

NURSING ASSISTANT

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Nursing Assistant: Certificate of Proficiency (CP)

The Nursing Assistant Certificate of Proficiency prepares students for entry-level employment in the healthcare field. Nursing Assistants provide direct care to patients in residential, skilled nursing and hospice care facilities under the supervision of a licensed nurse. Completion of the Nursing Assistant courses provides eligibility for the National Nurse Aide Assessment Program (NNAAP) examination for the Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA).

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS PROGRAM ACCEPTANCE POLICY

Due to requirements from the California Department of Public Health, acceptance into the Nursing Assistant program will be dependent on the following:

- Submission of an application for the CNA program by the specified deadline. Applications are available online at missioncollege.org/depts/health/index.html/nursing.
- Attendance at an information session (dates will be posted online)

It is also recommended that students have completed HOC 001 prior to applying for this program.

Program Learning Outcomes:

- Use the language of the profession of nursing to communicate appropriately using verbal, written and technological methods.
- Analyze relevant information in the utilization of the nursing process, applying principles of evidence-based practice as needed.
- Identify personal and professional growth through retrospection of nursing care.
- Complete all requirements for eligibility to apply for the Nursing Assistant Certification and pass the state examination.

Career/Transfer Opportunities:

The Certified Nursing Assistant is a member of the health care team who works under the LVN, RN or Physician. Employment opportunities for the Nursing Assistant include long-term care facilities, private duty, assisted living, adult day care facilities, pediatric sub-acute and mental health facilities. Home health aides work primarily in homes and as a visiting care provider (ie: hospice care or public health aide).

Core Requirements (6.5 units):

Complete all of the following

	Units
HOC 019A Nursing Assistant Fundamentals	4.0
HOC 019AL Nursing Assistant Fundamentals Laboratory	0.5
HOC 019B Nursing Assistant Clinical Experience	2.0

Total Required Units:

6.5

Note: This Certificate of Proficiency is awarded by the academic department. This certificate will not appear on your transcript; however, you can receive a documentation of the certificate by contacting the department chair upon completion of the required coursework.

