Allied Health

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Occupational Endorsement; Certificate; A.A.S. Degree

Minimum Requirements for Certificate: 30 – 36 credits; for Degree: 60 – 69 credits

The occupational endorsement, certificates, degrees and occupational training programs in allied health provide students with the knowledge and technical skills for employment in health care. An occupational endorsement in nurse aide and training program in phlebotomy are available. Certificates offered include medical assistant, dental assistant, health care reimbursement and medical/dental reception. A.A.S. degrees offered include dental assistant and medical assistant. A.A.S. degrees in nursing and radiologic technology are offered in Fairbanks at the Tanana Valley Campus through the University of Alaska Anchorage.

Special admission, licensing, or certification requirements may apply to students in this program. Applicants should familiarize themselves with these and speak with a faculty advisor if they have any questions or concerns.

Dental Assistant

The dental assistant certificate and A.A.S. degree program prepares students to become skilled members of the dental health care team. The duties of the dental assistant are among the most comprehensive and varied in the dental office. Upon completion of the course work, students are eligible to take the Dental Assisting National Board (DANB) examination components for radiology and infection control. After 600 hours or six months employment in a dental office, they will be eligible to take the general chairside component of the examination and become Certified Dental Assistants. Prerequisites are graduation from high school or equivalent (GED) and completion of a dental assisting application form.

Health Care Reimbursement

The health care reimbursement certificate program prepares students for employment as medical billers and coders in medical offices, clinics, hospitals and other medical facilities. Students in the program learn analysis of medical records and the assigning of codes for indexing diagnoses and procedures to provide information for reimbursement purposes. The successful completion of this certificate prepares the student for the national certification exam through the American Academy of Professional Coders.

Medical Assistant, Medical/Dental Reception

The medical assistant A.A.S. degree incorporates the medical/dental reception certificate and prepares students for employment in ambulatory care settings. Students receive education in the theory and skills for both office work and clinical care. Prerequisites for the program include a high school diploma or GED and completion of the medical assistant application. The UAF Tanana Valley Campus medical assistant certificate is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs upon recommendation of the Curriculum Review Board of the American Association of Medical Assistants Endowment, CAAHEP, 353 East Wacker Drive, Chicago, IL 60601, 312-553-9355.

Nurse Aide

The nurse aide occupational endorsement provides education and training to students in theory and basic nursing skills necessary to become efficient and productive health care team members. Students who successfully complete the program will be prepared to sit for the state of Alaska nurse aide examination for certification. This program is open to those who can document a high school diploma or GED and 10th grade reading level by exam or have the instructor's permission. Students must also be in good physical condition (capable of repeatedly lifting 50 pounds) and have the following immunizations: Hepatitis B full series, two MMRs, chickenpox vaccine (or titer to prove immunity to MMR/chickenpox) and have a negative PPD for tuberculosis within the past year.

Phlebotomist

Training is also available in phlebotomy. A student who completes the two-course sequence in phlebotomy may sit for national certification through the American Society for Clinical Pathology to become a certified Phlebotomy Technician. Students wishing to enroll in phlebotomy must document current immunizations for measles, mumps, rubella, tetanus and hepatitis A, show a positive antibody titer for chickenpox and hepatitis B, and have received a negative PPD for tuberculosis within the past year.

Registered Nurse

The A.A.S. degree in nursing is offered by the University of Alaska Anchorage at the Tanana Valley Campus in cooperation with the Allied Health department. Graduates of the nursing program are prepared to provide effective nursing services to individuals receiving care in inpatient settings and in structured outpatient settings. The academic program provides students with a closely related mix of theory and clinical practice; students gain experience in hospitals, nursing homes, clinics and community agencies. Graduates of this A.A.S. degree are eligible to take the NCLEX examination that grants professional licensure to practice nursing as a Registered Nurse. Additional information is available online at http://nursing.uaa.alaska.edu.

Radiologic Technologist

The A.A.S. degree in radiologic technology is offered by the University of Alaska Anchorage in cooperation with the Tanana Valley Campus and Fairbanks Memorial Hospital. The curriculum of the radiologic technology program is designed to meet the accreditation standards of the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT). Course work for the degree is delivered through a combination of the traditional classroom setting, distance delivery and clinical experience. Upon completion of the program, students may apply to the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) for national certification. Additional information is available online at www.uaa.alaska.edu/ctc/alliedhealth/radtech/.

