



## Practical Nursing (5657) | Career Certificate

### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Practical Nursing Career Certificate (C.C.) program is designed to create competent, ethical, confident entry-level health care practitioners committed to professional development through lifelong learning in a positive, non-discriminatory and supportive learning environment. As part of this selective access program, students will participate in clinical rotations at area health facilities.

A satisfactory score on the Health Education Systems, Inc. exit examination (HESI EXIT by Elsevier) is required before graduation from the program.

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- High school diploma or high school equivalent
- Submit completed program application by published deadlines (see reverse)
- Submit TABE scores (or documentation of exemption)
- Physical examination
- Current CPR certification - adult, child and infant (through an American Heart Association approved Basic Life Support (BLS) Course for Health Care Providers, that includes hands on simulated experiences)
- Provide HESI admission assessment A2 scores. Only average scores of 75% or better will be considered.
- Submit current Health Education Systems, Inc. Admission Assessment (HESI A2/ Elsevier A2 Preadmission Test) scores
- Check the catalog to learn about all course and program prerequisites

*This program is aligned with the Florida Department of education and prepares students for the Florida Board of Nursing National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nursing (NCLEX-PN).*

### AT-A-GLANCE

- **1,350 Clock/Contact Hours**
- **Financial Aid Eligible**
- **Limited Access** – Certain admission requirements must be met to be considered for this competitive program.
- **Face-to-Face Courses**
- **License:** Licensed Practical Nurse

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Apply online at [fscj.edu/admissions](https://fscj.edu/admissions).

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### When can I start?

FSCJ enrolls students year-round.  
 Application Deadline:  
 Fall Term – May 15  
 Spring Term – September 15  
 Summer Term – February 15

### Where are the educational courses held?

General education courses are offered at any of FSCJ's campuses and centers, as well as online. The professional core courses for this program are offered at FSCJ North Campus.

### What is the cost of the program?

Many students attending FSCJ qualify for financial aid, which can greatly reduce out-of-pocket expenses. This program is Federal financial aid eligible. *The approximate cost of tuition and fees is \$3,942\**

Besides tuition and fees, students have to pay for things like living expenses, transportation, supplies and books. Book costs vary widely by program and course selection as well as choice of electives; students are encouraged to budget about \$60 per credit hour.

*\*Tuition reflects Florida resident rates and are subject to change. Certain classes that require labs may have additional fees for lab supplies. Additional fees are published in the class schedule.*

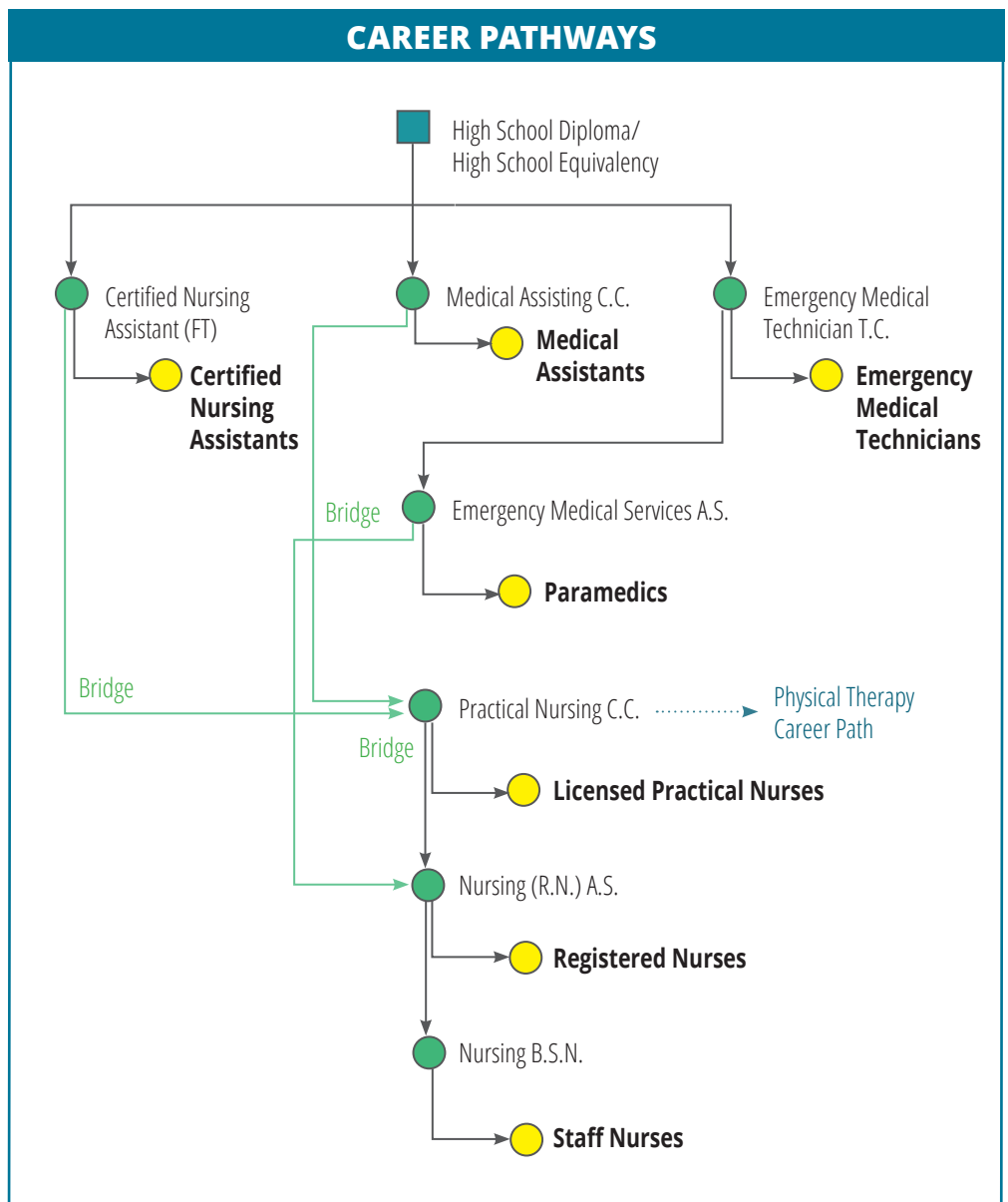
### What other programs are related to the field?

Students who have an interest in the Practical Nursing (C.C.) may also be interested in the following FSCJ programs:

- Nursing (B.S.N.)
- Nursing (R.N.) (A.S.)
- Bridge Option: Nursing (R.N.) (Bridge Option for Paramedics and Licensed Practical Nurses) (A.S.)

### Where can I get more information about potential careers?

Research local job opportunities, wage data, career paths and market trends at [fscj.emsicareercoach.com](http://fscj.emsicareercoach.com).



## JOB PROFILE

### Licensed Practical Nurses

Duval and Nassau Counties

Local employment .....	3,265
Number of job openings .....	318/year
10-year job growth .....	19%

Expected salaries by area and occupation may be found at [bls.gov](http://bls.gov)

#### Potential employers:

- Brooks Rehabilitation
- Brookdale
- Consulate Health Care
- OPIS Senior Services Group
- PSA Healthcare