

Practical Nursing

The Practical Nursing program is comprised of two parts. First there is the pre-requisite portion of the program. Once students complete the prerequisites they would then turn in an application to the professional part of the program. Every student must first apply to CEI and be accepted to the pre-requisite part of the program. Regardless of whether they are a new student or are transferring from a different college.

Second students who complete the prerequisites they must turn in an application to the professional portion of the program. Candidates for admission into the professional portion are now selected based on available space, completion of packet, and the day and time your packet is received in Student Services. Applicants will turn packets in to Student Services in building 3 room 300, so packets can be time and date stamped. For an application to be complete CEI's admissions office must receive the following items:

- Application for Admission
- High School Transcript / GED, **official copies**, (waived if applicant has 16 or more transferable college credits)
- Transcripts from all post-secondary institutions attended, **official copies**
- Placement Tests for English and Math (ACT/SAT within 5 years, Gain, Accuplacer and previous college coursework may also be accepted depending on institution accreditation and age of credit)

A completed application does not guarantee you a spot in the upcoming semester. Each semester acceptance letters will be sent out to those students who are on top of the waitlist to fill the available spots in the program. If you are not selected for acceptance, your application will roll over to the next semester and you will not need to reapply to CEI.

Once you have completed the pre-requisites you will need to turn in an application packet to the professional portion of the program. You will need to meet the following minimum qualifications:

- C or better in all your pre-requisite coursework
- Teas Test 60 or higher

Some of the additional professional application requirements are as follows:

- Provide required immunizations records **it is recommended that you work on these early**
- Pass a criminal background **can take up to 6-8 weeks to complete**

Provided that you meet the minimum qualifications selection for the professional program is based on seniority and is not competitive. Depending on your seniority there may be some wait time before a spot is available in the professional portion of the program.

Professional application process: Practical Nurse

Professional applications can be found online at www.CEI.edu.

In order to submit an application to the professional portion of the Practical Nursing Program, students must complete the minimum qualifications.

Applications to the professional Practical Nursing program are only accepted during the first full week in April for the Fall and the Spring start. All required prerequisites must be completed by the end of the Spring semester. Applications who have not completed the classes or the classes in progress are not passed with the minimum grade passed will be disqualified. Applicants can be enrolled in required classes when the application is submitted, provided the classes are completed by the end of the semester.

Completed applications that meet the requirements will be considered for the professional portion of the program. Remember admission into the professional program is again based off of seniority.

Students accepted into the professional portion of the program will begin classes in the upcoming Fall or Spring semester.

Criminal Background checks:

Background checks are required to enter the professional portion of the program. If you have concerns about our background please contact Student Services, to discuss your situation.

Any student with a felony conviction within the past seven years will not be admitted to the nursing program. Convictions greater than seven years will be reviewed on a case by case basis in accordance to clinical site policy. Individuals who have been convicted of a misdemeanor related to but not limited to battery, assault, substance/alcohol abuse, or theft within the last 2 years will not be admitted to the nursing program. Any misdemeanor convictions greater than 2 years will be evaluated on a case by case basis taking into consideration the type of misdemeanor and repetitive offenses. CEI Nursing program will utilize the Background Check, Idaho Repository and clinical institution standards to evaluate these convictions. Students must meet all standards required by CEI and clinical institutions to be admitted and to remain in the nursing program.

This program is federal financial aid eligible.

Placement Scores:

Applicants must place into at least Math 100 Introduction to Algebra, and English 101 English Composition, to have math placement at CEI.

Below is a chart of common tests we can use for placement.

Placement Test	English Score	Math Score
Gain	820 or higher	670 or higher
Compass	68 or higher	45 or higher
ACT	18 or higher	16 or higher
SAT	451 or higher	391 or higher

Note: SAT scores have changed several times over the last few years. If you are unsure about your score please contact student services.

Tattoos and Piercings:

The school and potential employers recently agreed that tattoos are fine as long as they are not on the face, neck and are coverable.

