

SALT LAKE COMMUNITY COLLEGE NURSING PROGRAM

Essential Functions

To be accepted into the SLCC Nursing Program, students must be able to meet the following essential functions of the occupation for nursing.

- Communicate effectively with clients, families, health care team members, peer, and faculty.
- Interact appropriately and communicate effectively with individuals, families, and groups from a variety of social, cultural, and intellectual backgrounds.
- Communicate and organize thoughts to prepare written documents.
- Prepare written documents that are correct in style, grammar, and mechanics.
- Stand and walk for six to eight hours/day.
- Walk for prolonged periods from one area to another over an eight-hour period.
- Bend, squat, and kneel.
- Assist lifting or moving clients of all age groups and weights.
- Perform CPR, i.e., move above client to compress chest and manually ventilate client.
- Work with arms fully extended overhead.
- Use hands for grasping, pushing, pulling, and other fine manipulation.
- Demonstrate eye/hand coordination for manipulation of equipment, i.e., syringes, procedures, etc.
- Possess tactile ability to differentiate changes in sensation.
- Possess tactile ability sufficient for physical examination of a patient.
- Possess auditory acuity to note slight changes in the client's condition, i.e., lung sounds, bowel sounds, etc.
- Possess auditory acuity to hear client's calls for assistance without facing the client.
- Possess auditory acuity to interpret various equipment signals and use the telephone.
- Possess visual acuity to read and distinguish colors, to read handwritten orders, and other handwritten/printed data.
- Possess visual acuity to clearly view electronic monitors and scales to correctly interpret data.
- Possess olfactory ability sufficient to detect differences in odor.
- Possess good short term and long-term memory.
- Respond with precise, quick actions in emergency situations.

I UNDERSTAND THE ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS FOR THE NURSING PROGRAM.

Student Name Print: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____