

NURSING ASSISTANT

Nursing Assistant Certificate of Completion

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Nursing Assistant program is a three-term program that trains individuals to perform authorized duties of the Nursing Assistant in acute care, sub-acute care and skilled nursing facilities and in other health care settings. Upon successful completion of all required support courses, Nursing Assistant level 1 with successful certification by the Oregon State Board of Nursing and CNA level 2, students are awarded a certificate of completion from COCC. The COCC Nursing Assistant level 1 and CNA level 2 courses are approved by the Oregon State Board of Nursing (971.673.0685 or oregon.gov/osbn).

PROGRAM COSTS

(beyond standard tuition/fees and textbooks)

Material Costs

- Stethoscope \$30
- Uniform \$30-\$80
- Books \$500 per term
- Course and lab packets \$100 per term
- Immunizations & titers \$600
- Immunizations tracking \$10
- Criminal background check \$55
- Urine drug screen \$45
- Nursing Assistant Competency Examination \$106
- Electronic fingerprinting \$65
- AHA BLS Provider CPR card \$60

PROGRAM ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Other Entrance Requirements

- Required:
 - Documentation of current immunizations (CDC adult schedule) by the assigned due date.
 - Complete Criminal History Checks (CHC) as a condition of enrollment in NUR 103 Nursing Assistant and NUR 104 CNA Level 2; see website for details.
 - Students must complete a 10-panel urine drug screen, with Verified Credentials, Inc., prior to entry into the Nursing Assistant Program. With the exception of certain prescribed medications, students with a positive drug screen which prevents them from attending clinical, will be disqualified from entering the program. Please refer to the Nursing Assistant Handbook for more detailed information.
 - Successful acquisition of a current American Heart Association (ILCOR compliant) BLS Provider CPR card by the assigned due date.

PROGRAM PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

- Academic Requirements
 - Students must have a 2.0 cumulative GPA to earn a COCC certificate or degree.
 - All courses in the program must be completed with a grade of C or higher.

PROGRAM COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Core Courses

HD 101	Study Strategies	3
or HD 100CS	College Success	
HD 109	Effective Job Search Strategies	2
HHP 248	Health Psychology	3-4
or HHP 210	Intro to Health Care System	
NUR 103	Nursing Assistant	7

NUR 104	CNA Level 2	6
PSY 215	Developmental Psychology	4

Other Required Courses

CIS 120	Computer Concepts (or Computer Competency Test) 0-4	
MTH 020	Pre-Algebra ¹	4
or MTH 058	Math Literacy I	
SP 218	Interpersonal Communication	3
WR 065	Rhetoric/Critical Thinking II	4
or WR 121	Academic Composition	

Total Credits 36-41

¹ Or higher than MTH 058

ADVISING NOTES

This certificate is designed for students planning to enter the workforce upon graduation; most courses are not intended to transfer. However, some courses may be transferable to public or private baccalaureate institutions for students who choose to pursue higher degrees.

The courses in the Nursing Assistant program should be carefully planned. Students must successfully complete NUR 103 before they can enroll in NUR 104. For patient and personnel safety reasons, students are discouraged from working more than 20 hours or working a night shift during the term(s) they are taking NUR 103 and NUR 104. Please contact the Nursing Assistant program director and/or CAP Services for questions regarding the program.