

NUAS-NURSING ASSISTANT

NUAS 1110. Nursing Assistant Theory and Laboratory

5 Credits (4+2P)

Equips students with the fundamental knowledge and skills necessary for providing safe and effective care to patients in various healthcare settings. Through a combination of theoretical instruction and practical experience, students will gain a comprehensive understanding of the Nursing Assistant role. Students experience a practical application of the Nursing Assistant role.

Corequisite: NUAS 2110.

Learning Outcomes

1. Identify factors that promote safe, effective, age appropriate, ethical and culturally competent care.
2. Provide safe, effective, age appropriate, and culturally competent care in an ethical manner.
3. Perform basic nursing assistant skills related to various healthcare settings and various populations, respecting patients mental health and social needs.
4. Communicate effectively with patients, families, and members of the healthcare team.

NUAS 1115. Nursing Assistant Clinical

4 Credits (3+3P)

Synthesizes fundamental skills necessary for providing safe and effective care to patients in various healthcare settings. Students experience a practical application of the Nursing Assistant role. Requires a C or better to pass. Restricted to: Community Colleges only.

Prerequisite: C or better in NUAS 1110 or consent of instructor.

Learning Outcomes

1. Provide safe, effective, age appropriate, and culturally competent care in an ethical manner.
2. Perform basic nursing assistant skills related to various healthcare settings and various populations, respecting patients mental health and social needs.
3. Communicate effectively with patients, families, and members of the healthcare team.

NUAS 2110. Nursing Assistant Theory and Clinical

1 Credit (2P)

Nurse aide skills with emphasis on a bio-psychosocial-cultural approach to resident/client/patient care. Students will practice the nursing assistant roles, responsibilities, and recognize the scope of practice while learning, developing, and practicing clinical skills in the clinical setting. With successful completion of NA 101 and NA 201, the student meets the New Mexico Department of Health training requirements and is eligible to take the Nurse Aide Training & Competency Evaluation Program (NATCEP) nursing assistant certification exam. Students must have current Basic Life Support for Health Care Providers. Requires a C (80%) or better to pass.

Corequisite: NUAS 1110.

Learning Outcomes

1. Apply theoretical knowledge associated with nursing assisting in providing basic healthcare services.
2. Perform essential clinical skills within the nursing assistant scope of practice in long-term, acute care, and ambulatory care settings.
3. Recognize factors that affect procedures and results, and take appropriate actions within predetermined limits when indicated, including resident/patient compromise or complications.

4. Demonstrate professional conduct and interpersonal communication skills with patients, other health care professionals, and with the public.
5. Recognize the responsibilities of other health care personnel and interact with them with respect for their healthcare roles and resident/patient care.
6. Apply basic scientific principles and evidenced-based practice in learning new techniques and procedures.
7. Relate vital signs, point-of-care testing, and physical psychological findings to common disease processes.
8. Evaluate occupational exposures, environmental safety hazards, high risk situations, and emergency responses related to health care professions.
9. Demonstrate soft skills related to assisting with patient assessment, mobility, safety, nutrition, and care of the environment. 1
10. Demonstrate professionalism when interacting with patient populations across the lifespan; including patient education and emergent situations. 1
11. Explain legal and ethical considerations, including HIPAA and scope of practice related to healthcare settings.