

Campus Location

Lemley Campus, Health Sciences Center

Occupational Focus

Nationwide shortages in the nursing profession have increased the demand for Licensed Practical Nurses. Tulsa Tech's Practical Nursing program is accredited by the National League for Nursing and is approved by the Oklahoma Board of Nursing. The program prepares individuals to function as a skilled member of the health care team and is an intense program designed for delivering care to people of all ages and diverse cultures. Students will study human anatomy, physiology, and factors that affect health. Students will develop the basic nursing skills necessary to care for individuals throughout the health and wellness continuum. The curriculum includes the Patient Care theory combined with computer and nursing skills. The clinical component of the program provides experiences that allow students to apply skills learned in the classroom into various hospital and community settings. Upon completion of the program, students will be prepared to sit for the National Licensure exam. After passing the licensure exam, graduates will have the skills necessary to work as a Licensed Practical Nurse. For information concerning working conditions, physical requirements, employment and job outlook please refer to the Occupational Outlook Handbook (OOH), 2010-11 Edition at <http://www.bls.gov/oco/>.

Who Can Attend?

Adults

Scheduling Information

The program is 1463 hours of contact time in length. Both the daytime and the evening programs are offered with varying start dates. The daytime program takes approximately 13 months to complete. The evening program can be completed in approximately 15 months. Call Admissions and Enrollment at 918.828.5260 for specific start dates. Daytime classes meet Monday through Friday from 7:55 am to 2:40 pm. Evening classes meet Monday through Thursday from 3:30 pm to 9:30 pm.

Tuition

Adult - \$2.50/hour*

**Tuition subject to change without notice*

Books/Supplies

Approximately \$1,550 (subject to change). Lab fees - \$75

Entrance Requirements

- Adult students only
- High school diploma or G.E.D.
- Basic computer literacy
- In this career major, students that do not currently have Medical Terminology and Anatomy & Physiology credit will begin Medical Terminology and Anatomy & Physiology classes approximately 6-8 weeks prior to beginning the rest of their career major classes. Contact the Health Information Line at 828-1216 for exact dates and times.
- Practical Nursing students that do not currently have certification as a Long Term Care Nurse Assistant (LTCNA) or Home Health Nurse Assistant (HHNA) or Advanced Unlicensed Assistant (AUA) will begin classes approximately 6-8 weeks prior to the beginning of program classes to obtain a CNA certification.

Additional Requirements

Prior to the start of the clinical practicum, students must:

- Undergo a criminal background check including sex offender registration as required by the Oklahoma Child Care Facilities Licensing Act that requires individuals providing care to children under the age of 18 to be free of any criminal history that would indicate a potential for violent abuse against another person. There is a \$49 fee for adults.
- Provide verification of immunizations through vaccination records, titer (blood test) results, or declination statements. A list of specific immunizations may be obtained through the Health Sciences Center by calling 828-1216.
- Have a current American Heart Association CPR for the Healthcare Provider card.
- Provide transportation to clinical sites.
- Adult students must pay a \$22 liability insurance fee for clinicals.

Career Majors

Licensed Practical Nurse - 1463 Hours*

Core Medical Terminology, Anatomy and Physiology as well as Long Term Care Assistant are included in this career major. This career major prepares the student to become a licensed practical nurse, an important member of the health care team who works under the supervision or direction of a registered nurse, licensed physician or dentist. Students will learn the role of the LPN and how to care for a variety of patients including geriatric, pediatric, oncology, and pre/post operative patients. Students will learn how to identify patient problems, identify appropriate interventions and evaluate nursing care. Graduates of this career major will be eligible take the NCLEX-PN and become licensed through the Board of Nursing.

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College Credit

College credit is available for the majority of Tulsa Tech's full-time programs through Rogers State University, Oklahoma State University-IT or Tulsa Community College. Advanced standing credit may also be granted for some of our programs. The number of hours varies depending on the program length, the college granting the credit, and the student's plan of study. Check with your Tulsa Tech counselor for more information.

