

Health Careers II Syllabus

Course Description and Objectives

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Health Careers II is designed for students who desire to explore careers in the field of healthcare sciences. Health Careers II is different from traditional classroom learning because students move the location of their learning outside of the school for four days of the week. Monday through Thursday, the students will be placed at internship sites in order to gain valuable insight into the health care sciences professions. Internships will begin in February and conclude in late April.

Pre-requisites

Each student must have successfully completed the Health Careers I with a grade of “C” or higher and must demonstrate good attendance. The student may not have a record of disciplinary problems documented in their high school office or at the CTE Academy. Teacher recommendation is also required.

Student Expectations

Internship becomes the classroom. Your internship may not be exactly what you expected, or it may be in a different department, different health care facility, or working with different age group of people than you expected. Remember the goal is not to be trained in a specific career! Many health care careers require 2-8 or more years of preparation after high school. Your goal is to experience working with a health care team.

What should I expect to learn?

1. How to be a member of a health care team
2. How to follow procedures in health care
3. Critical thinking skills
4. Decision making skills
5. Communication skills
6. Infection precautions
7. Accountability and dependability

Dress Code for Internship

1. Uniform scrubs are worn daily at all locations unless specified differently at your internship site. Scrubs must be neat, clean, and wrinkle free.
 - Pant length must not drag on the floor
 - Comfortable, clean, nonslip shoes—no slippers of any type or boot of any type

- Athletic shoes are fine--they must be clean
 - Socks that cover the ankles
 - If a shirt is worn under the scrubs it must be a solid color, and sleeves should not hang below the wrist
 - Undergarments will shine through the scrubs—undergarments should be neutral in color with no printed words on the posterior
2. All clothing must be clean, pressed and neat in appearance.
 3. **Site ID must be worn**—this is a security issue
 4. Hair must be clean, neat and tied back if length requires. Hair should not cover the eyes or be in your face.
 5. Shoes
 - No high heels
 - No UGG boots or boots of any type
 - No sandals or open-toed shoes or platform shoes
 - Shoes should be comfortable with a non-slip sole—no slippers of any type
 6. Jewelry
 - Limited to watch and one ring
 - Earrings must be small and tasteful
 - Facial piercings and tongue rings must be removed
 - No bracelets
 7. No perfume/cologne/aftershave may be worn
 8. **No artificial nails—nails must be short and well rounded, also no shellac, gel, or nail polish. Failure to comply with this will result in the student being removed from the clinical area and a loss of daily points.**
 9. **A watch with a second hand is required and necessary to do vital signs.**

Behavior Expectations for Internship Sites

Behaviors contrary to employability in the health care environment will determine clinical eligibility for internship.

1. No cell phones or smart watches allowed onsite! Leave your phone and smart watch in the car.
2. Use appropriate language at all times
3. Always practice confidentiality!
4. Always be on time—be early!

5. Do not touch or handle anything at your site, **including accessing a computer**, unless your supervisor approves.
6. Always follow the instruction of your supervisor.
7. Work **only** in the area to which you are **assigned**.
8. Be dependable and honest. Be professional!!
9. Follow all the rules and regulations of the facility where you are assigned.
10. Please remember—texting during work hours is VERY forbidden. It is essential no pictures be taken of residents or patients—no matter how “cute” they may be!!!
11. Please be aware that prom or any other special event is NOT an exclusion from rules regarding artificial nails or shellac.

Grading

Internship and professional points	70%
Class work/tests/assignments/journaling	30%
Final evaluation will be a collaborative effort between the internship site supervisor and CTE instructor.	

Semester Grading

3 rd Quarter	42.5%
4 th Quarter	42.5%
Semester Test	15%

1. Ten points are earned for each day of internship. If you are late or absent, you will automatically lose these points. There are very few options for recovery. Use of an Emergency Leave Day is allowed for excused absences.
2. Missed internship time can rarely be made up at alternative times, ELD's must be used to accommodate for missed clinical days.
3. Students who choose to leave their site early for an appointment or other activity may not receive full credit for that day's internship experience.
4. If you need to be excused, you must call your supervisor and your CTE instructor (367-5504) **30 minutes before the start of your internship**. Failure to make these calls will result in the student losing their daily points. At least 3 phone calls must be made if you are not attending internship. This is a personal safety issue.
5. Repeated absences or tardiness (3 times) may result in the student being removed from the internship experience as well as being

dropped from the class. (Road conditions and school cancellations will be taken into consideration.)

6. Should you be absent from Friday class for any reason, it is your responsibility to get assignments and make arrangements with your CTE instructor for making up quizzes/tests. This must be done **before** the next Friday class period.
7. Assignments are due each Friday at the beginning of class. Journaling is due on Wednesdays and Fridays. It is an expectation that medical terminology be utilized when journaling.
8. Check Google Classroom for class information. Google Classroom is where you will be journaling.
9. Failure to follow the dress code and the policy on nails will result in forfeiture of daily points and will count toward the 3-day limit of missed days.
10. Students are expected to follow **all** the rules and protocols of the health care facility in which they are interning. Failure to do so may result in the student being removed from their internship and receiving a failing grade in Health Careers II. This includes the wearing of artificial nails.

Coursework

- First Aid
- CPR certification
- Human Growth and Development
- Aging Process—Geriatric Care
- Death and Dying
- Nurse Aide Skills
- Dentistry
- Identification of Simple Surgical Instruments
- Medical Math
- Pharmacology
- Safety in the workplace

Instructors

Any instructors can be contacted at 605-367-5504