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SCHOOL OF PRACTICAL

Nursing

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IN 46 WEEKS



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Independence, Ohio

welcome to Central



Alberta Plocica, MSN, BSN, RN
Executive Director

INNOVATION IN NURSING EDUCATION

Central School of Practical Nursing (CSPN) was an innovation in nursing education in 1937 when two Cleveland philanthropists founded the program to fill a local need for licensed home care nurses. Central School of Practical Nursing was the first licensed practical nursing program in the state of Ohio, and was one of the first few programs of its kind in the entire United States.

CSPN's nursing program has earned and maintained a reputation of excellence in the Northeast Ohio healthcare community. The curriculum, techniques, and mission have evolved to reflect the complex and fast-changing world of healthcare.

CSPN is accredited by the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools (ABHES). CSPN is approved by the Ohio State Board of Career Colleges & Schools and the Ohio Board of Nursing (OBN).

The mission of Central School of Practical Nursing is to educate a diverse group of adult learners from Cleveland and its surrounding areas in the field of practical nursing, thereby increasing the capacity of Cleveland's healthcare workforce.



FAQs



When is your next available class?

CSPN enrolls twice per year. Classes begin on or around April 1st and October 1st.

How long is the program?

One calendar year, with 46 weeks of coursework and clinical.



Do you have a waiting list? No.

When is the entrance exam being given?

Entrance exam times vary. Refer to the website cspnohio.edu or call 216.901.4400.

How much does the entrance exam cost?

The entrance exam fee is \$40 and is non-refundable.



Where is CSPN located?

Our address is 4700 Rockside Road, in the Summit Park Offices in Independence, Ohio. We are in Summit 1, Suite 250. CSPN has no other locations and does not offer housing. Parking is free.

Is your school accredited?

Yes. CSPN is accredited by the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools (ABHES). CSPN is approved by the Ohio State Board of Career Colleges & Schools and the Ohio Board of Nursing (OBN).

Who is eligible to apply?

CSPN is an adult program. You must be 18 years old and have a high school diploma or GED.

What are the hours of the program?

Class hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Clinical hours vary from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Hours and clinical sites are subject to change.

What do students wear to class and clinicals?

Students wear scrubs to class. Students wear CSPN selected nursing whites to lab and clinicals.



Do you offer evening or weekend, or part-time classes?

CSPN does not offer evening, weekend, or online classes. The PN program is full-time Monday through Friday.

Do you offer an RN program?

No. CSPN is an LPN residential program only.

Are there any prerequisites?

We do not require any prerequisite coursework. Applicants must, however, apply to the program and be accepted. CSPN is a private institution and reserves the right to select the best applicants.

How are admissions decisions made?

In making admissions decisions, CSPN looks at your entire entrance file. We reserve the right to accept the most qualified applicants.

How many students are in a class?

Each class has seating for up to 52 students.

Does your program offer IV therapy?

Yes, IV therapy is an integral part of the program throughout all four levels. Upon nursing licensure in the State of Ohio, you will be allowed to perform IV therapy as part of your scope of practice.

Is the certificate the same as a license?

No. As soon as you complete the program, you will receive a certificate of completion. This certificate provides eligibility to take the National Council of Licensure Examination for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN).

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curriculum

CSPN's program is forty-six (46) weeks in length. There are four (4) levels in the program:

- Level 1: Eleven (11) weeks
- Level 2: Twelve (12) weeks
- Level 3: Eleven (11) weeks
- Level 4: Twelve (12) weeks

In each level, there is an average of two (2) days of classroom instruction, and two (2) days of clinical experience per week.

LEVEL 1 CURRICULUM

Course Number 140
Clinical Experience

Course Number 121
Mathematics for Nursing

Course Number 131
Nutrition

Course Number 134
Human Growth and
Development

Course Number 143
Anatomy and
Physiology I

Course Number 162
Introduction to
Patient Care

LEVEL 2 CURRICULUM

Course Number 250
Clinical Experience

Course Number 242
Nursing Care
Procedures

Course Number 243
Anatomy and
Physiology II

Course Number 244
Pharmacology I

Course Number 251
Medical-Surgical
Nursing I

LEVEL 3 CURRICULUM

Course Number 350
Clinical Experience

Course Number 332
Psychological Aspects
of Nursing

Course Number 335
Advanced Nursing
Procedures

Course Number 344
Pharmacology II

Course Number 353
Medical-Surgical
Nursing II

LEVEL 4 CURRICULUM

Course Number 480
Clinical Experience

Course Number 426
Home Care/
Community Nursing

Course Number 422
Nursing and Health
Care Trends

Course Number 434
Pediatrics

Course Number 435
Geriatric Nursing

Course Number 436
Obstetrical Nursing

"I genuinely love being a nurse, and my residents love me too! Thank you and all the staff for your dedication."

Marguriet Sims, LPN —
CSPN Class 157



admission's policy & applying

Application requirements

- High school diploma or GED
- Applicant must be 18 years to sit for pre-entrance testing.
- Pre-entrance exam — reading comprehension and math. Requires a minimum score of 73% on each section to pass. If applicant does not pass both sections, he/she will be eligible to retest for math only.
- High school transcripts
- If an applicant's high school grades/GPA were achieved in another country, they must be translated to English prior to submission (translated at applicant's expense). CSPN does not offer translation services.
- College transcript(s) (if applicable)
- Student Nursing Perspective (Applicant writing sample)
- Background check and drug testing through Integrity Verifications (independent company)
- A minimum high school GPA of 2.0 is required, unless college GPA meets or exceeds 2.0 (no on-line or home-school transcripts accepted unless 6 academic college hours have been obtained)
- Non-native English speakers are required to provide TOEFL iBT scores prior to pre-entrance testing (scores must be no older than 2 years). See below for minimum scoring requirements:
18 listening | 18 reading | 26 speaking | 17 writing

Applicants are required to attend an application information session, whereby the applicant is given an Application Packet. To be considered for enrollment, the applicant must submit the information listed above (Application Requirements). Each applicant is reviewed on an individual basis by the Admissions and Promotions Committee. The Admissions and Promotions Committee does not guarantee enrollment, as CSPN is a private, non-profit school, and reserves the right to select the best candidates.

