

# BISMARCK STATE COLLEGE

## Dakota Nursing Program

### Year One – Practical Nursing Certificate

#### Curriculum Guide

#### Graduation Catalog 2009-2011

**PREREQUISITES FOR ENTRY INTO THE DAKOTA NURSING PROGRAM INCLUDE:**

- High School Diploma or GED
- Admission to Bismarck State College
- Proof of completing a CNA class and current North Dakota certification
- Current CPR Certification for Health Care Providers
- ENGL 110 - College Composition I or higher level ENGL with "C" or better
- CHEM 115/115L - Introductory Chemistry with "C" or better (co-requisite: student must have completed or are enrolled in MATH 102 or MATH 103 during course)
- High School Algebra/Beginning Algebra (ASC 92) or COMPASS/ASSET exam equivalent score (minimum writing score of 75 and a minimum reading score of 75) is required of students who have not completed 12 credits of classes included in the program requirements with a minimum GPA of 2.75
- Minimum GPA of 2.75 for all completed college courses that are requirements for the Dakota Nursing program.
- An overall minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 for all college courses taken
- "C" or better in all courses previously completed
- The following courses will need to be repeated **if older than 5 years** from class completion date: Anatomy and Physiology I/Lab and II/Lab, Developmental Psychology and Pharmacology
- Students who meet the prerequisites and whose file is complete are selected for a competitive entry interview
- Applications will be available January 15 - applications received after March 1 will be considered on available space

**YEAR I PRACTICAL NURSING CURRICULUM**

FALL		CR	GR
BIOL 220/220L	Anatomy & Physiology I/Lab *BIOL 126/126L pre-requisite	4	
PSYC 111	Introduction to Psychology	3	
NURS 120	Foundations of Nursing	3	
NURS 121	Practical Nursing I	3	
NURS 122	Clinical Practice I	3	
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>		<b>16</b>	

SUMMER		CR	GR
NURS 129	Practical Nursing III	4	
NURS 126	Clinical Practice III	3	
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>		<b>7</b>	

SPRING		CR	GR
BIOL 221/221L	Anatomy & Physiology II/Lab	4	
PSYC 250	Developmental Psychology	3	
PHRM 215	Introduction to Pharmacology	3	
NURS 127	Practical Nursing II: Introduction to Medical/Surgical Nursing	2	
NURS 145	Introduction to Maternal/Child Nursing	2	
NURS 124	Clinical Practice II	3	
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>		<b>17</b>	

<b>YEAR I TOTAL</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>TOTAL PREREQUISITE CREDITS</b>	<u><b>7</b></u>
<b>TOTAL PROGRAM CREDITS</b>	<b>47</b>

Upon successful completion of the above curriculum, student will receive a Certificate in Practical Nursing. At this time, students may choose to continue into Year 2 and/or apply to take the NCLEX PN examination with the Board of Nursing.