

# TEXARKANA COLLEGE

**Course Title:** Clinical for Nurse Aide

**Course Number:** NURA 1160 Spring 2024

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**Curriculum:** Texas Curriculum for Nurse Aides in Long-Term Care Facilities

**Textbook:** Nursing Assistant Care/Long-Term Care, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ed ISBN: 978-1-60425-041-1

**Materials Needed:** folder; pens/pencils/paper; watch with second hand; 1 pair of scrubs

**Exam Fee:** Students will be required to pay for ½ of the Texas Nurse Aide Certification Exam fee. Reimbursement will be paid upon successful completion of the exam. **(\$62.50 due by February 15, 2024)**

**Course Description:** Emphasis is placed on effective interaction with members of the health care team. Additionally, this course involves work-based learning that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts. Students will apply the knowledge and skills learned in NURA 1301 while in the clinical setting. Upon successful completion of the required hours for classroom and clinical time, students will be eligible to take the Texas Nurse Aide certification examination.

**Student Learning Outcomes:** Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to:

1. Demonstrate basic care of residents in long term care facilities.
2. Communicate and interact effectively with residents and their families based on sensitivity to the psychosocial needs of residents.
3. Promote safety measures.
4. Demonstrate skills in observing and reporting.
5. Assist residents in attaining and maintaining maximum functional independence.
6. Protect, support, and promote the rights of residents.
7. Function effectively as a member of the health care team.
8. Exhibit legal/ethical behavior and utilize appropriate written/verbal communication skills using the terminology of the occupation and the business/industry.
9. Successfully complete the Texas Nurse Aide Competency and Evaluation skills/written exam.

**Student's final grade for the semester will be determined by the following:**

Tests/Projects (Double-weighted)

Homework/Daily Grades/Quizzes

Final exam (Required – 20% of final grade)

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**Grading Scale:**

Grade	
A	90-100
B	80-89
C	70-79
D	60-69
F	59-below

**Late work is not accepted!** A zero will be given for any late/missing work.

If a student is absent the day an assignment is due, he/she is expected to turn it in on the day of return. If the student is absent the day an assignment is given, he/she will have the total number of days absent to complete the assignment. There will be a minimum of 15 daily grades and 3 test/project grades per grading period. Failure to make at least a 70 for the grading period will result in automatic removal from this course.

### Requirements for Job Shadowing/Volunteering/Clinical Training:

- Proof of completed Hepatitis B vaccination series, negative TB skin test, and other vaccines **as required by the facilities**
- Satisfactory criminal background check and drug screen
- Liability insurance
- Successful skill check-off/satisfactory attendance/coursework
- Heavy lifting

**Confidentiality:** All information gained in the nurse aide program relating to residents, families, health care providers, or any other private facility business is considered confidential information. Disclosure of any confidential information is cause for immediate dismissal from the CNA program.

**Contact Hours:** Basic resident care skills will be taught in the classroom and lab setting. After skills are mastered, students will apply these skills in the workplace. Students are required to complete at least 60 classroom hours and 40 clinical hours. **Students who fail to meet the compulsory attendance requirements will NOT be eligible to take the nurse aide certification exam.**

**Behavior:** This course is meant to prepare students for a job in the healthcare field; therefore, professional behavior is expected. Please adhere to the following rules while in this class or in the clinical setting.

