

**Associate of Science in Practical Nursing
Nursing & Allied Health Department
April - June 2025 Report**

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN PRACTICAL NURSING

The Associate of Science in Practical Nursing Program 2025 cohort completed their final semester on May 8, 2025. Twenty-seven students officially met all program requirements, qualifying them for graduation and eligibility to sit for local practical nursing licensure examinations.

Clinical practice for the Spring 2025 semester clinical courses were coordinated with the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority, Guam Regional Medical City, Guam Behavioral Health & Wellness Center, and the Guam Department of Corrections Medical Clinics. We are grateful for the continued support of our clinical affiliates, who provided our students with opportunities to valuable hands-on experience in their prospective agencies.

On May 9, 2025 the students celebrated their nursing pinning ceremony in the GCC Multi-Purpose Auditorium. The pinning ceremony marked a significant milestone, recognizing students' educational achievements within the program. During the event, the students were commended for their dedication and hard work and reminded of their ultimate academic goal: passing the National Council of Licensing Exam for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN). One week later, on May 16, 2025 all students participated in the GCC commencement ceremony, celebrating the successful completion of their degree.

Upon successful completion of the program, the students are eligible to apply to the Guam Board of Nurse Examiners to take the NCLEX-PN exam. The department has been working closely with the graduates to monitor their licensure progress. We are pleased to report that one graduate has already taken and passed the NCLEX-PN exam on her first attempt. We anticipate the remaining graduates will sit for the exam within the coming months.

Additionally, the incoming ASPN 2025-2026 cohort of 20 students has been selected. These students will begin the Fall 2025 semester enrolled in NU110: Nursing Foundations (lecture, lab, and clinical practice) and NU160: Nursing Pharmacology. The department continues to seek qualified adjunct faculty interested in teaching laboratory and/or clinical courses for the program.

Students interested in the Associate of Science in Practical Nursing are highly encouraged to seek advisement from the Nursing & Allied Health Department. For more information, please contact MS. Tamara Therese Hiura at tamaratherese.hiura@guamcc.edu, or Ms. Dorothy-Lou Duenas at dorothylo.duenas@guamcc.edu.

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