Information on any of the Allied Health programs is available from the Allied Health Division at Tanana Valley Campus, PO Box 758040, Fairbanks, AK 99775; by calling 907-455-2822; by e-mail at fyhealth@uaf.edu; or at www.tvc.uaf.edu.

Nurse Aide — Occupational Endorsement Program

1. Complete the general university requirements (page 86).
2. Complete the occupational endorsement requirements (page 88).
3. Complete the following courses:
   HLTH F107—Nurse Aide Training (9)
     or HLTH F111 Personal Care Attendant Training (4)
     and HLTH F113—Personal Care Attendant to
     Nursing Assistant Bridge (5) 9
4. Minimum credits required...9

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Dental Assistant — Certificate Program

1. Complete the general university requirements (page 86).

2. Complete the certificate requirements. (See page 88. As part of the certificate requirements, the communication, computation and human relations content is embedded in the major required courses for this program.)

3. Complete the following program (major) requirements:*
   HLTH F110—Professional Skills for the Workplace 2
   HLTH F122—First Aid and CPR...1
   HLTH F132—Administrative Procedures I 2
   HLTH F150—Dental Radiography 4
   HLTH F151—Dental Infection Control......................................2
   HLTH F152—Dental Materials and Applications.....................4
   HLTH F153—Anatomy for Dental Assistants...........................3
   HLTH F251—Clinical Chairside I for Dental Assistants..........6
   HLTH F252—Clinical Chairside II for Dental Assistants.........6
   HLTH F254—Dental Assistant Practicum................................4

4. Minimum credits required..34
   * Student must earn a C grade or better.

Health Care Reimbursement — Certificate Program

1. Complete the general university requirements (page 86).

2. Complete the certificate requirements. (See page 88. As part of the certificate requirements, the communication and human relations content is embedded in the major required courses for this program.)

3. Complete the following computation requirement:*
   HLTH F116—Mathematics in Health Care 3

4. Complete the following:*
   ABUS F271—Business Communications 3
   CIOS F150—Computer Business Applications 3
   HLTH F100—Medical Terminology 3
   HLTH F110—Professional Skills for the Workplace 2
   HLTH F132—Administrative Procedures I 2
   HLTH F208—Human Diseases..3
   HLTH F234—Administrative Procedures II 4
   HLTH F235—Medical Coding..4
   HLTH F236—Outpatient Health Care Reimbursement 3

5. Minimum credits required..30
   * Student must earn a C grade or better.

Medical Assistant — Certificate Program

1. Complete the general university requirements (page 86).

2. Complete the certificate requirements (page 88).
   a. Complete ENGL F111X for the communications requirement.
   b. Complete 3 credits from one of the following computation courses:
      HLTH F116—Mathematics in Health Care 3
      DEVM F105—Intermediate Algebra 3
      MATH at the 100-level of higher 3
   c. Complete 3 credits from one of the following human relations courses:
      HLTH F106—Human Behavior in Health Care........................3
      ABUS F154—Human Relations 3
      SOC F100X—Individual, Society and Culture 3
      PSY F101—Introduction to Psychology 3

3. Complete the following program (major) requirements:*
   HLTH F100—Medical Terminology 3
   HLTH F110—Professional Skills in the Workplace..................2

HLTH F114—Fundamentals of Anatomy and Physiology (4)
   or BIOL F100X—Human Biology (4)....................................4
HLTH F118—Medical Law and Ethics.....................................2
HLTH F122—First Aid and CPR...1
   or current First Aid/CPR card
HLTH F132—Administrative Procedures I 2
HLTH F142—Clinical Procedures I...4
HLTH F234—Administrative Procedures II 4
HLTH F244—Clinical Procedures II 4
HLTH F268—Medical Assisting Externship (4)
   or HLTH F261—Reception Externship (2)
   and HLTH F267—Medical Assisting Externship
Completion (2 – 4) 4

4. Complete one of the following:
   a. A timed exam and demonstrate competence in typing at 45 WPM.
   b. ABUS F108—Keyboarding II/Intermediate Typewriting** 3

5. Minimum credits required..38 – 42
   * Student must earn a C grade or better.
   ** Student must earn a B grade or better.

