RN Refresher/Remediation Course
(approved by the Florida Board of Nursing)

Open to inactive RN's reactivating their FL license or nursing candidates who have not passed the NCLEX exam in 3 attempts.

You may enroll in this course AFTER you have arranged your clinical site.

This course may be taken by applicants who have not passed their NCLEX exam after three attempts, or nurses who have not had an active license for the past five years, and who are applying for endorsement based on having passed the NCLEX. Applicants required to take a remedial course will need to contact the Board Office at (850) 245-4125, ext. 3615 and request a letter of authorization prior to enrollment.

Prior to registering for the course, the student must make arrangements with a hospital to provide a medical surgical clinical site and preceptor for 96 hours.

You will need to make your own arrangements for the clinical. We recommend updating your resume and make an appointment with the nurse recruiter at the hospital you would like to work with upon completion of the course. Although there is no guarantee, it is a win-win situation if they see you as a potential employee and you view them as a potential employer.

When you have a hospital contact, email their name, email address and phone along with a copy of your resume to Kerwin.Denise@spcollege.edu

Once your clinical and an affiliation agreement is confirmed, you will be able to register for the course with a VISA or Master Card. Payment is due at registration and textbooks and clinical requirements are extra.

Catalog Description:

The RN Remediation Course is a theory and clinical experience designed to assist the student in applying the nursing process and other essential skills to the care of clients experiencing common health alterations. The course focuses on the nurse attempting to pass the NCLEX. Clinical emphasis is placed on the management of clients in an acute care setting such as a hospital. Students are required to complete all components of this course.

Purpose of the Course:

The purpose of this course is to assist nurses to pass the NCLEX examination. It is also recommended that students take the Clinical Skills Lab, IV Therapy 30 Hour and the 10 Minute Physical Assessment course offered by SPC.

Contact Hours:

- 130 hours of didactic on the Internet
- 96 hours of clinical in an acute care setting, such as the hospital, with a preceptor.
Required Texts:


You may order your textbooks directly online from any book supplier using the ISBN number. If you wish to order your textbooks from Greenville Technical College, the contact information for the bookstore is 864 250-8173; 800-723-0673 – extension 8173.

Do not order textbooks until you are registered for course.

Recommended Texts:


Methods of Instruction:

- Assigned Readings
- Online lecture
- Clinical hospital experience with preceptor.

Learning Environment:

Course content will be online. You may access the online class at home on your PC. Many local libraries have computers with Internet access also. You do not need to be a computer expert to take this online course. In addition, the student will arrange to provide a medical-surgical clinical site to complete their 96 hours of preceptored hospital experience.
Evaluation:

- Module examinations online
- Clinical Evaluation

The didactic portion of the course will be evaluated on unit exams which will be administered upon completion of the each module. All module exams must be completed within 90 days of the student’s start date which begins when log in and password is received. The nurse will be given two attempts to successfully pass each exam. The student must achieve a passing score on each examination to pass the course. A one-time 30 day extension may be granted (new fee charged) if the student has not completed at the end of their 90 days. If the student does not complete after the 30 day one time extension, they will be eligible to retake the course (new fee charged) one time only (no further extensions) at the next course offering date. The hospital experiences are graded on a pass/fail basis. All classroom material must be completed before the clinical rotation can begin. The student must achieve a passing score on each of the unit exams and successfully complete the clinical component. If the student is unsuccessful he/she will not pass the course. A clinical evaluation is completed by the hospital preceptor.

An unsatisfactory evaluation or dismissal from the clinical site will result in the student failing the course. There will be no further opportunity to retake this course with SPC/Greenville College.

Objectives:

Upon completion the student should function as providers of care, managers of care, and members within the discipline of nursing as they:

1. Integrate the nursing process as a framework for the management of care of clients and families. The student will be able to assess the client and family, analyze the data, form a nursing diagnosis, develop and implement a nursing plan of care with goals and outcome criteria, evaluate the plan of care, and make changes to the plan of care as needed to restore the health of the client or to provide the client with respectable end of life care.

2. Apply organizational and interpersonal communication strategies in managing the care of clients, families, And other health care workers. This includes effectively reporting and recording patient assessment information and plan of care and integrating teaching and learning strategies for client and family education.
3. Integrate cultural, spiritual, psychological, and developmental influences when managing client care.

4. Integrate the principals of pharmacology safely and competently when providing client care. This includes being knowledgeable of actions, side effects, doses, and precautions of commonly prescribed medications as well as safe administration of oral, parenteral, and intravenous medications.

5. Integrate the principles of safety when providing care to clients and families.

6. Incorporate the principles of nutrition for maintaining optimal healthcare for clients and families.

7. Value legal, ethical, and professional parameters when managing client care.

**Expectations:**
The student is expected to attend all web sessions and clinical hours. The student is expected to find their clinical site prior to registering for this course. Students are expected to attend all clinical hours once assigned, and attend the first 96 hours their preceptor is scheduled. In case of an emergency, it is the student's responsibility to call the unit and Mrs. Kerwin, and inform them that he/she will not be attending clinical. The student will arrange a make-up date with his/her preceptor.

**Clinical Requirements:**

**Clinical site must be located prior to registering for the course.**

Site must be a hospital that will provide a medical surgical acute care experience.

Units NOT APPROVED for preceptorship include:

- Operating Room
- Emergency Room
- Labor and Delivery
- Mom/Baby
- Intensive Care areas
Clinical Requirements:

DO NOT complete the requirements below until you have registered and paid for the course as they need to be current.

Must be completed at least two weeks before completion of online study.

It is the responsibility of the student to provide all clinical requirements to Ms. Kerwin at least 2 weeks prior to the completion of the online course.

You will not be allowed to participate in clinical without completing the following:

- Proof of health insurance
- Current Healthcare provider CPR certification
- Current PPD or Chest X-ray if PPD is positive
- Rubella and Rubeola titer
- Varicella titer
- Physical Exam or statement of health from primary care provider - Health Examination Form (THIS IS THE ONLY ACCEPTABLE PHYSICAL EXAMINATION FORM)
- Core Performance Standards
- Background check - St. Petersburg College - Healthcare Student Background Check (THIS IS THE ONLY ACCEPTABLE BACKGROUND CHECK FORM)
- Student is responsible for any additional tests/titers/documentation required by the hospital

Once you have completed and passed all unit exams, paperwork will be submitted to the hospital contact person to arrange your clinical dates. This is usually accomplished in 5-10 working days. When the hospital has verified orientation and preceptor, you may begin your clinicals. Clinicals must be completed the first 96 hours your preceptor is scheduled. A clinical experience WILL NOT be allowed until all clinical requirements have been submitted to St. Petersburg College. If you are a remedial student it is expected you will take the State Board Exam within 45 days of course completion.
If you have not completed your clinical experience, you will NOT pass the course. There will be no further opportunity to retake this course with SPC/Greenville Technical College.

Once you have completed your clinical rotation and we receive your completed paperwork, we will issue your certificate of completion. If you are a remedial student, the Florida State Board will be notified that you are eligible to retake the exam. If you are seeking re-activation of your license or seeking endorsement from another state the Board of Nursing will be notified of your course completion.

**Florida State Board of Nursing:** 850-245-4125

Please email Mrs. Kerwin the name, telephone and email address of your contact for your clinicals and your resume prior to scheduling the telephone interview. The hospital must provide clinical confirmation before you can register for the course. Once confirmed, you will be contacted for a telephone interview. At that time, you may pay using a Visa or Master Card.

**Textbooks and clinical requirements are extra.**