



MassBay is pleased to announce it will begin offering an evening practical nursing program option beginning with the class that will start in September 2024.

This program option is designed to support students with families and day jobs and to provide the same quality nursing education in a night program that you would receive during the day program. You will learn from compassionate experts who have centered their working lives around helping nurses grow and succeed—from faculty members and academic advisors to tutors, financial aid experts, and 24/7 tech support.

Classes and clinicals are scheduled on various evenings, typically between 4:00 pm and 11:30 pm. The theoretical, lab, and clinical components of nursing courses must be taken simultaneously and chronologically. You will complete full-time course work and clinical experiences for a certificate in practical nursing while working around your other obligations (see Note 1).

Note 1 - This program will require students to travel to various clinical sites within the Central Massachusetts and MetroWest Regions. Students are responsible for providing their own transportation. To ensure students receive a comprehensive, well-rounded curriculum, some clinical hours may occur during evenings or weekends. However, students will be notified of this in advance so that they can adjust their schedules accordingly.

Between November 2023 and January 2024, all MassBay Health Sciences programs, including practical nursing, will move to a new, 68,500 square foot, state of the art building located one mile from our current location. In September 2024, practical nursing classes will begin. The practical nursing content at MassBay is delivered in nine (9) courses over ten months, divided into four semesters. Students earn forty-four (44) credits for completion. The program leads to a Certificate in Practical Nursing and eligibility to take the NCLEX-PN (National Council Licensure Exam). Here is the [full-time day and evening program projected schedule](#) sequence (subject to change).

The Practical Nursing Certificate program is a great way to enter a nursing career. Many LPNs are satisfied with their careers as hands-on care providers. However, if you decide to advance your education to increase your scope of practice, we offer an advanced placement program to become a registered nurse through our Associate in Nursing degree program.

It is never too late to become a nurse and a career as a licensed practical nurse (LPN) is a great way to enter the nursing profession. Plus, the projected job growth for LPNs is 6% from 2021 to

2031, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, which means LPNs are in demand (see Note 2).

Note 2 - Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, [career information accessed July 21, 2023 [<https://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/licensed-practical-and-licensed-vocational-nurses.htm> ] "Projected growth" represents the estimated change in total employment over the projections period (2021-2031). "Projected job openings" represent openings due to growth and replacement. Employment conditions in your area may vary.

Contact a MassBay Admissions Counselor today to learn more about:

- Program Details and Admission Requirements
- Financial Aid and FAFSA (for those who qualify)
- How to register for an upcoming PN program information session

OR

Call 781.239.2775 to speak with an Academic Advisor to learn more.