



Articulation Agreement Course Competencies and Provisions

NUR100	Nursing Assistant	7 Credits
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To prepare nursing assistant for competency as outlined by Federal and Washington State Curricula. Students function under the direction of licensed health professionals in administering basic nursing care to patients throughout the life span.

NUR105	Nursing Trends Lab	2 Credits
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The campus laboratory is designed to allow the nursing student to gain proficiency in nursing skills prior to delivering nursing assistant care within a health care facility.

BASIC PROVISIONS

1. Student must be enrolled in the required class and complete all listed competencies.
2. Grading requirements will be discussed with the Tech Prep Director and BBCC faculty.
3. The grades on the Big Bend Community College transcript for NUR 100 and NUR 105 will be the grades obtained at their selected Nursing Assistant Certified Training Program.
4. Individuals must meet current skill standards or certification requirements. If it is found that skills or certification are not current, further skill or theory will need to be reviewed and re-testing or re-certification may be required.
5. The designated program facilitators and college instructors will meet as necessary to discuss any particular problems as they arise in the articulation of credit. Minor revision and exceptions may be allowed via instructor agreement.
6. The designated program facilitators and college administrators will meet as necessary to revise or discuss the articulation agreement. Minor revisions can be made via phone calls or correspondence. Administrators will be responsible for arranging additional necessary meetings involving both instructors and administrators.
7. All required Tech Prep forms must be sent to BBCC **within 30 days** of course completion.
8. Teachers must assign student grades and credits **within 30 days** of training completion.

OTHER PROVISIONS

The following schools have a current articulation agreement and some provisions may vary slightly. Select the link to view:

[Columbia Basin Job Corps](#)

[Lake Chelan High School](#)

COMPETENCIES

1. Verbalize how patient's rights and the nursing process relate to performing nursing skills with technical proficiency and safety.
2. Apply principles of medical asepsis when practicing all aspects of nursing, with particular emphasis on hand washing.
3. Provide a safe environment for patients, staff, visitors and staff within the hospital community by constantly being vigilant for unsafe conditions that may be a threat to the safety of self and others.
4. Apply principles of body mechanics so as to conserve energy; to decrease the potential for strain, injury and fatigue; and to promote safety.
5. Perform a beginning-level assessment of individual patients, systematically collecting data for all pertinent areas and using all senses, and to correctly state nursing diagnosis from the data collected.
6. Use patient's records to communicate effectively with other health care team members and provide a legal record of the nursing aspect of patient's rights
7. Make beds correctly for hospitalized patients.
8. Move patients in bed, using good body mechanics. To place patients in positions that are anatomically correct as well as comfortable. To place patients in the special positions required for examination and therapy.
9. Assist and/or feed patients who are unable to feed themselves independently.
10. Assist patients with the use of bedpans or urinals using standard precautions, taking into account psychological factors and to provide perineal care according to individual needs.
11. Provide patients (through the age spectrum) with opportunities for hygiene according to their needs and conditions.
12. Provide basic daily care for infants and to implement safety measures in all aspects of care.
13. Achieve beginning skills in inspection and auscultation and thereby to enhance assessment and nursing care.
14. Admit, transfer, and discharge patients, taking into consideration both general nursing concerns and the needs of individual patients.
15. Able to measure correctly and keep accurate records to patients' fluid intake and output.
16. Measure and record patients' temperature, pulse and respiration accurately and safely, recognizing deviations from the norm.
17. Accurately measure and record blood pressure using a cuff, sphygmomanometer, and stethoscope, recognizing deviations from the norm.
18. Demonstrate ability to assess and procure appropriate means to weigh and record weight in the appropriate manner throughout the age spectrum.
19. Collect and handle specimens correctly, with emphasis on the needs and comfort of patients using universal precautions.
20. Assist the examiner with the physical examination and with diagnostic and therapeutic procedures, with emphasis on the preparation and support of patients.
21. Perform with accuracy the common laboratory tests that are used in nursing practice.
22. Apply a variety of restraints, taking into account the comfort and safety of the individual patient (inclusive of pediatric restraints).
23. Transfer a patient from a bed to a chair, wheelchair, commode, or stretcher, with a maximum of comfort and safety for both patient and nurse.
24. Assist patients with safety in ambulation taking into account their capabilities and the appropriate assistive device.
25. Perform range-of-motion exercises on patients' joints, using proper sequence and joint positioning.

26. Use special mattresses, frames, and beds effectively and safely with emphasis on both physical and psychological aspects of care.
27. Correctly apply commonly used bandages and binders.
28. Apply heat and cold appropriately, with emphasis on comfort and safety for patients.
29. Administer enemas safely and effectively using universal precautions.
30. Recognize the need for and to perform emergency resuscitation procedures on individuals of all ages using universal precautions.
31. Care for the patient's body after death in a skilled and respectful manner using universal precautions.
32. Carry out correct isolation technique placing emphasis on safety for patients, visitors, staff and self-using universal precautions.
33. Care for patients with an "ostomy", using correct technique while maintaining cleanliness and an environment conducive to patients' dignity and self-respect.
34. Administer or assist oxygen to patients, using equipment appropriately in a safe and effective manner.
35. Assist patients effectively with deep breathing, coughing, postural drainage, and percussion as necessary in their individual situations.
36. Perform suction patients safely and effectively using the oral route using standard precautions.
37. Prepare patients physically and psychologically for anesthesia and surgery using universal precautions.
38. Provide postoperative care to surgical patients immediately on their return from the recovery room and during the remainder of their hospitalization, with a view toward their comfort and safety and the prevention of postoperative complications.