

Nursing Assistant

Course Overview and Syllabus

Course Number: EL3610

Grade level: 10–12

Prerequisite Courses: Varies by state

Credits: 1.0

Course Description

This two-semester course prepares students to provide and assist with all aspects of activities of daily living and nursing care for the adult patient in hospital, long-term care, and home settings. Through direct instruction, interactive skills demonstrations, and practice assignments, students are taught the basics of nurse assisting, including interpersonal skills, medical terminology, care procedures, legal and ethical responsibilities, safe and efficient work, gerontology, nutrition, emergency skills, and employability skills. Successful completion of this course from an approved program prepares the student for state certification for employment as a Nursing Assistant.

Course Objectives

Throughout the course, you will meet the following goals:

- Describe the role of the Nursing Assistant in the healthcare environment
- Know the legal and ethical responsibilities specific to nurse assisting
- Perform patient care procedures
- Perform physical comfort and safety functions specific to nurse assisting
- Perform activities of daily living (ADLs)
- Analyze effective techniques for communicating with a diverse patient population
- Understand the principles of immobility and patient positioning
- Know how to maintain patient dignity and provide culturally sensitive care

Student Expectations

This course requires the same level of commitment from you as a traditional classroom course would. Throughout this course, you are expected to spend approximately five to seven hours per week online on the following activities:

- Interactive lessons that include a mixture of instructional segments and tasks
- Assignments in which you apply and extend learning in each lesson
- Assessments, including tests and cumulative exams

Communication

Your teacher will communicate with you regularly through discussions, e-mail, chat, and system

announcements. You will also communicate with classmates, either via online tools or face to face, as you collaborate on projects, ask and answer questions in your peer group, and develop your speaking and listening skills.

Grading Policy

You will be graded on the work you do online and the work you submit electronically to your teacher. The weighting for each category of graded activity is listed below.

Grading Category	Weight
Assignments	55%
Essays	0%
Labs	0%
Lesson Quizzes	0%
Unit Tests	30%
Cumulative Exams	10%
Projects	5%

Scope and Sequence

When you log into Edgenuity, you can view the entire course map—an interactive scope and sequence of all topics you will study. The units of study are summarized below:

Unit 1: Nurse Assisting

Unit 2: Legal and Ethical Aspects

Unit 3: Physiologic Aspects

Unit 4: Psychosocial Aspects

Unit 5: Infections and Infection Control

Unit 6: Safety and Emergencies

Unit 7: Communication

Unit 8: Activities of Daily Living

Unit 9: Mobility and Positioning

Unit 10: Common Procedures

Unit 11: Optional Procedures