Medical/Dental Reception — Certificate Program

1. Complete the general university requirements (page 86).

2. Complete the following certificate requirements:*
   a. Complete 3 credits from one of the following communication courses:
      ABUS F271—Business Communications (3)
         or ENGL F111X—Introduction to Academic Writing (3).....3
   b. Complete 3 credits from one of the following computation courses:
      MATH at the F100-level or above (3)
         or HLTH F116—Mathematics in Health Care (3) 3
   c. Complete the following human relations course:
      HLTH F106—Human Behavior in Health Care.........................3

3. Complete the following:*
   CIOS F150—Computer Business Applications (3)
      or CIOS elective at the F200-level (3) 3
   HLTH F100—Medical Terminology 3
   HLTH F110—Professional Skills for the Workplace 2
   HLTH F118—Medical Law and Ethics.....................................2
   HLTH F122—First Aid and CPR...1
   HLTH F132—Administrative Procedures I 2
   HLTH F234—Administrative Procedures II 4
   HLTH F261—Reception Externship...2
   Approved HLTH, CIOS, ABUS, HUMS, DEVS or COMM elective 2

4. Complete one of the following:
   a. A timed exam and demonstrate competence in typing at 45 WPM.
   b. ABUS F108—Keyboarding II/Intermediate Typewriting** 3

5. Minimum credits required..30 – 33
   * Student must earn a C grade or better.
   ** Student must earn a B grade or better.

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Dental Assistant — A.A.S. Degree

1. Complete the general university requirements (page 86).

2. Complete the A.A.S. degree requirements (page 90).

3. Complete the following program (major) requirements:*
   HLTH F110—Professional Skills for the Workplace 2
   HLTH F114—Fundamentals of Anatomy and Physiology 4
   HLTH F122—First Aid and CPR 1
      or first aid/CPR card
   HLTH F132—Administrative Procedures I 2
   HLTH F150—Dental Radiography 4
   HLTH F151—Dental Infection Control.....................................2
   HLTH F152—Dental Materials and Applications......................4
   HLTH F153—Anatomy for Dental Assistants............................3
   HLTH F203—Science of Nutrition 3
   HLTH F247—Introduction to Pharmacology............................2
   HLTH F251—Clinical Chairside I for Dental Assistants...........6
   HLTH F252—Clinical Chairside II for Dental Assistants..........6
   HLTH F253—Clinical Chairside III for Dental Assistants 3
   HLTH F254—Dental Assistant Practicum.................................4

4. Minimum credits required...61
   *   *Student must earn a C grade or better.*

5. Complete the general university requirements (page 86).

6. Complete the A.A.S. degree requirements* (page 90).

7. Complete the following program (major) requirements:*
   CIOS F150—Computer Business Applications (3)
      or appropriate CIOS elective (3)..3
   HLTH F100—Medical Terminology 3
   HLTH F110—Professional Skills for the Workplace 2
   HLTH F114—Fundamentals of Anatomy and Physiology (4)
      or BIOL F100X—Human Biology (4)...................................4
   HLTH F118—Medical Law and Ethics.....................................2
   HLTH F122—First Aid and CPR 1
      or current First Aid/CPR card
   HLTH F132—Administrative Procedures I 2
   HLTH F142—Clinical Procedures I...4
   HLTH F208—Human Diseases..3
   HLTH F234—Administrative Procedures II 4
   HLTH F244—Clinical Procedures II 4
   HLTH F247—Introduction to Pharmacology............................2
   HLTH F268—Medical Assisting Externship (4)
      or HLTH F261—Reception Externship (2)
      and HLTH F267—Medical Assisting
         Externship Completion (2 – 4)..4
   Approved HLTH, CIOS, ABUS, HUMS, DEVS or COMM elective
   3 – 7

8. Complete one of the following:
   a. A timed exam and demonstrate competence in typing at 45 WPM.
   b. ABUS F108—Keyboarding II/Intermediate Typewriting** 3

9. Minimum credits required...60
   *   *Student must earn a C grade or better.*
   **   *Student must earn a B grade or better.*