

# CONTINUING CARE ASSISTANT

VARIABLE-LENGTH CERTIFICATE (PART-TIME)
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# **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Continuing care assistants may work in home care settings, long-term care facilities, private care homes, acute care facilities, integrated facilities, supportive housing or special needs classrooms. Most continuing care assistants work for the Saskatchewan Health Authority as part of a health care team under the supervision of registered nurses, registered psychiatric nurses and-or licensed practical nurses.

#### FARNING POTENTIAL

In 2016, the average annual salary for full-time nurse aide in Saskatchewan was \$42,900 according to the Saskatchewan Ministry of the Economy. Employees may earn more or less depending on their employer, location, size of company, training, experience and hours worked.

Demand for continuing care assistants and other health care workers will continue to rise as Saskatchewan's population ages in the coming years.

## WHAT YOU WILL LEARN

Learn to function as a team member in home and special care. Through a combination of hands-on classroom learning and labs, you will receive clinical experience in home and long-term care settings. This program focuses on working with the elderly, but you will be prepared to work with clients of all ages.

### ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

- Grade 12 or successful completion of 15 post-secondary credits from a recognized institution.
- English language requirement
- Accepted applicants will be required to provide evidence of a current criminal record check and vulnerable sector check prior to entering the clinical component of the program
- Standard First Aid and CPR HeartSaver 'C' AED or equivalent are required prior to entry into clinical
- Accepted applicants are required to provide current immunization records
- WHMIS 2015

Please note that if you do not meet the academic requirements, special admissions options may be available.



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# **COURSE LIST**

Please note, course offerings vary from year to year depending on funding and demand.

- ANAT 100 Body Systems
- CLIN 100 Clinical 1 (Special Care)
- CLIN 219 Clinical 2 (Special Care)
- CLIN 232 Clinical 3 (Home Care/Community Service)
- COMM 197 Helping Skills
- COMM 291 Interpersonal Communication
- DEMC 183 Dementia Behaviour
- DEMC 280 Dementia Family Care
- HUMD 187 Human Growth & Development
- NUTR 198 Nutrition
- SANT 181 FOODSAFE Level 1\*
- SFTY 194 Professional Assault Response Training (PART)\*
- SPCR 100 Transfer, Lift, Repositioning (TLR)\*
- SPCR 101 Observing, Reporting and Recording
- SPCR 102 End of Life Care
- SPCR 103 Assisting with Special Procedures
- SPCR 104 Personal Care 1
- SPCR 105 Personal Care 2
- SPCR 180 Safe Environment
- SPCR 184 Post-Acute Care
- SPCR 192 Personal Competence
- SPCR 284 Special Needs 1
- SPCR 285 Special Needs 2

\*These courses may be offered by external partners of Great Plains College.

Visit www.greatplainscollege.ca/programs for detailed course descriptions.

## FIND OUT MORE

To find out more about the Continuing Care Assistant program, book an appointment with a student adviser today.

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