

## GERIATRIC NURSING ASSISTANT (GNA) NUR 101 (5 credits) Admission Requirements and Registration Information

### Orientation Seminar

Prospective students **must** attend an orientation seminar prior to registering for NUR 101. The purpose of the orientation is to explain the program requirements. The maximum enrollment for NUR 101 is a total of sixteen (16) students. The necessary requirements **must** be met before a student will be given permission to register for NUR 101.

### Reading and Mathematics Proficiency

Proficiency in reading comprehension is required. Students must take the college English placement test and demonstrate eligibility for ENG 002 and RDG 027 or validate an English credit course.

Proficiency in basic Mathematics functions is required. This is demonstrated by eligibility for MAT 010 or higher on the college mathematics placement test.

### CPR Completion

Students must submit verification of successful completion of the American Heart Association Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers, Modules 1 through 4. The Red Cross course will not be accepted. The CPR certification must be valid through the entire semester. **A copy of the CPR card must be submitted to the Health Professions office, FLRS 306, or to the coordinator of Special Nursing Programs.** The AHA Health Care Provider CPR course is offered by the college's Division of Continuing Education and Workforce Development, local fire departments and/or hospitals.

### Attendance

The class schedule for NUR 101 will be given to you at orientation. **Attendance at every clinical and college lab session is a requirement.** If you cannot attend every college lab and clinical lab, you should not register for this course or complete the Health Examination Record.

### Technical Standards

Prospective students must meet program technical standards therefore they must complete the Health Examination Record, which includes a physical exam, hearing and vision screening test, and immunization requirements. The health requirements will be explained in detail at an orientation seminar.

The *Health Examination Record* will be distributed **only** to students who have met the above prerequisites and eligibility and have submitted to the Coordinator of Special Nursing Programs verification of CPR valid through the entire semester.

Completed health examination records must be returned to Health Professions Office, FLRS 306. The health records will be reviewed by the Admissions Coordinator and you will be notified if incomplete. **Completed Health Records are required to be submitted to the Admissions Coordinator, FLRS 306 prior to registration.**

1. Prior to being able to register for this course, students will be required to complete the ***Health Examination Record***. Once a physician certifies that the candidate meets the technical standard requirement (defined in #2 below) as established by the department within the scope of practice of the profession, and the department receives and concurs with the physician's certification, the candidate will be considered as having met the technical standard requirement.
2. Qualification: Good physical and mental health. Admission Criteria (Technical Standards): Student must be free of contagion and possess sufficient stamina with or without reasonable accommodations, as may be required by law, and mental stability to fulfill the requirements of the program and the customary requirements of the profession:

- Work for 8-12 hours performing physical tasks requiring sufficient strength and motor coordination without jeopardy to patient and student safety as, for example, bending, lifting, turning and ambulating patients.
- Perform fine movements and be able to manipulate instruments and wide variety of equipment according to established procedure and standards of speed and accuracy.
- Establish and work toward goals in a consistently responsible, realistic manner.
- Have auditory ability sufficient to monitor and assess health needs. (For example: communicate verbally, in an effective manner, with patients and other personnel)
- Have visual ability sufficient for observation and assessment necessary for patient care. (For example: read and process patient related information like patient charts and requisitions)

## Criminal Background Checks

All health professions students who are offered admissions and/or clinical placement will be required to submit to a complete criminal background check. All student applicant's final acceptance in the program shall be contingent upon satisfactory completion of a criminal background check. All letters of acceptance shall state that the acceptance is conditional and contingent on submission to a criminal background check that results in a satisfactory report. A separate criminal background check may be required by a clinical site prior to placement. If a student is denied from a clinical site, due to a background check result, which is required to meet program competencies, the student shall be dismissed from the program and his/her registration withdrawn from courses related to the program of study.

Criminal Background checks do not assure eligibility for specific clinical site placement, program completion, and/or eligibility to sit for professional licensure/board examinations.

