

Academic Plan Proposal

Program Description:

UNLV Continuing Education is partnering with the Parry Foundation's Academy of Health to offer the Certified Nursing Assistant Training Program. Certified Nursing Assistants (CNAs) offer patients compassion and patience while assisting them with day-to-day life tasks such as dressing, bathing and feeding. CNAs enjoy solid job security and frequently work a flexible schedule. Typical work environments include long-term care facilities, hospitals, clinics and in the home.

While in school, you will be instructed on a broad range of subjects, including infection control, communication and interpersonal skills, safety and emergency procedures, personal care skills, psychosocial needs, basic restorative services and skills, basic nursing skills, quality improvement and more. The training is 96 hours and takes four weeks to complete, preparing you to take the Nevada State Board of Nursing exam. Textbook, workbook and one set of scrubs (top and bottom) is included in the tuition. Students will need to purchase white shoes, stethoscope and additional scrubs. Students will also need to pay and complete additional licensing requirements to become certified including complete a fingerprinting/background check, the license application, the clinical skills

Prerequisites and Admissions Requirements:

Persons wishing to enroll in the Perry Foundation Academy of Health CNA Program must be 18 years of age and show proof of high school diploma or equivalency, complete the enrollment agreement and interview with the school's Academic Director or Program Director. This process ensures each prospective student is capable of completing the program and understands the admission requirements.

Background checks and drug screens are a requirement of the program. If a student declines, or if the background or drug screen is unsatisfactory to the Perry Foundation or clinical training sites, the student will not be permitted to participate in the program. Students are admitted to the program, subject to the results of the background check and drug screen.

Enrollment into the program is subject to the approval by the Academic Director once all prerequisites have been met, an interview has been conducted, and the required deposit has been made

Program Learning Outcomes:

- Students will be able to demonstrate knowledge of common elements required for certification by the Nevada State Board of Nursing. This will be measured by student achievement of a passing grade on instructor developed and administered final examinations.
- Students will be able to demonstrate compliance with standards of practice for nursing assistants. This will be measured by an administered skills test given at the end of each semester to each student that contains core elements of practice such as privacy, safety dignity and patient rights.
- Students will be able to demonstrate competence with all skills required for certification. This will be measured by an administered skills competency test given at the end of each semester that contains elements of all required steps for all required skills.

Program Requirements:

To earn the Certified Nursing Assistant Certificate, you must successfully complete the Certified Nursing Assistant Training Course (9.6 CEUs)

Required Courses:

- Certified Nursing Assistant Training (96 hours, 9.6 CEUs) (NA1100)

Elective Courses:

None

About This Program:

The Certified Nursing Assistant program is designed to meet the needs of Southern Nevada for a prepared and educated workforce in healthcare. This entry level program provides an opportunity for members of the community interested in pursuing a career in healthcare to explore the patient care experience.