Course Information Form (CIF)

Course Code: LPN 111

Course Title: Introduction to Nursing

Department: Nursing
PCS Code: 1.2 - Occupational/Technical Instruction
CIP Code: 51.3901
Repeatability: 0

Effective Date: Summer 2026

Credit Hours

Catalog Notation: 1-0-1
Credit Hour Distribution:

Lecture: 1	Lab: 0	Clinical: 0	**Total: 1**

General Course Information

Catalog Description

Emphasizes effective therapeutic communication, time management, and critical thinking skills. Legal and ethical considerations and confidentiality in nursing will also be incorporated.

General Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course students will understand basic communication skills, the role of the nurse, and basic legalities associated with care.

Minimum Placement Levels

English	Reading	Math
Placement out of ENG 099	Placement out of CCS 099	Placement out of MAT 072

Prerequisites

Concurrent enrollment in LPN 114 and LPN 117
Credit or concurrent enrollment in BIO 121
Admission into the LPN program

Methods of Evaluation

5-6 written assignments and 1-2 online discussion posts.

Instructional Materials and Additional Supplies

Nursing Leadership, Management, and Professional Practice for the LPN/LVN - ISBN 13-978-1719641487

Course Content

General Learning Outcomes (GLOs)

- Communication: Students will demonstrate the ability to read, write, listen, and speak effectively.
- Critical Thinking and Information Literacy: Students will demonstrate the ability to evaluate perspectives, evidence, and implications, and to locate, assess, and use information effectively.
- Global Awareness and Cultural Reasoning: Students will demonstrate their understanding of global issues, gender and sexual orientation, and multicultural perspectives.

Course Segments and Student Learning Outcomes

Course Segment	Learning Outcomes	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours
Introduction to Nursing	1. Discuss the history of nursing. 2. Identify the various roles of the nurse. 3. Develop own definition of nursing. 4. Identify professional standards of care.	3	0	0
Critical Thinking	1. Identify steps of critical thinking. 2. Complete a critical thinking appraisal. 3. Evaluate personal thinking skills. 4. Develop personal goals for thinking skill development.	3	0	0
Communication: Process, Health, Need; Nurse-Client Relationship	1. Identify factors that influence effective communication. 2. Distinguish between professional and social relationships. 3. Identify non-therapeutic responses and how these interfere with therapeutic communication.	2	0	0
Teaching-Learning Process; Health Teaching	1. Discuss the various types of learning styles. 2. Identify factors that facilitate and inhibit learning.	2	0	0
Legal Ethical Considerations	1. Describe the role of the student nurse. 2. Describe an ethical dilemma. 3. Discuss laws related to the practice of nursing and licensure. 4. Review and discuss the Illinois Nurse Practice Act. 5. Discuss and give examples of (un)professional and (un)ethical behaviors of nursing students/nurses in and out of the healthcare setting.	3	0	0
Values Clarification	1. Define values. 2. Participate in values clarification exercises.	2	0	0

Total Contact Hours

Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours
15	0	0