Credentials/Industry Certifications

Graduates of this state-approved program are eligible to apply to write the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) for (registered or practical) nurses. Applicants for Oklahoma licensure must meet all state and federal requirements to hold an Oklahoma license to practice nursing. In addition to completing a state-approved nursing education program that meets educational requirements and successfully passing the licensure examination, requirements include submission of an application for licensure, a criminal history records search, and evidence of citizenship or qualified alien status. Applicants for practical nurse licensure must also hold a high school diploma or a graduate equivalency degree (G.E.D.) [59 O.S. §567.5 & 567.6]. To be granted a license, an applicant must have the legal right to be in the United States (United States Code Chapter 8, Section 1621). In addition, Oklahoma law only allows a license to be issued to U.S. citizens, U.S. nationals, and legal permanent resident aliens. Other qualified aliens may be issued a temporary license that is valid until the expiration of their visa status, or if there is no expiration date, for one year. Applicants who are qualified aliens must present to the Board office, in person, valid documentary evidence of:

- A valid, unexpired immigrant or nonimmigrant visa status for admission into the United States;
- A pending or approved application for asylum in the United States;
- Admission into the United States in refugee status;
- A pending or approved application for temporary protected status in the United States; Board Approved: 7/92 OBN Policy/Guideline: #E-05 Board Reviewed w/o Revision: Page 2 of 2 Revised: 9/01; 5/04; 1/25/05; 11/13/07; 5/25/10 H:/SEllis/Executive/Policies/Education/SchBulletins
- Approved deferred action status; or
- A pending application for adjustment of status to legal permanent resident status or conditional resident status. The Board has the right to deny a license to an individual with a history of criminal background, disciplinary action on another health-related license or certification, or judicial declaration of mental incompetence [59 O.S. §567.8]. These cases are considered on an individual basis at the time application for licensure is made, with the exception of felony convictions. An individual with a felony conviction cannot apply for licensure for at least five years after completion of all sentencing terms, including probation and suspended sentences, unless a presidential or gubernatorial pardon is received [59 O.S. §567.5 & 567.6].

Employment Opportunities

Licensed Practical Nurse, Certified Nurse Assistant, Advanced Unlicensed Assistant

Financial Aid

Scholarships are available for eligible students. Call 918.828.5280 or email financialaid@tulsatech.org. For the most up-to-date and complete information on scholarships and grants please visit www.tulsatech.edu.

Application Process

Adult application packets are available in the counseling offices on each Tulsa Tech campus. For any questions regarding the application process, contact Tulsa Tech Admissions and Enrollment office at 918.828.5260, email admissions@tulsatech.org or check out our website at www.tulsatech.edu.

NOTE: Some programs have additional admissions criteria. For specific program requirements and applicable prerequisites, contact Admissions at 918.828.5260.

Courses by Career Majors

Licensed Practical Nurse - 1463 Hours*

Long Term Care Nurse Assist Course
Anatomy and Physiology I
Anatomy and Physiology II
Core Medical Terminology
Concepts of Nursing
Fundamentals of Nursing
Pharmacology and IV Therapy Skills
Clinical 1 - Basic Nursing
Medical Surgical Nursing I
Clinical 2A - Med Surg Nursing I
Clinical 2B - Med Surg Nursing I
Speciality Theory A
Speciality Clinical A
Medical Surgical Nursing II
Clinical 3a - Med Surg Nursing II
Clinical 3b - Med Surg Nursing II
Speciality Theory B
Speciality Clinical B
Transition to Practice
Speciality Theory C
Speciality Clinical C
Clinical 5 - Transition to Practice

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Tulsa Tech is accredited by the Oklahoma Department of Education, the Oklahoma Board of Career & Technology, & the North Central Association--Commission on Accreditation & School Improvement.

Also, where available, our programs are accredited by the specific industry standards associated with their industry.

To remain current with the demands of business and industry, curriculum is periodically revised. The revision may change the number of Tulsa Tech classes that apply toward the college credit. The number of credit hours identified in the agreement the year the student completes the class will determine the credit hours the student receives. Conditions are based on the actual agreements and are subject to change annually.