Nursing Assistant

Accredited by the Minnesota Department of Nursing

Program Description

Students work directly under the supervision of a registered nurse to become familiar with the duties and responsibilities of a nursing assistant and home health aide. The program prepares students for jobs in a variety of settings such as nursing homes, home care agencies, hospitals, group homes, and semi-independent living facilities. The course includes classroom theory and testing as well as instruction on how to assist residents with hygiene, feeding, skin care, bed making, dressing, movement and other general assistance. Clinical experience at a local nursing home is included.

NOTE: This course is a prerequisite to HCC’s Nursing program and most Practical Nursing programs. Students interested in applying to HCC’s Nursing program are encouraged to visit with an admissions representative.

General Information

- Students are required to wear a uniform on all clinical days. The uniform shall consist of scrub pants and top, either solid color or print tops are acceptable, mostly white shoes and a name tag.
- Prior clinical experience, evidence of negative Mantoux (a skin test for Tuberculosis) must be provided to the instructor. Check with your instructor on where this test is administered.
- You will earn four credits for this course. These credits may meet Registered Nursing/Practical Nursing Requirements. Check with an instructor for more information.

Instructor Contact

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Estimated Course Costs

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Test Out $160 (non-student)
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*State law requires any person who provides services that involve direct contact with patients and residents at a Minnesota licensed health care facility have a background study conducted by the State. An individual who is disqualified from having direct patient contact as a result of the background study, and whose disqualification is not set aside by the Commissioner of Health, will not be permitted to participate in a clinical placement in a licensed health care facility. Failure to participate in clinical placement required by this program will result in ineligibility to qualify for a degree, diploma, and certificate and will be withdrawn from the program.

Program Mission Statement
To provide the nursing assistant/home health aide student with entry-level theory and skills needed to understand and assume the responsibilities of a nursing assistant or home health aide.

HCC Core Competencies
1.) Working Productively and Cooperatively
2.) Communicating Clearly and Effectively
3.) Thinking Creatively and Critically
4.) Social Responsibilities
5.) Value Self

Program Outcomes: Assessment Method:

1.) Graduates of the Nursing Assistant/Home Health Aid Program will be successfully employed in the field within three months of graduation. Given a Graduate Follow-up Survey three months after graduation, 70% of those students desiring employment will report employment in the field.

2.) Graduating students in the Nursing Assistant/Home Health Aide Program will be satisfied with the education received in the program. Given a course survey, 80% of the students will indicate satisfaction with the program.

3.) Employers of the graduates of the Nursing Assistant/Home Health Aide Program will be satisfied with the entry level skills of the new employees. Given an employer survey, 80% will indicate satisfaction with their new nursing assistant/home health aide’s entry level skills.

4.) Graduates of the Nursing Assistant/Home Heath Aide Program will be proficient in clinical skills. Given the State Competency Examination, 95% of our students will pass the exam on the first attempt. Our graduates will perform equal to or better than other students in Minnesota on the Minnesota State Competency Exam.
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