



A Course of Study for

NURSE ASSISTANT PRE-CERTIFICATION TRAINING PROGRAM, CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION (NONCREDIT)

The Nurse Assistant Pre-Certification Program is consistent with SMC's Mission to assist students in the development of skills needed to succeed in college and prepare for a career as a certified nurse assistant and home health aide. The 180-hour curriculum prepares students to achieve the knowledge, skills and abilities essential to work as entry-level nurse assistants caring for patients in hospitals, assisted living, and long-term care settings. The courses consist of 17 lecture and 17 lab modules as required by the California Department of Public Health, which focus on essential aspects of patient care, such as patients' rights, body mechanics, taking vital signs, rehabilitative nursing, and more.

For additional career possibilities, visit the Career Services Center on the main campus to utilize computerized career information systems and other valuable career resources.

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Program Learning Outcomes: Upon completion of the program, students will demonstrate competency in the knowledge, skills, and abilities essential for home health aides working as a member of the healthcare team as evidenced by providing safe, quality care, communicating effectively, incorporating legal and ethical values, and assisting patients in attaining and maintaining maximum functional independence.

AREA OF EMPHASIS: (108 HOURS)

Required Course:

HEALTH 985	Nurse Assistant Pre-Certification Foundation Training	72 Hours
HEALTH 986	Nurse Assistant Pre-Certification Foundation Training Clinical Training Lab	108 Hours