

Nursing Education 2025-2026 Syllabus

Part 1: Course Information

Instructor Information

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Remind: Fall Clinical Class 2025,2026

Course Description

- This course satisfies one of three credits required for an elective focus when taken in conjunction with other Health Science courses. POS Concentrator: This course satisfies one out of two required courses that must be taken from a single program of study to meet the Perkins V concentrator definition requirements.

Prerequisite

Health Science (C14H14), Medical Therapeutics (C14H15), and Anatomy & Physiology (C14H09 or G03H31)

General Education/High School Pathway Area

- Programs of Study and Sequence: This is the final course in Nursing Services program of study.

Textbook & Course Materials

Required Text

Nursing Assistant: A Nursing Process Approach Eleventh Edition, 2014.

Tennessee C.N.A. Candidate Handbook-Current (Updated every 6 months.)

iCEV Online Curriculum Platform

Course Requirements

- \$10.00 fee for CPR Certification from American Heart Association

Course Structure

This course will be taught using lecture, skills instruction with return demonstration. Students must complete the 27 skills in the C.N.A. Candidate Handbook before completing the 60 hours of clinical at the long term care facility.

Online Resources

D&S Diversified Technologies LLP www.hdmaster.com
ICEV Online Platform

Part 2: Student Learning Outcomes

The student learning outcomes for the course can be found in the Tennessee State Standards Course Pacing Guides and other resources pertaining to this course. These can be found on Tennessee.gov website under academic standards.

Objectives to qualify for C.N.A. Industry Certification:

1. Complete the 23 Skills outlined in the Tennessee C.N.A. Candidate Handbook.
2. Complete a minimum of 40 hours in the long term care facility.
3. Students must be present 90% of the time.
4. There should be no disciplinary issues of any kind.

You will meet the objectives listed above through a combination of the following activities in this course:

1. Instruction
2. Hands-on skill activities
3. Labs
4. Clinical
5. Testing
6. Online iCEV Modules

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Part 3: Topic Outline/Schedule

Semester 1

Week	Topic	Readings/ Resources	Activities	Due Date
1	Safety/begin skills C.N.A. Candidate Handbook 1,2	Powerpoint C.N.A. Cadidate handbook, ICEV	Powerpoint Skills practice	
2	OSHA/skills 3,4,5,6	Lecture notes, ICEV	skills	
3	Skills 7,8,9,10 Tennova fast facts, HIPPA (Facility policies)	Lecture/Notes, ICEV	skills	
4	Skills 11,12,13,14, Speaker:Hollie Withey-Dementia	Lecture/Notes, ICEV, Guest Speaker	Notes, activites skills	
5	CPR, Skills 15,16,17	Lecture, Video, ICEV	Lecture,Skills	
6	Skills 18,19, 20 21	Lecture, Video, ICEV	Lecture, Skills	
7	Skills 21,22,	Lecture, Video, ICEV	Lecture, Skills	
8	Skills 23	Lecture, Video, ICEV	Lecture, Skills	
9	clinical	C.N.A. Handbook	Clinical skills	
10	clinical	C.N.A. Handbook	Clinical skills	
11	clinical	C.N.A. Handbook	Clinical skills	
12	clinical	C.N.A. Handbook	Clinical skills	
13	clinical	C.N.A. Handbook	Clinical skills	

Week	Topic	Readings/ Resources	Activities	Due Date
14	clinical	C.N.A. Handbook	Clinical skills	
15	clinical	C.N.A. Handbook	Clinical skills	
16	clinical	C.N.A. Handbook	Clinical skills	
17	Skills review	C.N.A. Handbook	Clinical skills	
18	Review/exam	Clinical skills	Clinical skills	

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Part 4: Grading Policy

Graded Course Activities

Assignments for details about each assignment listed below.

1st 9 Weeks	
Points	Description
*# 100%	Classwork, Skills Grade, Groups, Absenteeism, Projects will determine student grade.
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2nd 9 Weeks	
Points	Description
*# 100%	Classwork, Skills Grade, Groups, Absenteeism, Projects will determine student grade.
*# 100%	Classwork, Skills Grade, Groups, Absenteeism, Projects will determine student grade.
3rd 9 Weeks	Classwork, Skills Grade, Groups, Absenteeism, Clinical, Projects will determine student grade.
Points	Description
*# 100%	Classwork, Skills Grade, Groups, Absenteeism, Clinical, Projects will determine student grade
*# 100%	Classwork, Skills Grade, Groups, Absenteeism, Clinical, Projects will determine student grade
4th 9 Weeks	

1st 9 Weeks	
Points	Description
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*# 100%	Classwork, Skills Grade, Groups, Absenteeism, Clinical, Projects will determine student grade
*# 100%	Classwork, Skills Grade, Groups, Absenteeism, Clinical, Projects will determine student grade

Late Work Policy

Be sure to pay close attention to deadlines—there will be no make up assignments or quizzes, or late work accepted without a serious and compelling reason and instructor approval.