Students are reminded that licensing boards for certain health care occupations and professions may deny, suspend, or revoke a license or may deny the individual the opportunity to sit for an examination even if the individual has completed all program course work, if it is determined that an applicant has a criminal history or is convicted or pleads guilty or nolo contendere to a felony or other serious crime. Successful completion of a health professions program of study at Anne Arundel Community College does not guarantee licensure, the opportunity to sit for a licensure examination, certification or employment in the relevant health care occupation.

Students may be automatically denied admission, or if enrolled, dismissed from the program, if they have not been truthful or have provided inaccurate information in the application.

Students who have concerns are encouraged to contact the Health Professions Admissions Office [healthprofessions@aacc.edu](mailto:healthprofessions@aacc.edu).

NOTE: Licensing boards for certain health care occupations, including Nursing, may deny, suspend, or revoke a license or may deny the individual the opportunity to sit for an examination even if the individual has completed all program course work, if it is determined that an applicant has a criminal history or is convicted or pleads guilty or nolo contendere to a felony or other serious crime. If applicable, it is recommended to contact the Maryland Board of Nursing for clarification at 410-585-1900.

**PLEASE NOTE: AACC will only accept criminal background checks performed by Precheck. Criminal background checks through Precheck are completed online and the cost is \$48.50. Please do not do the criminal background check prior to being instructed to do so. The instructions will be given out at the program orientation seminars and for selective programs, information will also be given in your acceptance letters.**

## Uniform Requirements

The uniform requirements will be discussed at the orientation. **Uniforms will not be worn until the first day of the clinical experience (Long-term Care Facility).**

## Tuition Fees for NUR 101 (5 credits):

\$430.00	Tuition (\$86.00 per credit hour for Anne Arundel County residents)
\$ 35.00	Lab Fee
\$ 20.00	Registration Fee
<u>\$ 40.00</u>	Student Fee (\$8.00 per credit hour)
<b>\$525.00</b>	<b>Total</b>

## Additional Expenses:

\$ 70.00	CPR (approximate)
\$ 35.00	Immunizations (approximate)
\$100.00	Uniforms and shoes (approximate)
<u>\$ 63.40</u>	Books and supplies (explained below)
\$ 268.40	Total Additional Fees (approximate)

The following books and supplies must be purchased in the College Bookstore for NUR 101:

• Anne Arundel Community College Patch (Nursing)		\$ 3.95
• Anne Arundel Community College Photo ID		\$ 10.00
• Textbooks required for NUR 101:	(approximate)	\$ 55.40
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	Approximate Total	\$ 69.35

### TEXTBOOK:

Delmar Publisher, Hegner, Caldwell & Needham,  
Assisting in Long Term Care, 5th ed.

(Textbooks are subject to change; prices are approximate.)

**Textbook should be purchased and brought to the first class.**

## Admission Application and Registration

New students must complete an Admission Application to the college at either the Admissions Office or the Academic Advising Center and review it with an advisor (Student Services Center, Upper Level). Students **MUST** have permission of the Nursing Department to register for NUR 101. A signed *Schedule Request Form* to register for NUR 101 will be given **only** to the students who have completed all the requirements.

## Certification As A Geriatric Nursing Assistant

Upon successful completion of this course, students are eligible to take the statewide examination to become a Certified Geriatric Nursing Assistant (GNA). Passing this examination will make you eligible to work in long term care facilities. The cost for this examination is \$86.00 plus \$20.00 after passing the examination to be placed on the Maryland Registry.

If you have any questions about the course requirements, please contact Ms. Tina Norris, Special Nursing Programs Coordinator, FLRS 402, 410-777-7092, or e-mail: [tmnorris@aacc.edu](mailto:tmnorris@aacc.edu). For information on the Health Examination Record, please contact Ms. Tammie Neall at 410-777-7217 or [tdneall@aacc.edu](mailto:tdneall@aacc.edu).

**NOTE: SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THIS COURSE WILL MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE MARYLAND BOARD OF NURSING TO BECOME A CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT (CNA).**

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