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## CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

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### NURSE ASSISTING (Certificate) Plan 21NB

This program is required by the State of Illinois for all nurse assistants employed in long term care. **Upon successful completion of this program, students must take the Illinois Nurse Aide Competency Examination (INACE) to become a Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA).**

CNAs are assistants to licensed nurses. They provide hands-on care to those who are unable to care for themselves. In this program, students learn basic nurse assisting skills and related knowledge necessary to care for the elderly in long term care. Emphasis is placed on the role of the CNA as part of the healthcare team and its legal and ethical implications.

This course consists of both classroom and clinical laboratory experiences. Day, evening, weekend, and blended options are available. Classes are offered at all CLC campuses. Clinicals are conducted at long term care facilities and hospitals throughout the community.

This program is approved by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), 525 West Jefferson, Springfield, IL 62761, [www.idph.state.il.us](http://www.idph.state.il.us). To successfully complete the course, students must satisfy the state required hours of attendance. **Students who fail to attend the first day of class or clinical or fail to meet the state required hours of attendance will not be allowed to continue in the course.** Students MUST OFFICIALLY WITHDRAW THEMSELVES from the course by the refund date listed in the current class schedule in order to cancel their financial obligations.

The State of Illinois Health Care Worker Background Check Act of 1995 requires a fingerprint criminal background check on all individuals registering for the program. Students with disqualifying convictions will not be allowed to register. Disqualifying convictions can be viewed at [www.idph.state.il.us/nar](http://www.idph.state.il.us/nar).

### PREREQUISITES

- Be at least 16 years of age.
- Have a valid social security number.
- Complete a fingerprint criminal background check for the IDPH Health Care Worker Registry.
- Meet the Reading Requirement.
- Meet the Health Requirements.

For information on how to meet the above prerequisites and for additional program information, refer to the Nurse Assisting Fact Sheet at <http://dept.clcillinois.edu/nur/NAfactSheet.pdf>.

Note: CNA certification is a prerequisite for the Associate in Applied Science Nursing Program. While many nurse assisting students continue on to become nurses, others pursue careers in a variety of other healthcare fields.

### CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS

To receive the *Nurse Assisting Certificate of Course Completion*, and to be eligible to take the INACE to become a CNA, a student must receive a minimum grade of "C" in the following course, meet attendance requirements, and demonstrate competency in all basic nurse assisting skills.

<b>FIRST SEMESTER</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>NUR 110*</b> Nurse Assisting	7
Blended course (combined online and in-person) option available	

<b>Total Hours for Certificate of Course Completion</b>	<b>7</b>
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### TYPICAL JOBS

- Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA)
- Patient Care Technician (PCT)

### EMPLOYERS

- Long term care facilities
- Assisted living facilities
- Home care
- Hospitals

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