


**Associate of Science in Practical Nursing
Nursing & Allied Health Department
October - December 2023**

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN PRACTICAL NURSING

- The Associate of Science in Practical Nursing Program 2022-2023 cohort, consisting of 17 students completed their final semester. The students completed lectures, laboratory practice, and clinicals for the the following courses:
 - o NU250 Mental Health Nursing
 - o NU280 Nursing Trends
 - o NU281 NCLEX Review & Transition
 - o NU292 Practical Nursing Clinical
- Clinical practice for the NU250 and NU292 courses were coordinated with the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority, Guam Behavioral Health & Wellness Center, and the Guam Department of Corrections Medical Clinics. We are grateful for the continued support of our clinical affiliates for providing our students with the opportunity to achieve their clinical experience in their prospective agencies.
- On December 16, 2023, the graduates celebrated their Practical Nursing Pinning Ceremony at the Lotte Hotel Crystal Ballroom. Governor Lourdes Leon Guerrero provided her remarks as the distinguished speaker. Ms. Lillian Perez-Posadas, GMHA Administrator/CEO was an honored guest who also attended the event, alongside Dr. Mary A.Y. Okada, GCC President, and Dorothy-Lou M. Duenas, Associate Dean for the School of Trades & Professional Services.
- All 17 graduates have submitted their applications to the Guam Board of Nurse Examiners to test for the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCLEX-PN) exam. We anticipate they will be schedule to test for the exam within the next couple months.
- Thirty students have been selected for the 2024-2025 ASPN cohort. The students successfully met the application requirements for entry into the ASPN program. The new cohort will be starting the Spring 2024 semester with the following courses:
 - o NU110 Nursing Foundations (8 credits) – lecture, laboratory practice, and clinicals
 - o NU160 Pharmacology (4 credits) – lecture and laboratory practice
- Students who are interested in declaring or taking classes for the practical nursing program are highly encouraged to seek advisement from the Nursing & Allied Health Department. For assistance or inquiries you may email Ms. TasiMarina M. San Nicolas at tasimarina.sannicolas@guamcc.edu or Ms. Dorothy-Lou M. Duenas at dorothylou.duenas@guamcc.edu.


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