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HEALTH CARE

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Program Overview

The HCA Program is designed for students who want to be certified to work as a Health Care Assistant (HCA). Health care assistants are the frontline care providers in a variety of institutional and community settings. HCAs aid in the basic care of patients, under the direction of nurses, hospital staff, and physicians. They provide professional care and supervision in protective and supportive health care environments, for clients/residents who have complex health challenges. Through this course, students will gain skills and experience, first working in the classroom & lab, then practicum

Career Opportunities

Graduates of HCA program will gain specific skills in healthcare and be job ready on graduating and earning upto \$25 per hour. Every sub sector of healthcare industry requires skilled people. As a graduate from this program, you will be eligible for a number of job titles including:

- Hospital wards
- Residential long term facilities
- Extended care facilities
- · Assisted living facilities

- Group homes
- Home support
 Agencies



PROGRAM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Program Admission Requirements

Applicants will be required to meet the following minimum criteria:

Prior to acceptance:

a. Proof of Grade 12 graduation or mature student status (19 Years or older) AND b. Candidates with following language benchmarks

Applicants Whose First Language is English

Evidence of one of the following:

- Proof of completion of Grade 10 English; or
- College courses determined to be equivalent to completion of Grade 10 English (or higher) by post-secondary institutions. Applicants must produce transcripts as evidence of completion. A minimum of a C grade is acceptable.
- Canadian Adult Achievement Test (CAAT): Reading Comprehension 35/50 Spelling 23/32
- Language Placement Index (LPI): The three individual scores (Sentence Structure, English Usage, and Reading Comprehension) must total a minimum of 20, out of a maximum possible score of 40. Essay level of 4, with a minimum essay score of 24/40
- Accuplacer: Grade 10 level or higher Recommended Cut Scores*: Reading Comprehension 60, Sentences Skill 55, Write placer 4





PROGRAM DURATION

Applicants Whose First Language is not English:

Assessment	Assessment Name	Required Minimum Category
CAEL	Canadian Academic English Language Assessment	Overall, 60 (with no section less than 50)
CELPIP	Canadian English Language Proficiency Index Program	Overall, 7 (with no less than 6 in reading and writing)
CLB	Canadian Language Benchmark	7
IELTS	International English Language Testing System	6 (with no band less than 6.0)
TOEFL	Test of English as a Foreign Language, IBT	Overall, 76 (no score less than 20)

Notes for Admission:

- Proof of meeting current immunizations / vaccinations as per health care organization policies / guidelines (or signed vaccination exemption form, except TB)
- Criminal record check from the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General of Justice, including clearance to work with vulnerable adults
- Standard First Aid
- CPR Level "C" or "HCP"
- Foodsafe Level 1
- Provincial Violence Prevention Curriculum (PVPC) E-Learning Modules

Program Duration

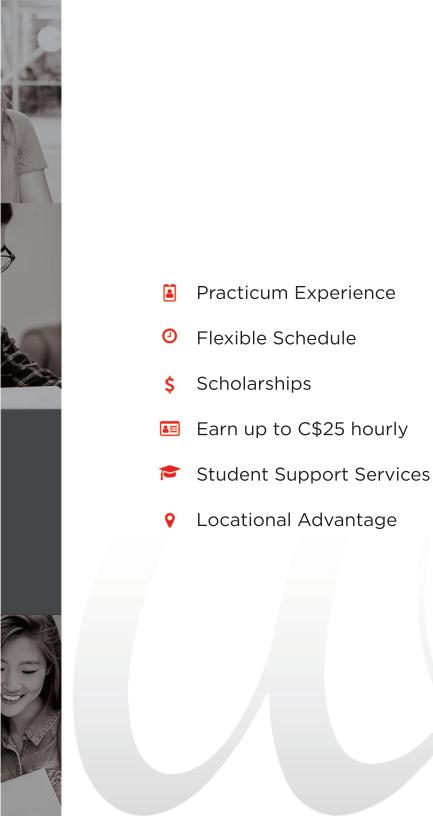
Full Time 745 Hours/ 24 weeks Part Time 745 Hours / 37 weeks.



WHY HCA?







PROGRAM OUTLINE & FEE STRUCTURE

Program Outline

Course Name	# of Hours
Health and Healing: Concepts for Practice	70
Interpersonal Communications	50
Health 2: Lifestyle and Choices	30
Health Care Assistant: Introduction to Practice	30
Healing 1: Caring for Individuals Experiencing Common Health Challenges	115
Healing 2: Caring for Individuals Experiencing Cognitive or Mental Challenges	60
Healing 3: Personal Care and Assistance	120
Practice Experience in Multi-Level and/or Complex Care	210
Practice Experience in Home Support and/or Assisted Living	60
TOTAL	745

Domestic Students

Fee information for the 2022 - 2023 year:

Particulars	Fees
Application Fee	\$250
Tuition Fee	\$5750
Book Fee	\$175
Course Materials	\$75
TOTAL	\$6250

STUDENT AID



International Students

Fee information for the 2022 - 2023 year:

Particulars	Fees
Application Fee	\$250
Tuition Fee	\$9000
Book Fee	\$175
Course Materials	\$75
TOTAL	\$9500

Financial Aid

Western Community College offers a variety of financial aid opportunities to ease students' stress and allow them to focus on their studies. If you need extra support, we have flexible funding to accommodate all our students, no matter their financial situation.

Basic Eligbility Requirements

To receive student financial assistance, you must meet all of these basic eligibility criteria:

- be a Canadian citizen, a permanent resident or have protected person status
- have a valid Canadian social insurance number
- be a resident of British Columbia
- be pursuing full-time studies as your primary occupation
- be enrolled in an eligible program of study at an eligible post-secondary institution
- · be able to demonstrate financial need
- make academic progress and achieve satisfactory scholastic standing in each period of postsecondary study



ADDONS

Dementia Care

This program helps health care workers understand the complexity of Dementia and develop the skills required to support dementia care patients and their families

Duration: 2 Days

Palliative Care

Palliative care is provided to dying or terminally ill patients, who have an incurable disease, with the objective of improving the quality of life of the patient

Duration: 2 Days

Community Mental Health

The certificate in the Mental Health program builds a student's professional skills in the healthcare field

Duration: 2 Months

Activity Assistant

The Activity Assistant Certificate is designed for individuals who have the desire to implement and evaluate activity programs in a care facility.

Duration: 3 Months











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