VETERAN to Nurse

Idaho Median Income
National $39,547 $43,178

DEGREE OPTIONS
Practical Nursing
Advanced Technical Certificate 1.5 years
Associate of Science in Nursing 2 years

ELIGIBILITY
Must be a U.S. Military Veteran with medic or corpsmen training and experience.
Experience will be assessed on an individual basis.
Program Prerequisites

Prior Military Health Care Service
Current Health Care Provider CPR card (AHA).

The following courses or their equivalents must be completed prior to the start of the program:

- BT 01710 Introduction to Computers
- or INFO 1101 Digital Information Literacy
- or LLIB 1115 Introduction of Information Research
- HO 0106 Medical Terminology
- or HCA 2210 Medical Terminology and Communication
- or HE 2210 Medical Terminology and Communication
- NTD 3340 Nutrition for Health Professionals
- PSCY 1101 Introduction to General Psychology

Select one of the following:

- HO 0111 Introduction to Anatomy and Physiology
- or
- BIOL 3301 & 3301L Anatomy and Physiology and Lab
- and BIOL 3302 & 3302L Anatomy and Physiology and Lab

Program Requirements

- PNUR 0150 Pharmacology
- PNUR 0151 Nursing Fundamentals
- PNUR 0152 Medical Surgical Nursing
- PNUR 0153 Maternal and Child Nursing
- PNUR 0154 Issues in Nursing
- PNUR 0155 Nursing Fundamentals Practicum
- PNUR 0156 Medical Surgical Nursing Practicum
- PNUR 0157 Maternal and Child Nursing Practicum
- PNUR 0158 Issues in Nursing Practicum

Credits for Military coursework and field experience.

Program Description

The Veteran to Nurse program cohort option is an extension of the already-existing Practical Nursing program within the College of Technology. This program recognizes and awards credit for previous healthcare knowledge and experience gained by military veterans, and offers a veteran-friendly cohort-based bridge curriculum that will accelerate a veteran's progress to a nursing credential.

Following a comprehensive assessment and advising process, veterans will be placed into variable credit courses. These courses will augment the veterans' healthcare training and experience in five areas of nursing practice. After completing the program, veterans will receive an ATC (Advanced Technical Certificate) in Practical Nursing and be eligible to sit for the NCLEX-PN exam.

The Veteran to Nurse cohort option will include on-line learning and face-to-face lab and clinical experiences. Once the cohort option is developed and running smoothly, it will become part of the new distributive, hybrid model of PTE instruction in Idaho, and available to any post-secondary institution within the state, with online lectures emanating from one location, but being available to students state-wide. The lab and clinical portions of the course will be managed locally by each respective institution.

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