

BASIC CARE. GROWING NEED.

Certified Nursing Assistants (CNAs) are men and women who are prepared to give basic nursing care in a health care facility under the direction and supervision of a licensed nurse. With shorter hospital stays and a growing senior citizen population, the job market for nursing assistants continues to grow.



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VENTURA COLLEGE

CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT (CNA)



SET YOUR COURSE



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN A CAREER IN HEALTH CARE?

CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT PROGRAM (CNA)

Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) is a first step in a health care career that can lead to home health aide, licensed vocational nurse, registered nurse and other professions.

Health careers offer challenging experiences and opportunity to help others.

*Caring is
the essence
of nursing*

PROGRAM APPROVAL

This program is approved by the California Department of Public Health and prepares the student to take the state certification exam.

Punctuality and attendance are carefully monitored to ensure that all students complete the state mandated requirements.



THE DUTIES OF A CNA INCLUDE:

- Take and record temperature, pulse, respiratory rate and blood pressure
- Measure food and liquid intake and output
- Observe patient condition and report any changes to the nurse in charge
- Assist patients with personal care including bathing and dressing
- Serve food and feed patients who need help
- Help patients walk and assist them with wheelchairs, recreational therapy or other activities

In the CNA program, students learn basic skills including body mechanics, nutrition, infection control, communication, and patient rights. They utilize these skills during “hands on” clinical experiences at an extended care facility.

The employment opportunities for Nursing Assistants in California are excellent with openings in hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, community agencies, physicians’ offices, and clients’ homes.

PREREQUISITES

REQUIRED:

- Submit application for admission to Ventura College
- Free from criminal convictions (misdemeanors and felonies)
- Drug & Alcohol Testing
- Communicable disease screening & immunizations
- Physical examination demonstrating general good health
- CPR certification for healthcare provider or professional rescuer
- 16 years of age
- Valid original Social Security card

RECOMMENDED PREPARATION:

- English V02 or Equivalent
- Basic Mathematics

LENGTH OF PROGRAM:

One semester – 11 hours/week of class time
Offered in Spring and Fall Semester

ESTIMATED COSTS:

CNA 6 units X \$ 46/unit	\$276.00
Student Health fee.....	\$19.00
Textbook & Handbook.....	\$90.00
Uniform & Shoes.....	\$100.00
State Certification Exam.....	\$90.00
Parking Permit (optional).....	\$40.00
Immunization Tracker	\$28.00
Drug & Alcohol Clearance.....	\$50.00
Approximate Total.....	\$693.00

For Financial Aid Assistance, call the Financial Aid Office at (805)289-6369 or contact the CalWORKs Office at (805) 289-9372

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

- Consult the Ventura College Catalog and current Schedule of Classes
- Online: www.venturacollege.edu

