

CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT (CERTIFICATE)

Health Science

Program website (<https://www.harpercollege.edu/academics/health/nursing/cna.php>)

Program Overview

This 6 credit-hour certificate program provides theory and training in the basic skills essential to the practice of health care workers who will assist the nurse in the care of patients in a variety of health care settings. Includes simulated practice and opportunity for clinical application. The courses are approved by the Illinois Department of Public Health, Office of Health Regulations. Successful completion is required for application for the Nurse Aide Competency Exam. **Note:** All students are required to have a valid Social Security number, pass a criminal background check and meet health requirements. Special fees apply.

Opportunities for employment are found in settings such as long-term care facilities, home health agencies, hospitals, and private duty.

This program is also a part of Harper's Dual Credit Career Partnership. Applicants from this high school partnership must have completed the 11th grade prior to entering and must also meet the program's special admission requirements.

Special admission requirement options include placement into ENG 096 or better, ESL 073 with a grade of B or better, or other placement options viewable in the CNA 111 course description.

Program Requirements

A grade of C or better in these courses is required for this certificate.

Code	Title	Hours
Required		
CNA 111	Nursing Assistant Training	4
CNA 112	Nursing Assistant Training: Clinical Experience	2
Total Hours		6

Program Learning Outcomes

- Communicate effectively with patients, family and staff.
- Demonstrate basic nursing skills while caring for patients.
- Establish and maintain a safe and pleasant environment.
- Follow the nursing care plan in providing care.
- Give simple emotional and psychological support to the patient and family members.
- Identify the organization of the health care institution and its function.
- Record observations and maintain records specific to the long-term facility and/or hospital or home health agency.
- Report observations related to the patient's condition to an immediate supervisor.