

HOME HEALTH CARE AIDE, CAREER PATHWAY CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

This Career Pathway Certificate of Completion: Home Health Care Aide is designed to prepare students for the Nursing Assistant Level One certification and for successful employment as a CNA1 or Home Health Aide. The Program combines classroom, skills lab instruction, and hands-on clinical experience, designed to prepare students to care for clients in a variety of settings including, long-term care, intermediate care, home health, hospice care, acute care, foster care and assisted living situations. The program includes instruction in basic bedside nursing skills, basic restorative skills, mental health and social service needs, personal care skills, knowledge of clients' rights, concepts of safety and preventing complications, communicating patient responses to the nurse, and documenting/recording outcomes of patient care, patient advocacy, health promotion, and the use of contemporary medical records systems. For additional medically-related programs see the Allied Health (<https://www.socc.edu/allied-health>) webpage.

The NUR120 Nursing Assistant Level 1 course is an Oregon State Board of Nursing (OSBN) approved course. Upon successful completion of the course, students are eligible to sit for the Oregon State Board of Nursing-sanctioned CNA Level 1 examination.

Click here (<https://www.socc.edu/pathways/roadmapsaz/156-healthcare-career-core-roadmap>) to see how this certificate fits within other programs at Southwestern. For more information contact the administrative assistant, Sumner Hall, Rm 4 541-888-7443 or the director at 541-888-7298. Click here (<https://www.socc.edu/allied-health>) to view more information about the Nursing & Allied Health program.

Graduation Requirements

Students must complete a minimum of 20 credit hours with a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.0 or better. All courses must be completed with a grade of 'C' or better. One course must be completed at Southwestern before the Career Pathway Certificate of Completion: Home Health Care Aide is awarded.

Complete the graduation application process one term prior to the term of completion (e.g., spring term graduates must apply during winter term).

Pre-Program Courses

Students are required to take the following courses *prior to* the program course, depending on a students' college placement information. See advisor for details:

Code	Title	Credits
WR90R	Academic Literacy (or placement in higher writing course)	4

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Course	Title	Credits
First Year		
Fall		
NUR120	Nursing Assistant Level 1 ¹	9
		Credits
		9
Winter		
HIM110	Health Information Technology	5
NUR9195	Home Health Care Aide	3
HS154 or HS155	Community Resources or Interviewing Theory and Techniques	3
		Credits
		11
		Total Credits
		20

¹ Students who hold a current Oregon Nursing Assistant Certificate may substitute this course with specific electives. This course has a separate application process. NUR120 Nursing Assistant Level 1 requires a course application be submitted to document requirements such as immunizations, drug screen, current CPR card, and criminal background check. Also, OSBN requires applicants for nursing assistant certifications to provide fingerprints in order for a national criminal history record check to be conducted by the OSBN.

Program Student Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, the student will be able to:

- Be eligible to sit for the Oregon State Board of Nursing-sanctioned CNA Level 1 examination and be able to function as a professional in the role of a CNA1/Home Health Care Aide in a residential setting.
- Be able to demonstrate basic patient advocacy, health promotion, and basic medical records maintenance.
- Follow treatment plans prescribed by physicians, nurses, and other health professionals.