NURSING ASSISTANT PROGRAM

The Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) program is a comprehensive program designed to prepare graduates to pass the NNAAP State Exam and obtain employment in the healthcare industry as competent members of healthcare teams. The Nursing Assistant Program consists of 3 classes (11 credits), taken in succession, over the course of 10 weeks.

The classes combine theory and hands-on skills training emphasizing professional communication, compassionate care-giving and procedural nursing skills. Students learn how to perform fundamental nursing skills such as, taking vital signs, bathing, dressing, and safe patient positioning. The skills laboratory is equipped with hospital beds and medical equipment to practice and develop basic nursing skills in an active learning environment prior to the clinical rotation.

ENROLLMENT PROCESS
1. Apply to Lake Washington Institute of Technology
2. Meet with an Advisor 425-739-8300
3. Obtain registration packet that includes the following:
   - Clinical Passport document & instructions (See page 5)
   - Program information sheet
5. Immediately following registration work to complete your TB and immunization requirements. Immunizations can take up to 3 weeks to complete.

Prior to the first day of class, students must complete the following clinical passport requirements and email them to Bryan Cofer bryan.cofer@lwtech.edu.

NOTE: It is strongly recommended that students start the Hepatitis B series.

   Tuberculin Status (Initial 2-step) requires a total of 4 visits over 2-3 weeks.
   MMR (Measles, Mumps & Rubella) - Two doses of vaccine or a titer demonstrating immunity
   Varicella (Chicken pox) - Two doses of vaccine or a titer demonstrating immunity
   Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria & Pertussis) - within the last 10 years
Tuberculosis status (TB) test
Flu vaccine seasonal- only available September through April

HIV/AIDS 7- hour Certification Course is required and included in Canvas course- NURS 107.

American Heart Association BLS CPR Certification
Certification must be an American Heart Association (AHA) BLS Provider card.
Card must be current through the end of the quarter you are attending.

Students unable to submit completed clinical passports by end of the first week of the course are encouraged to withdraw while they can still receive full refund.

Background check (See below)
Instructions for completing the Clinical Passport are included with the passport itself.
To complete the National Background check to go https://www.castlebranch.com/

Click > Place Order new page - organization’s Package Code: AH62 click > Submit

Cost $ 60-100
Contact Castle Branch for more information or payment options.

OVERVIEW OF COURSES

NURS 107 Theory: 5 credits.
1. Students are introduced to the role, responsibilities, and skills required to be a nursing assistant. Students will be learn the scientific principles of nursing, basic therapeutic communication techniques, infection and infection control, vital sign measurements, safety and mobility issues, basic patient care, patient comfort, and nutrition.
2. Program grading is based on textbook reading, class participation, lecture, attendance, assignments and weekly quizzes.
3. Final Grade must be 80% (2.0) to be granted the Certificate of Completion
4. Includes a self-study classes for completing the Clinical Passport and will be available before the first day of class.

NURS 108 Lab: 3 Credits. Pass/Fail.
• Students work closely with fellow students to learn and perform safely and efficiently the components of each step of 22 Skills needed as a caregiver and exam candidate. Daily attendance is required.
• Prior to Clinical, students take a “mock state exam” evaluate their ability to perform 5 skills (of the 22) within 25 minutes.

**NURS 109 Clinical**: 3 Credits. Pass/Fail.

• Integrating the theoretical and lab skills learned in the NURS 107 and NURS 108, Students demonstrate safe client care in a healthcare environment. Daily attendance is required.

• NURS 107/108 classes do not meet during NURS 109. Clinical dates and times are dependent on facility and Instructor availability. Clinicals may be scheduled for weekdays, weekend, days and evenings. **Clinical occurs fall, winter and spring week 6-7 of the course, depending on instructor and facility availability. Summer Clinicals take place weeks 4-5 of the program. Specific dates will be outlined in the syllabus**

Students should expect a minimum of 2 hours of homework per credit per week. NURS 107,108 = 8 credits = 16 to 20 hours per week

To receive maximum benefit from a program, regular attendance is essential. There are many resources available on campus and online, to encourage student success.

**RESOURCES:**

**Required Textbook:**


**Course Calendar**: Gives all assignments dates for quizzes, etc. for NURS 107 108 109

**Course Syllabi for NURS 107,108,109** Includes assignments, grading scale, Expectations and Outcomes

❖ Students are expected to read and understand assignments PRIOR to class discussion and hand in assignments prior to their due date.

**COMPUTERS & ONLINE ACCESS**
The NAC program is **Web-enhanced** with online material, PowerPoints and assignments to enrich the student’s interaction and understanding. Computer access and assistance is available in the Library Learning Commons, Computer Lab, Learning Lab, eLearning or online at:
CANVAS

Canvas is the learning management system (LMS) that houses educational contact. As a virtual classroom, it allows instructors and students a way to easily communicate and share learning resources to support learning. Your working knowledge of CANVAS is crucial to your success in this course.

- Student tutorial [https://lwtech.instructure.com/courses/825671](https://lwtech.instructure.com/courses/825671)
- Communication: Student Email and Canvas In-Box are not linked. Either link them or check both email messages. [http://studenthelpdesk.lwtech.edu/portal/page/12-faq](http://studenthelpdesk.lwtech.edu/portal/page/12-faq)
- Student email account & Canvas inbox

COURSE EXPENSES

- Textbook: see LWTech bookstore cost (approx., $120)
- Uniform: Solid gray scrubs, (more pockets are good). $40 - $70
- Shoes leather or vinyl – not mesh $30 - $100 +
- Wrist watch: Analog (not a digital) with sweep second hand $12 +
- Expense for TB and Immunizations if students is not covered by Medical Insurance: varies
- Criminal background check $60-$100
- NNAAP State Exam Fee: $124
- Washington State Certification Fee presently: $68