

Executive Summary

Practical Nursing/Registered Nursing Program Changes

Rationale:

Due to changes in the requirements of the Kansas State Board of Nursing (KSBN), Kansas Board of Regents (KBOR), Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) and the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), the Barton Community College nursing programs need to change their overall credit hours of its Practical Nursing (PN) program and its Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) program.

The changes for the PN program involve increasing the overall credit hours to a minimum of 45 credit hours to be classified as a Certificate 3 or C, by the KBOR. The changes for the ADN program involve decreasing the overall credit hours to be a maximum of 70 credit hours to achieve compliance with ACEN and HLC requirements.

Curriculum:

Changes for the PN program include:

- Eliminating Medical Terminology as a pre-requisite course
- Eliminating Computer Concepts and Applications as a pre-requisite course
- Including English Composition I as a pre-requisite course
- Including Public Speaking as a pre-requisite course
- Increasing Fundamentals of Nursing from four credit hours to five credit hours
- Increasing Medical Surgical Nursing I from four credit hours to five credit hours
- Increasing Pharmacology for Nurses from two credit hours to three credit hours
- Increasing PN Transition into Nursing Practice from one credit hour to two credit hours

Changes for the ADN program include:

- All of the PN program changes
- Eliminating Introduction to Sociology as a co-requisite course
- Decreasing RN Leadership and Management from three credit hours to two credit hours

Admission and Graduation Requirements:

- The general admission requirements for the program will stay the same with the exception of the pre-requisite and co-requisite course changes as described in the curriculum section of this summary.
- The AAS in Nursing will change as described in the curriculum section of this summary. The requirements for the Associate of Applied Science will be met with these changes.

Facilities:

- No facility changes would need to take place.

Resources:

- There would be no additional funding required for these changes. However, there would be a decrease in revenue due to the credit hour decrease.

Faculty:

- No additional faculty will be required for implementation of the proposed changes.

Approvals:

- These recommendations have been approved by the BCC Nursing Faculty.
- These recommendations have been approved by the BCC Nursing Advisory Board on April 4, 2014.
- The changes will need to be approved by the KSBN. This will be presented to the Education Committee at KSBN on June 17, 2014.
- The changes will need to be approved through the college's CAM process.
- These changes will need to be finally approved by ACEN.
- Once final approval is received, the changes will be implemented in August 2015.

**Barton Community College
Practical Nursing Program**

Current		Proposed	
Requirements (Pre-Requisites)	Credit	Requirements (Pre-Requisites)	Credit
LIFE 1408 Anatomy & Physiology	5	LIFE 1408 Anatomy & Physiology	5
MDAS 1672 Medical Terminology	3	PSYC 1000 General Psychology	3
PSYC 1000 General Psychology	3	PSYC 1014 Developmental Psychology	3
PSYC 1014 Developmental Psychology	3	ENGL 1204 English Composition I	3
BSTC 1036 Computer Concepts & App.	3	COMM 1230 Public Speaking	3
Total General Education	17	Total General Education	17
Required PN Nursing Courses	Credit	Required PN Nursing Courses	Credit
NURS 1206 Fundamentals of Nursing	4	NURS 1206 Fundamentals of Nursing	5
NURS 1255 Medical Surgical Nursing I	4	NURS 1255 Medical Surgical Nursing I	5
NURS 1207 Mental Health Nursing I	2	NURS 1207 Mental Health Nursing I	2
NURS 1228 Pharmacology for Nurses	2	NURS 1228 Pharmacology for Nurses	3
NURS 1258 Maternal Child Nursing I	3	NURS 1258 Maternal Child Nursing I	3
NURS 1210 Gerontological Nursing	2	NURS 1210 Gerontological Nursing	2
NURS 1256 Medical Surgical Nursing II	6	NURS 1256 Medical Surgical Nursing II	6
NURS 1265 PN Transition into Nursing Practice	1	NURS 1265 PN Transition into Nursing Practice	2
Total Nursing Courses	24	Total Nursing Courses	28
Total Credit Hours	41	Total Credit Hours	45

**Barton Community College
Associate Degree Program
Associate in Applied Science**

Current		Proposed	
Requirements (Pre-Requisites)	Credit	Requirements (Pre-Requisites)	Credit
LIFE 1408 Anatomy & Physiology	5	LIFE 1408 Anatomy & Physiology	5
MDAS 1672 Medical Terminology	3	PSYC 1000 General Psychology	3
PSYC 1000 General Psychology	3	PSYC 1014 Developmental Psychology	3
PSYC 1014 Developmental Psychology	3	ENGL 1204 English Composition I	3
BSTC 1036 Computer Concepts & App.	3	COMM 1230 Public Speaking	3
Total General Education	17	Total General Education	17
Required Co-Requisite	Credit	Required Co-Requisite	Credit
ENGL 1204 English Composition I	3	LIFE 1412 Principles of Microbiology	5
COMM 1230 Public Speaking	3		
SOCI 1100 Intro to Sociology	3		
LIFE 1412 Principles of Microbiology	5		
Required ADN Nursing Courses	Credit	Required ADN Nursing Courses	Credit
NURS 1206 Fundamentals of Nursing	4	NURS 1206 Fundamentals of Nursing	5
NURS 1255 Medical Surgical Nursing I	4	NURS 1255 Medical Surgical Nursing I	5
NURS 1207 Mental Health Nursing I	2	NURS 1207 Mental Health Nursing I	2
NURS 1228 Pharmacology for Nurses	2	NURS 1228 Pharmacology for Nurses	3
NURS 1258 Maternal Child Nursing I	3	NURS 1258 Maternal Child Nursing I	3
NURS 1210 Gerontological Nursing	2	NURS 1210 Gerontological Nursing	2
NURS 1256 Medical Surgical Nursing II	6	NURS 1256 Medical Surgical Nursing II	6
NURS 1265 PN Transition into Nursing Practice	1	NURS 1265 PN Transition into Nursing Practice	2
NURS 1257 Medical Surgical Nursing III	6	NURS 1257 Medical Surgical Nursing III	6
NURS 1259 Maternal Child Nursing II	3	NURS 1259 Maternal Child Nursing II	3
NURS 1264 RN Leadership & Management	3	NURS 1264 RN Leadership & Management	2
NURS 1208 Mental Health Nursing II	4	NURS 1208 Mental Health Nursing III	4
NURS 1261 Medical Surgical Nursing IV	5	NURS 1261 Medical Surgical Nursing IV	5
Total Nursing Courses	51	Total Nursing Courses	48
Total Credit Hours	76	Total Credit Hours	70