



**ST. CLAIR COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS & TECHNOLOGY**  
**WINDSOR CAMPUS**

# **PRACTICAL NURSE PROGRAM**

**YEAR 2**

**FALL 2023**

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# Welcome to Year 2 of the Practical Nursing Program!

*Here is some information to help you prepare for your return in September.*

## IMPORTANT DATES:

- **August 1, 2023** – Deadline for medical and nonmedical clinical clearance items in order to attend clinical.
- **Classes begin** Tuesday September 5, 2023
- **PNR 316 Orientation** – Either Tuesday September 5 (Monday Clinical groups) or Thursday September 7 (Thursday Clinical groups) all day, 0800-1600
- **Thanksgiving Holiday** – Monday, October 9, 2023
- **Exam Week** – Monday December 11 – Friday December 15, 2023. Students are expected to be available for all the days during exam week as exams are scheduled at different times and dates. Please do not book appointments or vacation during this week.
- **PNR 513 Orientation** – Date TBA. Students must be available for mandatory agency orientations.

## **Who's here to help:**

**Monica Staley Liang** is the Dean of Nursing and Health Sciences and the Chair for the School of Nursing. Her office is located on the 3rd floor of the CAHS, in room 3314a. She is always happy to address any questions or concerns students may have. Her email is [mstaleyliang@stclaircollege.ca](mailto:mstaleyliang@stclaircollege.ca)

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## MEDICAL AND NONMEDICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR CLINICAL PLACEMENT

Clinical begins the first week back in Year Two of the Practical Nursing Program and clinical clearance is required before any student can attend the clinical setting. There are medical and non-medical requirements that must be met. Please refer to the [Clinical Placement Requirements](#) website under the Practical Nursing (H863/K963) link for detailed information. Your requirements will be clearly explained there as well as the process to electronically submit your documents for clearance. This process may take weeks to complete so please begin promptly.

### TEXTBOOKS

It is important for students to have access to the required textbooks for each course to ensure success in each course. The Elsevier Clinical Learning Suite will continue to be utilized in your courses.

- PNR 308 - Leifer (2020). *Introduction to Maternity and Pediatric Nursing in Canada (1<sup>st</sup> Canadian Edition)*.
- PNR 309 - Lewis et al. (2022). *Medical-Surgical Nursing in Canada (5<sup>th</sup> Canadian Edition)*.
- PNR 315 - Stanhope et al. (2021). *Community Health Nursing in Canada (4<sup>th</sup> Canadian Edition)*.

### BLACKBOARD

Check blackboard for **PNR 316** mid-August for any posted information or updates. The nursing student will be automatically enrolled in this resource once they are fully registered.

Check Blackboard and emails at least **twice a day**. Blackboard courses are generally activated a week prior to the start of the semester.

- If you are having difficulty accessing your blackboard account (and you have completed your acknowledgements on the SIS) or email, please contact the IT department at ext. 3275 or 3276 or use the “Quick Links” found on the St. Clair College home page at the following link: <https://www.stclaircollege.ca/it-services>
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### CLINICAL GROUPS

- Students will be placed at Windsor Regional Hospital Met Campus, Ouellette Campus, or Hotel Dieu Grace Healthcare on a medical, complex medical, surgical, palliative, mental health, or rehabilitative unit in Year 2.

### SEMESTER 3 CLINICAL (PNR 316)

- Clinical will be as your schedule indicates on the SIS. There will be:
  - 8-hour shifts – days (0700 – 1500h) or evenings (1500 – 2300h)
  - Simulation labs (med/surg, palliative & mental health)
  - Crisis Intervention training
- Information will be posted on blackboard in August
- Lab is part of clinical, therefore students are expected to follow the uniform policy as per clinical.

### SEMESTER 5 CLINICAL (PNR 513)

- 5<sup>th</sup> semester is a 400-hour (40 hour/wk X10 weeks) placement with a preceptor.
- **Note: OSAP does not cover 5<sup>th</sup> semester separately; OSAP money received for the winter semester also covers the spring semester.**
- Students can only be placed in Windsor-Essex or Chatham-Kent. Placements outside the region will not be permitted.
- **Students are not to arrange their own placements or contact placement sites independently.**
- More information will be announced during the year.

### CLINICAL AND LAB HOURS:

- 100% attendance is expected to maximize the opportunity for success.
- **All missed time requires a physician's note.**
- All students are responsible for their own reliable transportation to and from clinical.

### UNIFORM POLICY

- Same as previous semesters - green scrubs with St. Clair College embroidered on the sleeve (need 2 sets), white or black lab coat (no sweatshirts, no hoods) and white/black shoes and socks (no logos, etc).
- Review the St. Clair College Practical Nursing Student Clinical Placement Policies

### REGISTERED PRACTICAL NURSE ASSOCIATION OF ONTARIO (WeRPN) STUDENT MEMBERSHIP

- St. Clair College encourages you to join this professional organization.
- **Benefits of Joining:**
  - Savings and discounts
  - Educational opportunities
  - Career-building services and support
  - Communications and Information
  - Looks great on a resume and portfolio assignment in 4<sup>th</sup> semester

### **WeRPN Student Member Application**

<https://members.werpn.com/step-1/>



### **THE REX-PN EXAM**

<https://www.cno.org/en/become-a-nurse/entry-to-practice-examinations/rpn-exam/>

**Have a wonderful, restful summer, we are looking forward to seeing you back in the fall!**