

Atlantic Technical College, Arthur Ashe Jr., Campus
Patient Care Assistant
Integrated Educational Training
Program Syllabus
2026-2027

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 Monday - Friday
 Class Hours: 7:05 AM - 1:50 PM
 Break: 9:30 AM - 9:45 AM
 Lunch: 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Program Name:
Patient Care Assistant

OCP	Course Number	Course Name	Hours
A	HCP0124	Nursing Assistant	165
B	HCP0333	Accelerated Home Health Aide	25
C	HCP0021	Patient Care Assistant	45

Technical College Policy/Adult Student Attendance:

- A student must be withdrawn after being absent for six (6) consecutive days.
- Two (2) additional absences may be allowed under certain circumstances with appropriate documentation.
- Please refer to the Student Handbook for postsecondary students.

ATC Student Handbook

Required Book(s) and/or Online Access:

- AHA CPR for Healthcare Providers (2023)
- Hartwell (2024). Nursing Assisting: A Foundation in Caregiving. (Textbook and Workbook).

Clinical/Laboratory Equipment and Materials:

- CPR valve
- Stethoscope
- Gait belt
- Watch with second hand
- Black/Red pens
- Black sharpie (thick and thin)
- Composition notebook

Required Materials/Supplies:

- Program uniform
- Dividers
- Loose leaf ruled paper
- Index cards
- Black and red ink pen
- #2 Pencil with eraser
- Highlighter

All required books and most materials/supplies can be purchased from the ATC bookstore. Stop by during operational hours for pricing and purchasing information.

Grading System:

A 90 - 100%
 B 80 - 89%
 C 70 - 79%
 D 60 - 69%
 F 0 - 59%
 I Incomplete

Additional Program Specific Grading Information:

Clinical Rotation: Pass/Fail

Theory Grade is comprised of 90% test scores and 10% assignments, homework and projects at teacher's discretion.

View Your Grades:

Grades can be viewed online by following the directions below:

1. Go to Clever SSO Website link and login: Username: 10-digit student ID number; Password: PMM/DD/YYYY (or your personally created password after initial login).
2. Click on the FOCUS app on your Clever opening page.
3. Enter your FOCUS username and password.

NOTE: If the Focus App is not visible after logging into Clever, please navigate to the Broward Focus website directly.

[Clever SSO](#)[Broward Focus](#)**Classroom/Lab Rules:**Please see classroom/clinical/lab rules posted on Canvas: [Canvas](#)**Industry Certification & State Credential****Exam Cost:**

Certified Nursing Assistant upon passing the Florida Board of Nursing Certification Exam.

- \$15 Practice Exam (each)
- \$35.00 Prometric Testing Fee
- \$97.00 LiveScan (background) Fee - dependent upon facility
- Estimated Total \$147.00 (prices are subject to change)

Outstanding Student Recognition Information:

A gold seal will be applied to a Program Completion Certificate or an Applied Technology Diploma if the student has earned a 3.5 GPA or higher in their Career and Technical Education (CTE) classes.

Patient Care Assistant**Course Number:** HCP0124**Course Name:** Nursing Assistant**Length:** 165 Hours**Occupational Completion Point:** A**Intended Outcomes:** (From FL DOE Curriculum Framework)

Students will be able to:

- Demonstrate knowledge of the healthcare delivery system and health occupations.
- Use verbal, written, and/or electronic communications specific to the nurse assistant.
- Demonstrate legal and ethical responsibilities specific to the nurse assistant.
- Apply basic math and science skills specific to the nurse assistant.
- Describe the anatomy and physiology of the human body.
- Demonstrate an understanding of and apply wellness and disease concepts.
- Perform physical comfort and safety functions specific to the nurse assistant.
- Apply the principles of infection control specific to the nurse assistant.
- Demonstrate knowledge of blood-borne diseases.
- Recognize and respond to emergency situations.
- Perform supervised organizational functions following the patient care plan.
- Provide biological, psychological, and social support.
- Provide personal patient care.
- Perform patient care procedures.
- Apply principles of nutrition.
- Provide care for geriatric patients.
- Assist with restorative (rehabilitative) activities.
- Demonstrate an understanding of information technology applications in healthcare.
- Demonstrate employability skills.

Course Number: HCP0333

Course Name: Accelerated Home Health Aide

Length: 25 Hours

Occupational Completion Point: B

Intended Outcomes: (From FL DOE Curriculum Framework)

Students will be able to:

- Use verbal and written communications specific to the Home Health Aide.
- Demonstrate legal and ethical responsibilities specific to a Home Health Aide.
- Perform physical comfort and safety functions specific to the Home Health Aide.
- Apply principles of nutrition specific to the Home Health Aide.
- Apply the principles of infection control specific to the Home Health Aide.
- Perform home health-care services.

Course Number: HCP0021

Course Name: Patient Care Assistant

Length: 45 Hours

Occupational Completion Point: C

Intended Outcomes: (From FL DOE Curriculum Framework)

Students will be able to:

- Perform nursing assistant skills related to the hospital setting.
- Provide nursing assistant care for the adult patient.