- Cell phones and other electronic devices should be silenced and put away when entering the classroom. Chromebooks may be used at the teacher's discretion.
- No food should be consumed during class. Water bottles are permitted.
- Disrespectful comments and inappropriate language are not acceptable.
- Paper, class materials, books, and pencils/pens should be brought to class each day.
- Class time should be used wisely.
- Only use the equipment in the room if you have permission. If you break any equipment due to misuse, you will be required to pay for it.
- Be respectful of others.
- Pay attention. (No sleeping!)
- This course contains material about the human body/reproductive health/STDs, etc. Material will be presented in a professional manner, and students are expected to act appropriately. No crude/vulgar or offensive language will be tolerated.
- Please refer to the Texarkana College Student Handbook and the NBISD Student Code of Conduct for the full list of rules, policies, and procedures related to student conduct.
- Students must be punctual for all off-campus clinical experiences. After 15 minutes, a tardy is considered an absence. Clinical attendance is an integral part of the class.
- Food/drink may only be consumed during an authorized break in the clinical setting. No food/drink should be consumed in class.
- Cell phones and other electronic devices may NOT be used in the clinical setting.
- All equipment and supplies must be handled carefully. Students will be required to pay for equipment that is lost or broken while in their care.
- Infection control measures and proper body mechanics will be utilized while in the workplace and during lab skills.
- Students will only perform the skills for which they have been trained.
- Honesty is vital. Any errors or mistakes will be reported to the instructor immediately.
- Sensitive topics are covered in this course. Students are expected to use proper anatomical terms and to approach these topics in a mature, professional, and respectful manner.
- If you must miss clinical due to an illness or other emergency, you must notify Mrs. Grider immediately. **Texting, emailing, or sending a message via a classmate is not acceptable.** Failure to follow these guidelines will result in a written reprimand for the first violation. The second violation constitutes grounds for **dismissal from the program.**
- A scrub suit will be required for each off-campus clinical. Only solid color scrubs will be permitted. **Scrubs must be CLEAN and IRONED and must fit appropriately.** Closed-toe shoes are required. Socks must be matching. A student I.D. badge must be worn at all times during any clinical training. Badges are provided by NBISD.
- Only small earrings are allowed during clinical training. (No other jewelry) Any additional body piercings (including tongue piercings) and/or gauges must be covered or removed and cannot be visible while in any clinical setting.
- Fingernails must be short and clean. **Artificial nails are inappropriate for clinical training.**
- Students must wear a watch with a second hand while performing vital signs. (No digital watches)
- Good personal hygiene must be maintained at all times by students enrolled in this program.

- Hair should be neat and clean. Hair must be secured away from the face.

**Academic Integrity Statement:** Scholastic dishonesty, involving but not limited to cheating on a test, plagiarism, collusion, or falsification of records will make the student liable for disciplinary action after being investigated by the Dean of Students. **Proven violations of this nature will result in the student being dropped from the class with an “F”.** This policy applies campus wide, including TC Testing Center, as well as off-campus classroom or lab sites, including dual credit campuses. This information can be found in the Student Handbook at <https://texarkanacollege.edu>.

**Disability Act Statement:** Texarkana College complies with all provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act and makes reasonable accommodations upon request. Please contact Larry Andrews at 903.823.3283, or go by the Recruitment, Advisement, and Retention Department located in the Administration building for personal assistance.

**Financial Aid: **Attention!**** Dropping this class may affect your funding in a negative way! You could owe money to the college and/or federal government. Please check with the Financial Aid office before making a decision.

**Texarkana College Student Counselor: (903) 823-3143      Suicide Hotline: 1-800-273-8255**

**Student Retention and Support Services:** A student retention specialist is available for every student enrolled in the Pharmacy Technician Program. Karen Holt will help you with study skills, referral to Student Support Services, resume writing, job interview skills, direction to social support programs, and other services. Mrs. Holt can be contacted at [Karen.holt@TexarkanaCollege.edu](mailto:Karen.holt@TexarkanaCollege.edu) or at 903-823-3551. Her office is located in the Health Occupations building 2<sup>nd</sup> floor office # 351. Student Support Services is a federally funded program designed to give a helping hand to Texarkana College students who show potential for success in college, but who need assistance in their efforts. Students entering the program have a variety of needs encompassing economic, academic, cultural, and handicapped challenges. Student Support services can help you by offering career information, tutoring, study skills, and college transfer information.

Student Support Services  
Career Education Center, Room 106  
2500 N. Robison Road  
Texarkana, Texas 75501  
903-823-3381

Office Hours  
8:00 am – 5:00 pm  
Monday - Friday

#### **Basic Needs Security Statement**

Any student who has difficulty affording groceries or accessing enough food to eat every day, or who lacks a safe and stable place to live and believes this may affect their performance in this course or ability to remain in school, is urged to contact Tonja Blase, Director of Student Retention, at 903.823.3349 for support. Furthermore, please notify the professor if you are comfortable in doing so. This will enable them to provide any resources that they may possess.

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Human Resources Director  
(903) 823-3017  
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