

CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT

Certified nursing assistants (CNA) help provide basic care for patients in hospitals and residents of long-term care facilities such as nursing homes. This semester-long course features classroom instruction and clinical training including resident care skills, vital signs, nutrition, emergency procedures, and rehabilitation. **For more information, visit SimiInstitute.org or call 805.579.6200.**



COURSE FEE: \$1,300 | OFFERED IN SPRING & FALL SEMESTERS

Students must be 18 years, and speak, read, and write English at 9th grade level. The first day of class will consist of an orientation that includes a mandatory reading comprehension test.

WORK ENVIRONMENT

Most nursing assistants work in hospitals and nursing care facilities. Some work in ambulatory healthcare services, continuing care retirement communities, assisted living facilities for the elderly, and government facilities.

The work of nursing assistants can be physically demanding as it requires lifting and standing. Most CNAs work full time and may need to work nights, weekends, and holidays.

JOB DUTIES

- Clean and bathe patients or residents
- Help patients use the toilet and dress
- Turn, reposition, and transfer patients between beds and wheelchairs
- Listen to and record patients' health concerns and report that information to nurses
- Measure patients' vital signs including blood pressure and temperature