

NURSE AIDE THEORY & LAB - CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

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The Nursing Aide Theory & Lab Certificate of Achievement prepares students for employment as a nursing assistant/nurse aide and includes nurse aide skills with a bio-psychosocial-cultural approach to client care. **The certificate requires successful completion of NA 101 Nursing Assistant Theory and Lab and NA 201 Nursing Assistant Theory and Clinical .** Coursework includes 45 hours of nursing theory, 125 hours of "hands-on" practice in the lab, and 24 hours of supervised clinical time in a long-term healthcare facility. Successful coursework completion requires a grade of "C" (grade score of 80%) or better, a grade of pass on all skills checklists, a final exam grade of 80% or better, 80% average of clinical/lab, and completion of all assignments. Successful completion includes 100% attendance for class, lab, and clinical time. Upon successful completion of all coursework, a student has met all requirements to take the NACES certification examination.

A grade of C or better is required in all courses.

Total Credits Required for Certificate: 6

Prefix	Title	Credits
NA 101	Nursing Assistant Theory and Lab	5
NA 201	Nursing Assistant Theory and Clinical	1
Total Credits		6

Note: A Certificate of Achievement is a program of study less than 16 credits. The certificate provides employment related and/or career enhancing skills necessary to succeed in a job or chose field of study. Please see an advisor concerning financial aid eligibility for Certificates of Achievement.