



FLEX PRACTICAL NURSING

Licensed practical nurses give basic therapeutic, rehabilitative and preventive care to patients under the guidance of registered nurses and physicians. They have the fundamental health science knowledge and technical skills needed to organize and offer care interventions for common medical conditions. They accept responsibility, follow orders precisely, determine when consultation is required and are committed to lifelong learning.

OCtech's Practical Nursing diploma program prepares you for interdisciplinary collaboration, compassionate holistic care, legal and ethical accountability, and reliable clinical judgement while providing safe patient care. We assist you in developing the intellectual and practical abilities necessary to be a good nurse. Our on-campus simulation and skills labs coupled with off-site clinical experiences give you essential hands-on learning opportunities that expound classroom concepts. Upon graduation, you'll be ready for the National Council Licensing Examination for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN) and prepared to provide excellent care to patients in our community and beyond.



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**OUR GRADUATES ARE HIGHLY SOUGHT
AFTER TO WORK LOCALLY AND STATEWIDE**

start here
**PRE-NURSING
PN CERTIFICATE**
2 Semesters/23 Hours

Take these classes first

- BIO 210 Anatomy and Physiology I
- ENG 101 English Composition
- MAT 101 Beginning Algebra
- BIO 211 Anatomy and Physiology II
- PSY 201 General Psychology
- Healthcare Certification

FALL 2026 ACCEPTANCE

**EARLY ACCEPTANCE
JANUARY 26 - FEBRUARY 19
NOTIFIED BY MARCH 20**

- **OPEN: APRIL 6**
- **DEADLINE: MAY 14**
- **NOTIFIED BY JUNE 26**

SPRING 2027 ACCEPTANCE

- **OPEN: AUGUST 24**
- **DEADLINE: OCTOBER 1**
- **NOTIFIED BY OCTOBER 30**

PN FLEX ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- **APPLY and get accepted to OCtech.**
 Send in ALL official transcripts.
Transcripts take up to two weeks to be received and evaluated.
- **COMPLETE the following general education requirements with a minimum grade of C or higher and a 3.0 calculated GPA.**
 - BIO 210/211 (within 7 years)
 - ENG 101
 - MAT 101 or higher
 - PSY 201
- **HAVE a 2.5 cumulative GPA from the last college attended where 12 or more credit hours were completed (not including developmental or remedial courses).**
- **MEET one of the following criteria:**
 - SAT: 480 in Math AND either 26 in Reading or 480 in Reading/Writing
 - ACT: 19 in Reading and 17 in Math
 - TEAS: 65 in both Reading and Math (within 5 years)
 - Accuplacer Next-Gen: 250 in Reading and 237 in Math QAS (within 5 years)
- **HAVE a current CNA, EMT, MA, Paramedic or PCT certification/license OR certificate of completion from an accredited program within 7 years of program start date.**
Other healthcare certifications may be accepted at the discretion of the Dean of Nursing.

You must pass a national background check and drug test upon acceptance to the program and before starting classes. Clinical sites may require additional background and drug testing during the course of your enrollment. Prior criminal convictions may affect your clinical placement and eligibility for licensure.

Applicants who have had 2 or more Nursing and Health Science program attempts (withdrawal and/or failure) within 1 year of the program start date are ineligible to apply.

EARLY ACCEPTANCE

MEET all admission requirements above
HAVE a minimum score of 30 points

We encourage you to apply for our Health Science and Nursing programs when you are most competitive. After being accepted as a student at OCtech, meet with an advisor for guidance on completing the competitive application process. The competitive application can be found in Self-Service under the Academics tab.

Please ensure that you complete the entire application packet. Incomplete packets will be rejected, and you will be unable to resubmit your application in the same application period.

SELECTIVE RANKING SCORE SHEET

ENG 101

5 POINTS = A
3 POINTS = B
2 POINTS = C
0 POINTS = less than C

POINTS

MAT 101 OR HIGHER

5 POINTS = A
3 POINTS = B
2 POINTS = C
0 POINTS = less than C

POINTS

PSY 201

5 POINTS = A
3 POINTS = B
2 POINTS = C
0 POINTS = less than C

POINTS

BIO 210 ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY

must retake if more than 7 years old

10 POINTS = A
8 POINTS = B
6 POINTS = C
0 POINTS = less than C
8 POINTS = E (exemption exam)

POINTS

PREVIOUS EDUCATION

10 POINTS

degree in a science or healthcare field

POINTS

5 POINTS

degree in a non-science or non-healthcare field

POINTS

5 POINTS

Pre-Nursing PN or ADN certificate from OCtech

MULTIPLE POINTS NOT AWARDED FOR MORE THAN ONE CREDENTIAL OR DEGREE

POINTS

RESIDENCY

5 POINTS

Calhoun or Orangeburg county resident

POINTS

0 POINTS

Non-resident

TOTAL POINTS

MAXIMUM POSSIBLE SCORE = 40 Points



We are accredited by ACEN – the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing.

