

# Nursing Assistant Home Health Aide CERTIFICATE

## Program Overview

Nursing assistants and Home Health Aides provide direct client care under the direction of a nurse or doctor in a variety of health care settings. Using technical skills learned in both the classroom and clinical setting, nursing assistants and home health aides perform such tasks as feeding, bathing, positioning, ambulating and comfort measures for the client. Students explore and discuss legal, ethical and safety issues in client care. Students are prepared to take the National Nurse Aide Assessment Program (NNAAP) test to be placed on the Minnesota State Nursing Assistant Registry.

Qualifications include achieving appropriate assessment scores as indicated in Minimum Program Entry Requirements.

Licensing certification or registry status are independent of graduation requirements.

## Career Opportunities

Graduates of the Nursing Assistant/Home Health Aide Program must successfully take and complete the nursing assistant test exam administered through the designated State testing service to be placed on the Minnesota State Nursing Assistant Registry. Nursing assistants must be on the registry to be employed in the long term care setting.

In Minnesota, employment for nursing assistants is expected to grow at an average rate. Nationally, the number of jobs is expected to grow faster than average.

Upon completion of this course, certified nursing homes or certified boarding care homes are required to reimburse for training and testing expenses paid by the student. This is to be done 90 days from the date of employment.

Note: reimbursement is not paid to third parties.

Licensing or certification exams are independent of graduation requirements.

## Program Outcomes

1. Graduates will be prepared to provide direct client care in a long term care facility or home health care setting.
2. Graduates will be prepared to meet the requirements to be placed on the Minnesota State Nursing Assistant Registry.

## Program Faculty

Please contact the Health Programs Administrative Assistant at 651.846.1413.

## Additional Program Material Costs

Students should expect to spend approximately \$327.00 beyond the cost of tuition and fees for Minnesota registry test, books, supplies or uniforms.

## Program Requirements

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Students must take both NAST 1111 and NAST 1112 in the same term. Classes are offered fall, spring and summer.

- NAST 1111 Nursing Assistant & Home Health Aide. . . . . 4
- NAST 1112 Nursing Assistant – Clinical. . . . . 1

**Total Program Credits . . . . . 5**

## Program Start Dates

Fall, Spring, Summer

*Information is subject to change.  
This Program Requirements Guide is not a contract.*

### Minimum Program Entry Requirements

Students entering this program must meet the following minimum program entry requirements:

**Reading:** Score of 225+ or grade of "C" or better in READ 0721

OR

**ESL Reading:** Score of 81 or better

### Assessment Results and Prerequisites:

Students admitted into Saint Paul College programs may need to complete additional courses based on assessment results and course prerequisite requirements. Certain MATH, READ, and ENGL courses have additional prerequisites.

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