

## **Shelton State Community College Nursing Assistant/Home Health Aide Program**

Thank you for your interest in the Shelton State Community College Nursing Assistant/Home Health Aide Program (NA/HHA). The NA/HHA Program is a ten (10) credit hour program. The NA/HHA Program prepares the student to sit for the National Nurse Aide Assessment Program (NNAAP) certification exam, which is administered by Pearson VUE. After completion of the program, a student is eligible to take the NNAAP certification exam. Students who demonstrate competency on the exam are placed on the Alabama Nurse Aide Registry. Courses include classroom, lab, and clinical experiences at local healthcare facilities. A graduate is qualified for employment in the areas of long-term care, home healthcare, and acute care. The Nursing Assistant Program is approved by the Alabama Department of Public Health. Classes begin each semester.

### **Admission Requirements for the NA/HHA Program**

1. Applicants must submit a completed application for admission to Shelton State Community College. (If you have attended Shelton State previously, then you do not have to complete the application again.)
2. Applicants must complete an application for admission to the NA/HHA Program. (Submit the application to the nursing office prior to beginning the program or by the first day of class.)
3. Applicants must submit a copy of an official high school transcript or GED to the SSCC Enrollment Services Office, 9500 Old Greensboro Rd., Tuscaloosa, AL 35405. Note: Career Pathway students must score a 9<sup>th</sup> grade equivalency on the Level D Reading Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) and contact the Adult Education office at 205.391.2665 for further application procedures. Students who wish to qualify for the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) funding must apply for Pell Grant funding and contact one of the Alabama Career Centers.

### **Progression Policies**

A grade of C or above (75% or above) **must** be maintained in each nursing course to complete the program. **For courses that have both a theory and laboratory component, a student must pass both components with 75% or above in order to pass the course.** If the student fails a nursing course, then the student may **repeat the course one time ONLY**. If the student does not earn a passing grade of 75% or above on the second attempt, then the student is suspended from the NA/HHA Program for a period of one calendar year.

### **Certificate Completion/Graduation**

To participate in SSCC graduation and/or receive a certificate from the SSCC Nursing Assistant/Home Health Aide Program, students must complete all of the required nursing assistant courses, academic courses, and required home health aide courses listed in both split terms of the program.

### **Information about Certification**

The Alabama Department of Health has contracted with Pearson VUE to develop, score, and report the results of the competency exam that is required for certification and placement in the Alabama Nurse Aide Registry. NACES Plus Foundation, Inc. works with Pearson VUE to schedule and administer the examination. To be eligible, candidates must have completed a nurse aide training course that is approved by the Alabama Department of Health's Division of Provider Services within the last twenty-four months. Individuals who demonstrate competency on the exam are placed on the Nurse Aide Registry maintained by the Alabama Department of Public Health Provider Services, P.O. Box 303017,

Montgomery, AL 36130 (phone 334.206.5169). To maintain certification, a nurse aide must work at least eight (8) hours in twenty-four (24) months. If not, then the nurse aide must retrain and retest.

The examination process consists of two parts, the skills evaluation and the written (or oral) exam, which are administered on the same day. A candidate must pass both parts in order to be certified and listed on the Alabama Nurse Aide Registry. To obtain registration information, contact the nursing office or call the National Nurse Aide Assessment Program (NNAAP) at 1.888.204.6185. A candidate may also download a candidate handbook and view the Nurse Aide Practice Written Examination at [www.pearsonvue.com](http://www.pearsonvue.com).

**Approximate Cost for the NA/HHA Program (Full Time): Prices are subject to change.**

|  | <b>NA/HHA</b>      |
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| Tuition & Fees (\$148.00 per semester hour)  | \$1,480.00         |
| Liability Insurance  | \$ 15.00           |
| Pre-clinical Screening Fee   | \$ 30.00           |
| Books (approximate cost)   | \$ 100.00          |
| Uniforms/Supplies (approximate cost)<br>(2 uniforms, shoes, white hose, watch with a second hand, stethoscope, and scissors) | \$ 330.00          |
| Background Check   | \$ 18.00           |
| Campus Access & Accident Insurance Fees  | \$ 13.50           |
| Certification Exam (Skills Evaluation/Written Exam)  | <u>\$ 100.00</u>   |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$ 2,086.50</b> |

**Nursing Assistant/Home Health Aide Curriculum**

| <b>Course Name &amp; Number</b>                                   | <b>Credits</b> | <b>Theory Hrs./Wk.</b> | <b>Lab Hrs./Wk.</b> | <b>Clinical Hrs./Wk.</b> | <b>Contact Hrs./Wk.</b> | <b>Total for Curriculum</b> |
|---|----------------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>NAS 120 Fundamentals of Nursing Assistant/Home Health Aide</b> | 7              | 5                      | 6                   | 0                        | 11                      | 165                         |
| <b>NAS 121 Fundamentals of Nursing Assistant/Home Health Aide</b> | 3              | 0                      | 0                   | 9                        | 9                       | 135                         |
| <b>Semester Totals</b>  | <b>10</b>      | <b>5</b>               | <b>6</b>            | <b>9</b>                 | <b>20</b>               | <b>300</b>                  |

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