

ELECTROCARDIOGRAM TECHNICIAN - CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

Doña Ana Community College 2025-2026 Catalog (one semester – 4 credit hours)

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NOTE: Students must earn a final grade of C- or better in all required courses and achieve a cumulative grade-point average of at least 2.0.

Prefix	Title	Credits
NA 110	Electrocardiogram Technician Basic	4
Total Credits		4

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A Suggested Plan of Study

The contents of this roadmap may vary depending on initial student placement in mathematics and English. This is only a suggested plan of study for students, and is not intended as a contract. Individual student academic plans may vary. Please contact your academic advisor to create a plan that works for you. Course availability may vary from fall to spring semester and may be subject to modification or change.

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Students must complete all University certificate requirements to total at least 4 credits. Developmental coursework will not count towards the degree requirements and/or elective credits, but may be needed in order to take the necessary English and Mathematics coursework.

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