


**Associate of Science in Practical Nursing  
Nursing & Allied Health Department  
July - September 2022**

- The Associate of Science in Practical Nursing Program 2022-2023 cohort began the Fall semester with twenty (20) students. The first semester nursing courses includes NU101, Nursing Foundations and NU160, Pharmacology. Clinical practice for the Nursing Foundations course began in September at the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA) Medical Surgical and Surgical units. We are thankful for the continued support of GMHA in providing our students with the opportunity to gain clinical experience in their agency.
- All thirteen (13) students from 2021-2022 ASPN cohort have officially received authorization from the Guam Board of Nurse Examiners (GBNE) to test for the National Council of Licensure Exam for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN). To date three (3) graduates have tested and all three (3) have successfully passed their NCLEX-PN exam on their first try. Two of the recently licensed will be moving off island to attend LPN-RN programs located in Iowa & Ohio. The remaining graduates anticipate taking the exam no later than February 2023.
- Eleven (11) of the thirteen (13) graduates are currently working and utilizing the temporary work permit provided by the DPHSS Health Professional Licensing Office and are working as LPNs at the following agencies:

GRMC – 4  
GMHA - 1  
AMC - 2  
HSP - 2  
FHP - 2

- The Nursing & Allied Health department and faculty continue to reach out to our graduates in order to monitor their progress and preparations for the NCLEX-PN exam. We are very hopeful for their success and look forward to seeing them working in the healthcare community.
- **2020 ASPN Cohort** - All nineteen (19) ASPN graduates have taken the NCLEX-PN exam and all 19 have passed on their first try and are now licensed practical nurses confirmed through the Guam Board of Nurse Examiners. Therefore, our current first-write pass rate for the very first ASPN cohort (2019-2020) is **100%**.
- The 2020 ASPN cohort persevered through the difficulties experienced as a nursing student in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic and also without hesitation volunteered to assist with the response efforts for the island. We are extremely proud of all our graduates for all their hard work and determination throughout the program. Furthermore, we are also thankful for our clinical partners and advisory members for their continued support of our programs and graduates.

  
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