FACULTY OF APPLIED HEALTH & COMMUNITY STUDIES

Practical Nursing

Sheridan’s Practical Nursing program is your first step to becoming a Registered Practical Nurse in Ontario.

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Prepare for a career in the growing field of health care.

Prevent for a career as a practical nurse

In this program, you’ll learn to:

• Help clients with nutrition, elimination, medication, safety, ambulation and hygiene.
• Chart patients’ progress and assess their conditions.
• Care for wounds, change dressings and give medication.
• Educate clients and promote health and wellbeing.
• Care for patients through all stages of a disease, including palliative care.

Clinical placements: Get hands-on experience

Hands-on experience is essential to prepare you for a career as a practical nurse. In this program, you’ll have clinical placements in long-term care facilities, acute and chronic care hospitals and more — starting in your first semester. In your final semester, you’ll participate in a 450-hour clinical placement, gaining on-the-job experience that will boost your resume and build your confidence.

* 2018 Key Performance Indicator (KPI) survey results produced by the Ontario Government, Colleges Ontario and student associations. Percentage shown reflects the average employer satisfaction across all Sheridan programs over the last five years.
Admission Requirements

Program Eligibility
Ontario Secondary School Diploma or equivalent, including these required courses:
• One English, Grade 12 (ENG4C or ENG4U) plus
• One Mathematics, Grade 12 (C or U) with a minimum of 70%
• Biology, Grade 11 (C or U)
• Chemistry, Grade 12 (C or U) or Chemistry, Grade 11 (U)
or
Mature student status.

Applicant Selection
Eligible applicants will be selected on the results of the Health Occupations Aptitude Exam (HOAE) and on the basis of their previous academic achievement (the average of their six highest senior-level credits, including required courses).

All applicants will be required to complete a mandatory standardized Health Occupations Aptitude Exam (HOAE) as part of the selection process. HOAE scores are valid for one year from the date the test was written. The HOAE cannot be completed more than once in a calendar year.

Applicants who do not meet the admission requirements for this program will be assessed and advised individually and may be considered for other, related programs.

English Language Proficiency
All applicants whose first language is not English must meet Sheridan’s English proficiency requirements.

Refer to the website for full admission requirements.

Career Opportunities
When you complete your Practical Nursing diploma program at Sheridan, you’ll be ready to join a health-care team in any setting where nursing is practiced.

Here Are Some Places You Might Work:
- Hospitals
- Independent practices
- Clinics
- Long-term care facilities
- Community Health Centres
- Medical equipment companies
- Family Health Teams

Courses
Some of the Courses You Can Expect to Take in Your Program:
- Family Care Nursing
- Mental Health Nursing
- Fundamentals of Practical Nursing
- Pharmacology for Nurses
- Human Anatomy and Physiology for Nurses
- Pre-graduate Clinical

Note: See website for specific terms and course listings.

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