Enrollment Requirements

- Physical exam, including immunization records or titers
- Two-step TB test, or bloodwork test
- CPR certification
- Signed Enrollment Agreement



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financial aid

GENERAL FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION

Central School of Practical Nursing (CSPN) has procedures in place that will help you complete your financial aid application in ample time prior to the start of class.

Pell Grants are based on need and are available to qualifying students. Pell Grants do not have to be repaid. You must complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to apply for a Pell Grant. (www.fafsa.ed.gov) After submission of the application you will receive a "pre-approval" of aid. If you decide not to attend CSPN the applications and "pre-approval" will simply expire. If you decide to attend a different school your application will be good for that school.

Direct Loans (aka Stafford Loans) are available to qualifying students. You must repay a student loan. These loans are not based on credit history. In general, the maximum loan you can borrow while attending CSPN is \$9,500 (\$3,500 subsidized and up to \$6,000

additional in unsubsidized loans if you qualify). In order to borrow \$9,500 you cannot have more than \$9,300 in student loans already outstanding that originated in the current year. The bank will deduct fees. It is estimated that the fees will be 1% of the loan amount, but they may be higher. It is highly recommended that you borrow the lowest amount possible.

The School's tuition scholarship is offered to Cuyahoga County residents due to the generosity of The John Huntington Fund for Education. Applicants who reside in Cuyahoga County and apply per the Fund's guidelines for a scholarship may receive at least \$1000. This scholarship can only be used for tuition at CSPN and is non-transferable.

Alternative Student Loans may also be available to you through banks. CSPN does not endorse these banks or their programs and is not associated with them in any way.



TUITION AND THE NON-REFUNDABLE FEES

Tuition and fees total \$17,500 for the entire program and are payable as follows:

1. A \$500 Refundable Administration is payable after notification of admittance into the Program.
2. \$8,500 represents payment for the first half of the Program.
3. \$8,500 represents payment for the second half of the program and is due after successful completion of the 1st half of the program.

Uniforms, books, and miscellaneous expenses are approximately \$930 and are not included in the \$17,500 tuition and fees. Tuition and fees may increase at the discretion of the School.

Drug screening: All applicants must submit a drug test (\$40) and BCI (\$30) through Integrity Verifications at an assigned time.

Proof of residency is required to qualify for The John Huntington Fund Scholarship.

Faculty & Staff

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“The entire staff at CSPN is very unique and special, each in their own way, and they all are very passionate and caring women. I feel CSPN has not only given me the tools and knowledge to be successful, but also the inspiration to be a good nurse.”

Christine Linde, LPN —
CSPN Class 153



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Conveniently located with easy access to east and west suburbs.

Directions

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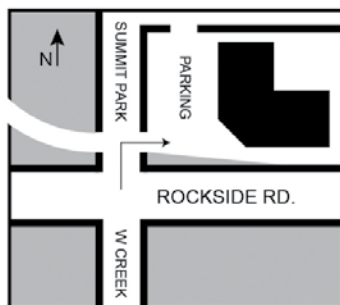
Directions from the north:

Follow I-77 South to the Rockside Road exit
Turn right at the end of the ramp and get into far left lane
Turn left onto Summit Park Drive at the next light
(look for the large Summit Office Park rock)
Make an immediate right into our entrance
Turn left into the parking lot
Enter the building and the CSPN suite will be on your left

Directions from the south:

Follow I-77 North to the Rockside Road exit
Turn left at the end of the ramp
Turn left at the second light (look for the large Summit Office Park rock)
Make an immediate right into our entrance
Turn left into the parking lot
Enter the building and the CSPN suite will be on your left

Note: MapQuest/Google Maps/GPS directions can be confusing, and may not direct you to our main entrance. We recommend using the map, and/or watching our video online.



For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program and other important information, please visit our website at: <http://tinyurl.com/cspn-disclosure-statement>

“I work on a skilled unit, and our residents come and go with so much of exactly what we learned. The other nurses I work with are always surprised to hear that I’ve only been a nurse for 3 months, and I thank Central and all the wonderful staff for that. I love my new career.”

Kelly Armbrecht, LPN — CSPN Class 157

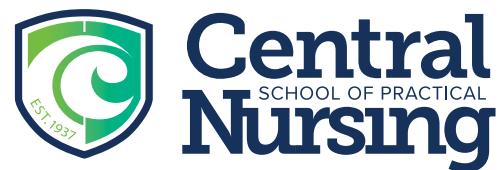
STATEMENT ON NON-DISCRIMINATION

CSPN is committed to diversity and inclusion, and adheres to all applicable laws that prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, age, genetic information, disability, veteran status, and any other protected classifications under federal, state or local law. CSPN does not consider any applicant’s protected classification in making admission or other decisions relating to students.

NON-HAZING POLICY

CSPN will not tolerate any form of hazing (harassment, abuse, and/or humiliation) of any faculty, administrator, student, or staff member. Student(s) will be subject to immediate dismissal should an event occur on campus, through social media, or any other means directly associated with CSPN.

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