

NURSING ASSISTING

Associate of Applied Science Degree

Technical Certificate

Certificate of Proficiency

The nursing assistant program, approved by the Arkansas Department of Human Services, Office of Long Term Care, is a program that consists of classroom instruction and skills training. The skills training is a combination of skills demonstration and skills performance in the clinical area with residents of a long term care facility.

This program prepares students in providing competent and skilled nursing care to residents in long term care, hospice, and acute care facilities. Upon successful completion of NUR 1004 Nursing Assistant, the student is prepared to take the Nursing Assistant Competency Examination to become a Certified Nursing Assistant.

COURSES INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

- Human Anatomy and Physiology I and II
- Nutrition
- Nursing Assistant

REQUIREMENTS:

- Completion of all general admission requirements to UACCM
- Current American Heart Association Healthcare Provider CPR certification
- Current negative TB skin test
- Current background check free of any convicted misdemeanor or felony
- Malpractice insurance

Current TB assessment and clearance, satisfactory criminal and maltreatment background checks, and current American Heart Association Healthcare provider CPR certification are due before the first day of class.

After UACCM

GRADUATES ARE EMPLOYED IN:

- Long-term care facilities
- Skilled nursing homes
- Home health care
- Rehabilitation centers

ARKANSAS WAGES:

Average Annual Wage: \$21,280

EXAMPLES OF POTENTIAL EMPLOYERS:

St. Vincent Morrilton, State Health Department in Home Care/Hospice, Conway Regional Medical Center, Dardanelle Hospital, Brookridge Cove Rehab & Care Center, River Chase Rehabilitation & Care Center, St. Andrews Place, Johnson County Regional Medical Center, St. Mary's Regional Medical Center.



This booklet is intended to help individuals learn more about the technical and professional career programs offered by UACCM. For more information about these programs, about UACCM, or for counseling on what program is right for you, contact our friendly admission representatives at (501) 977-2053 or see for yourself by going online to www.uaccm.edu.

DEGREE EXPLANATIONS

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE

The Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degrees combine classroom instruction with “hands-on” training in a variety of technical, business, health, and service-related career fields. These programs are designed to prepare individuals to enter the job market in just 24 months. Program completion time is based on full-time enrollment of 15 credit hours or more during the semester. The Associate of Applied Science degree is designed to prepare a student for the workforce. It should not be assumed that the degree or the courses in the degree can be transferred to another institution. While a few institutions have recently accepted some courses in A.A.S. programs, the general rule is that courses in A.A.S. degrees are not accepted in transfer toward bachelor’s degrees. However, students may contact the transferring institution and inquire about the transfer of specific courses. We recommend that students get any assurances in writing.

TECHNICAL CERTIFICATES

Technical Certificates are typically 12 to 18 months in length and provide entry-level skills in specific technical, business, health, and service-oriented career fields.

CERTIFICATES OF PROFICIENCY

Certificates of Proficiency are 8 to 16 credit hour awards. The Certificate of Proficiency in Early Childhood Development provides coursework for students desiring to pursue the CDA-credential. The Certificate of Proficiency in Emergency Medical Technician prepares students to take the National Registry Emergency Medical Technician Examination. Certificates of Proficiency in Computer Information Systems are offered in the areas of computer maintenance and networking technology. The Nursing Assisting Certificate of Proficiency is an approved program that meets state and federal requirements and prepares graduates to take the Certified Nursing Assistant examination. The graduates are prepared to provide caregiving in long-term care facilities, home health agencies, and hospitals assisting dependent elderly, home care clients, and hospital patients. The Certificate of Proficiency in Petroleum Technology provides an introduction to the petroleum industry. Certificates of Proficiency in Welding Technology are offered in the areas of structural welding and pipe welding.

SOURCE

“Arkansas Wages” information in this booklet was provided by the U.S. Department of Labor - Bureau of Labor Statistics – Occupational Employment Statistics from May 2013. Information provided is for informational purposes only and may not accurately reflect actual starting salaries.