Viewing Grades in ASPEN (optional)

Points you receive for graded activities will be posted to the ASPEN Grade Book. Click on the My Grades link on the left navigation to view your points.

Your instructor will update the online grades each time a grading session has been complete—typically 1-2 days following the completion of an activity. You will see a visual indication of new grades posted on your ASPEN home page under the link to this course.

Letter Grade Assignment

Final grades assigned for this course will be based on the percentage of total points earned and are assigned as follows:

All Class work, Lab, Skills, Group Work and Tests will count as 100%.

Grading Scale

Letter Grade	Percentage	Performance
A	93-100	Excellent Work
B	85-92	Good Work
C	75-84	Average Work
D	70-74	Below Average Work
F	0-69	Failing Work

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Part 5: Course Policies

Attend Class

Students are expected to attend all class sessions as listed on the course calendar.

- Clinical will be divided into 5 day rotations. Each day will count 20 points for a total of 100 points for that rotation period.

Participate

I will monitor all group and team assignments to make sure that everyone is participating. If not, your grade will be adjusted accordingly.

Build Rapport

If you find that you have any trouble keeping up with assignments or other aspects of the course, make sure you let your instructor know as early as possible. As you will find, building rapport and effective relationships are key to becoming an effective professional. Make sure that you are proactive in informing your instructor when difficulties arise during the semester so that they can help you find a solution.

Complete Assignments

Assignments must be submitted by the given deadline or special permission must be requested from instructor *before the due date*. Extensions will not be given beyond the next assignment except under extreme circumstances.

All discussion assignments must be completed by the assignment due date and time. Late or missing discussion assignments will affect the student's grade.

Incomplete Policy

Under emergency/special circumstances, students may petition for an incomplete grade. An incomplete will only be assigned upon approval by the principal and timeframe will be determined.

Academic Dishonesty Policy

1. Academic dishonesty includes such things as cheating, inventing false information or citations, plagiarism and helping someone else commit an act of academic dishonesty. It usually involves an attempt by a student to show possession of a level of knowledge or skill that he/she does not possess.
2. Course instructors have the initial responsibility for detecting and dealing with academic dishonesty. Instructors who believe that an act of academic dishonesty has occurred are obligated to discuss the matter with the student(s) involved. Instructors should possess reasonable evidence of academic dishonesty. However, if circumstances prevent consultation with student(s), instructors may take whatever action (subject to student appeal) they deem appropriate.
3. Instructors who are convinced by the evidence that a student is guilty of academic dishonesty shall assign an appropriate academic penalty. If the instructors believe that the academic dishonesty reflects on the student's academic performance or the academic integrity in a course, the student's grade should be adversely affected.

Student Testing Code of Ethics and Security

It is important for you as a student to know that the following guidelines are to be strictly followed. This year the TNReady EOC test will count at least 15% of your final semester grade. Your work on this test is very important and it deserves your best effort.

I understand that during testing on the days of the assessment, I am responsible for:

- Not having any electronic devices on me or in my purse/backpack/pockets
 - Including but not limited to cell phones, smart phones, smart watches, etc. **during testing or during breaks.**
 - Best practice is for students to leave devices at home or in their lockers on the day of testing.
 - If I am caught with a device during testing or during breaks, my test may be nullified, resulting in a zero as at least 15% of my semester grade, and any school level disciplinary action as deemed appropriate by the administration.
- Trying my best on the test
 - If I do not attempt to test (I give **no answers or randomly answer** questions) my test score may be nullified, resulting in a zero as at least 15% of my semester grade, and any school level disciplinary action as deemed appropriate by the administration.
 - The testing administrators and proctors in the testing environment will determine if no answers or random answering is taking place.
 - I will focus and put forth effort on the test .
- Being honest and not cheating

- If I am caught cheating (taking pictures of the test, writing down and passing answers, talking to other students, looking on other computers, using software outside the testing platform), my test may be nullified, resulting in a zero as at least 15% of my semester grade, and any school level disciplinary action as deemed appropriate by the administration.

Important Note: Any form of academic dishonesty, including cheating and plagiarism, may be reported to the office.

Course policies are subject to change. It is the student's responsibility to check for corrections or updates to the syllabus. Any changes will be posted in the classroom.