Some local employers allow small stud nose rings but no mouth rings, other employers do not allow facial piercings at all



Having Tattoos and piercings will not necessarily keep you out of the nursing programs, but may make it very difficult to find a job. If you have specific questions about tattoos or piercings, please contact us and we can look into your specific situation.

Message from the program:

This program is considered full time, and is therefore very time consuming. It is not recommended that students work while enrolled in the professional portion of the program. If a student does work, it is recommend that they work part time or less and on weekends. Due to online requirements, having access to a reliable computer and internet is required. Immunizations are required by both CEI and Clinical locations. Students will be subject to random drug testing while in the program.

A message from the College:

Although every effort tis made to prepare you for what to expect in the RN program, such as financial investment, time investment, and stress load, there are things that our out of our control. Information provided on exterior program costs, such as book, scrubs, etc.... is done as a curtesy to help students estimate their college costs. These external expenses can and do change often and without notice to the school or the students, and should be considered.

Unfortunately for some students life circumstances interfere with their education. It is the responsibility of the student to follow/understand CEI's Policies & Procedures for such events. Once properly notified CEI will make every reasonable effort to help students succeed when and if they fall subject to unfortunate circumstances.

A message from current students:

“If you go on to get your RN, there are still a few prerequisites you will have to do when you switch programs.

When you finish the LPN, it's not a straight into the Rn professional portion”

“There is a lot of stuff to do online, having a good computer and internet at home is important.”

“Passing of skills requires a lot more time than I expected”

“The program takes more time than I thought it would”

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Advanced Technical Certificate 40-49Credits

Prerequisite Component

To be completed prior to entering the professional component of the program:

Option #1 (can be completed in on semester)

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| • HCT118 or CNA Certified Nurse Assistant Training | 0-4 | (complete ASAP) |
| • ENG 101 English Composition | 3 | |
| • HCT 101 Medical terminology | 2 | |
| • HCT 103 Fundamentals of Human Anatomy & Physiology | 3 | |
| • MAT 112 Mathematics for Health Professions | 3 | |

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Option #2

Recommended for students who want to advance to RN program.

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| • HCT 118 or CNA Certified Nurse Assistant Training | 0-4 | (complete ASAP) |
| • ENG 101 English Composition | 3 | |
| • HCT 101 Medical terminology | 2 | |
| • Bio 227 & 277L Human Anatomy & Physiology + Lab | 4 | |
| • Bio 228 & 228L Human Anatomy & Physiology + Lab | 4 | (Pre-req, Bio 227) |
| • MAT 108 Intermediate Algebra | 3 | (pre-req, Mat 100) |

Professional Component

To be completed in two semesters:

Term 1:

- NRS 117 Essential Fundamentals of Nursing 4
- NRS 117L Essential Fundamentals of Nursing Lab 2
- NRS 107 Introduction to Pharmacology 3
- NRS 143 Foundations of Medical/Surgical Nursing I 5
- HCT 125 Nutrition for Health Care Professionals 1

Term 2:

- NRS 144 Foundations of Mental Health Nursing 3
- NRS 207 Introduction to Maternal/Child Nursing 4
- NRS 230 Leadership for the Practical Nurse 2
- NRS 243 Foundations of Medical/Surgical Nursing II 5

