Associate of Science in Practical Nursing Nursing & Allied Health Department October - December 2022

- The Associate of Science in Practical Nursing Program 2022-2023 cohort completed their first semester courses with eighteen (18) students. Initially, twenty (20) students enrolled in the program. However, two (2) students withdrew due to personal reasons.
- The first semester courses included NU101, Nursing Foundations and NU160, Pharmacology. Clinical practice for the Nursing Foundations course began in September and concluded in December 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 and achieve their hospital clinical experience.
- 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 five (5) graduates have tested and all five (5) have successfully passed their NCLEX-PN exam on their first try. Two of the recently licensed have moved off island to attend LPN to RN programs located in Ohio and Iowa. The remaining graduates anticipate taking the exam no later than February 2023.
- Our recent graduates have been able to obtain employment at the local hospitals as well as various clinics on and off island.
- 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 employed in the healthcare community as licensed practical nurses.

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