


Technical College Major: Patient Care Assisting

High School Career Concentration: Nursing

Courses	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12	1 <sup>st</sup> Year College	2 <sup>nd</sup> Year College
<b>English</b>	Ninth Grade Literature and Composition	Tenth Grade Literature and Composition	American Literature and Composition	12 <sup>th</sup> Grade Literature and Composition	ENG 1010 Fundamentals of English I	
<b>Mathematics</b>	Math I OR Accelerated Math I	Math II OR Accelerated Math II	Math III or Accelerated Math III/ AP/IB	Math IV OR Calculus OR AP Calculus	MAT 1012 Foundations of Mathematics	
<b>Science</b>	Biology I	Physical Science OR Physics	Chemistry OR Environmental Science	Science Elective	PSY 1010 Basic Psychology	
<b>Social Studies</b>	American Government/ Civics	World History	US History	Economics/ Business	SCT 100 * Introduction to Microcomputers	
<b>Career/Technical</b>			 <b>Option during 11th &amp; 12th</b> <b>Patient Care Assisting</b> <b>Technical Certificate of Credit</b>		<b>AHS 1011</b> Anatomy and Physiology <b>AHS 102</b> Drug Calculation and Administration <b>AHS 104 *</b> Introduction to Healthcare <i>***SPECIAL SELECTION PROCESS to Continue *****</i> <i>Practical Nursing Specialized Occupational Courses</i> <b>NSG 110</b> Nursing Fundamentals <b>NSG 112</b> Medical Surgical Nursing I <b>NPT 112</b> Medical Surgical Nursing I Practicum <b>NSG 113</b> Medical Surgical Nursing II <b>NPT 113</b> Medical Surgical Nursing II Practicum <b>NSG 213</b> Obstetrical Nursing <b>NPT 213</b> Obstetrical Nursing Practicum <b>NSG 213</b> Pediatric Nursing <b>NPT 212</b> Pediatric Nursing Practicum <b>NPT 215</b> Nursing Leader Ship Practicum <b>NSG 215</b> Nursing Leadership	
			<b>CNA 100 – CNA Fundamentals +, %</b>			
			<b>AHS 103 – Nutrition and Diet Therapy +, %</b>			
			<b>AHS 109 – Medical Terminology +, %</b>			
			<b>EMP 1000 – Interpersonal Relations and Professional Develop +, %</b>			

The sample Nurse Assisting careers listed below can be viewed at: [www.occsupplydemand.net](http://www.occsupplydemand.net) Salary and Wage Information can be found at [O\\*Net OnLine](#)

Career	US Average Annual Salary	Regional Salary	GA Average Annual Salary	2006-2016 Employment Outlook
Nursing Aids, Oederlies, Attendants (TCC)	\$23,200	\$17, 600	\$19, 300	Faster than average, + 18% nationally, +27% in GA
Licensed Practical Nurse (Diploma)	\$37,900	\$34,400	\$35,200	Faster than average, + 14% nationally, +19% in GA

**Award Conferred**  
**Technical Certificate of Credit or Diploma**

Required College Credits for Degree: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Potential Earned College Credits: **16**  
 Hours Remaining to Reach Degree: \_\_\_\_\_

**\* Possible Articulated Credit**  
**+ Dual Enrollment Courses**  
**# ACCEL Courses**  
**% Joint Enrolled Courses**

**Average College Savings \$1088.20**

# NURSING PATHWAY

An estimated 3.6 million new health care wage and salary jobs will be created by 2014, more than in any other industry. Registered nurses make up the largest health care occupation with 2.4 million jobs. Students interested in pursuing a nursing career will have excellent job opportunities; employment of RNs is projected to increase more than 27% by 2014, creating the second largest number of new jobs among all occupations.

Three out of five RN jobs are in hospitals, but rapid job growth is expected in hospital outpatient facilities, such as same-day surgery, rehabilitations, and chemotherapy. Growth is also expected in nursing care facilities and in home health care. Home health aides are expected to gain jobs faster than other aides as a result of growing demand for home services from an aging population and efforts to contain costs by moving patients out of hospitals and nursing care facilities as quickly as possible. RNs with a bachelor degree will have better job prospects than those with either an associate degree or a diploma.

Consumer preference for care in the home and improvements in medical technologies for in-home treatment also will contribute to much-faster-than-average employment growth for home health aides. Employment of nursing aides is expected to grow faster than the average for all occupations through 2016, in response to the long-term care needs of an increasing elderly population. Financial pressures on hospitals to discharge patients as soon as possible should boost admissions to nursing care facilities. As a result, job openings will be more numerous in nursing and residential care facilities than in hospitals. Modern medical technology also will drive demand for nursing aides because as the technology saves and extends more lives, it increases the need for long-term care provided by aides.

Those considering a nursing career should have a strong desire to help others, a genuine concern for the welfare of patients and clients, and an ability to deal with people of diverse backgrounds in stressful situations. If you take the sequenced healthcare courses recommended in this education and career plan, you can receive the American Heart Association Basic Life Support Certification, American Red Cross CPR and First Aid Certification, Georgia Medical Care Foundation Certification for Nursing Assistant, and the National Health Care Foundation Skills Standards Certification upon graduation from high school. There are many and varied areas of nursing, including Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse (LPN/LVN) and Registered Nurse (RN). Most nursing programs require education beyond high school, including diploma programs, associate degree programs, and bachelor degree programs and beyond.

Once you complete all your education and training, you will need to be licensed as an Advanced Practice Nurse, a Registered Nurse (RN), or a Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse (LPN/LVN). As in many other professions, nurses must be licensed in the state where they work. You must take the NCLEX-RN® or NCLEX-PN® license examination to become a licensed nurse. For more information about nurse licensure and public protection, consult the [National Council of State Boards of Nursing](#).

For more information, visit these websites:

American Nurses Association – [www.nursingworld.org](http://www.nursingworld.org)

American Association of Colleges of Nursing

[www.aacn.nche.edu](http://www.aacn.nche.edu)

[www.GAcollge411.org](http://www.GAcollge411.org)

[www.dol.state.ga.us](http://www.dol.state.ga.us)

[www.discovernursing.com](http://www.discovernursing.com)