LPN Program Cost

LPN Option 1 Prerequisites Courses			LPN Option 2 Prerequisites Courses			LPN Semester 1 Courses			LPN Semester 2 Courses			Program Totals		
Course #	Course Title	# of Credits	Course #	Course Title	# of Credits	Course #	Course Title	Course Title	# of Credits	Course #	Course Title	# of Credits	Option 1 Tuition	Option 2 Tuition
ENG 101	English Composition	3	BIO 227	A&P I	4	HCT 125	Nutrition for Health Care Pro.		1	NRS 144	Foundations of Mental Health...	2	Option 1 Books	\$383.75
HCT 101	Medical Terminology	2	BIO 227L	A &P Lab	0	NRS 107	Intro to Pharmacology		3	NRS 207	Intro to Maternal/Child Nursing	3	Option 1 Fees	\$1,319.00
HCT 103	Fundamentals of A&P	3	BIO 228	A&P II	4	NRS 117	Essential Fundamentals of Nursing		4	NRS 230	Leadership for the PN	2		\$2,994.75
HCT 118	Certified Nurse Assistant	4	BIO 228L	A&P II Lab	0	NRS 117L	Essential Fundamentals Lab		2	NRS 249	Foundations of Medical/Surgical	5		
MAT 112	Math for Health Professions	3	ENG 101	English Composition	3	NRS 143	Foundations of Medical/Surgical		5			12	Option 2 Tuition	\$2,464.00
		15	HCT 101	Medical Terminology	2				15				Option 2 Books	\$882.75
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Tuition for prerequisites (part time)			HCT 118			Tuition for Semester 1			LPN Semester 2 Books					
\$1,620.00			Certified Nursing Assistant			\$1,232.00								
Tuition for prerequisites (full time)			MAT 108			Intermediate Algebra			LPN Semester 1 Books					
\$1,232.00						20								
LPN Option 1 Prerequisites Books														
Course #	Book Title	Cost	Tuition for prerequisites (part time)			HCT 125			Williams' Essentials of Nutrition & D					
ENG 101	Back to the lake	\$54.25	Tuition for prerequisites (full time)			NRS 117			LPN Bundle (Custom)					
HCT 101	Medical Terminology System	\$75.75	LPN Option 2 Prerequisites Books			NRS 117			Foundations of Nursing					
HCT 103	Essen. Of A&P	\$61.00	Course #	Book Title	Cost	NRS 143			Adaptive Quizzing					
HCT 118	Nursing Assistant: A Founda...	\$55.50	BIO 227	Human Anatomy & Physiology	\$305.00	NRS 143			Mosby's Diagnostic & Lab					
HCT 118	Nursing Assistant: Wk&wk	\$17.75	BIO 228	Human Anatomy & Physiology	\$305.00	NRS 143			Mosby's Nursing Drug Handbook					
HCT 118	Basic Life Support (BLS) Pro...	\$18.00	ENG 101	Back to the lake	\$54.25	NRS 143			Med Surg Nursing					
HCT 118	Idaho CNA Skills Check Sheet	\$20.50	HCT 101	Medical Terminology System	\$75.75	LPN Semester 1 Fees								
MAT 112	The Nurse, the Math, the M...	\$81.50	HCT 118	Nursing Assistant: A Foundat...	\$55.50	Scrub			\$60.00					
		\$383.75	HCT 118	Nursing Assistant: Wk&wk	\$17.75	TEAS Test			\$65.00					
LPN Option 1 Prerequisites Fees			HCT 118	Basic Life Support (BLS) Provi...	\$18.00	Computer Fee			\$15.00					
		\$60.00	HCT 118	Idaho CNA Skills Check Sheet	\$20.50	TB test			\$35.00					
		\$52.00	MAT 108	Phoenix College- MAT12x: In...	\$111.50	HCP CPR			\$55.00					
		\$30.00			\$862.75	Physical			\$40.00					
		\$862.00	LPN Option 2 Prerequisites Fees			Background Check			\$39.50					
		\$40.00			\$40.00	IRIS fee			\$10.00					
		\$100.00			\$40.00	Drug and Alcohol Testing			\$40.00					
		\$55.00			\$52.00	SHIP Insurance			\$862.00					
		\$90.00			\$862.00	SHIP Insurance			\$15.00					
		\$20.00			\$175.00	NRS 107 Proctoring Fee			\$15.00					
		\$50.00			\$100.00	NRS 117L Lab Fee			\$10.00					
		\$1,319.00			\$10.00	NRS 117L Malpractice Insurance			\$15.00					
					\$55.00	NRS 117 Proctor Fee			\$486.00					
					\$50.00	NRS 107 Testing Fee			\$15.00					
					\$20.00	NRS 148 Proctor Fee			\$60.00					
					\$50.00	NRS 143 SIM Fee			\$1,997.50					
					\$1,369.00									

Is my CEI application Complete?

