Coconino Community College
Certified Nursing Assistant Advanced Placement Course
Academic Year 2025-2026

CCC's Certified Nursing Assistant Advanced Placement course consists of the following:
This course is specifically designed to provide an advanced placement CNA course offering to students with a background in healthcare. The advanced placement course is limited to students with at least one year of full-time employment (1500 hours), or two years of part-time employment (totaling 1500 hours), in the direct provision of health care within the past 5 years. Examples of full-time employment may include (but are not limited to) Caregivers, Medical Assistants, EMTs, Paramedics, Home Health Aides, Respiratory Therapists, Physical Therapists/Assistants, Occupational Therapists/Assistants, Anesthesia Technicians, Surgical Technicians, Radiology Technicians, or approval by the Coconino Community College Director of Nursing. Additionally, a student may be a candidate for this program if they have successfully completed course work that included direct patient care experiences in allied health, medicine, or nursing, within the past five years. The Certified Nursing Assistant's role will focus on the adult population which covers the basic concepts required to become a member of the health care team in long-term and acute care settings. Topics to be taught include (but are not limited to) an understanding of activities of daily living, communication, basic nutrition, basic emergency care, principles of infection control, medical terminology, resident safety, and ethical/legal aspects of health care. Fundamental nursing skills based upon the basic nursing concepts above will be reinforced through giving individualized resident care via a hybrid classroom, skills lab practice, and clinical rotations. Registration requirements exist for this course and must be submitted at the time of registration. To see a list of the current requirements, please go to the [CNA Information webpage](#).
Course Length: 6 weeks
Course Modality: Hybrid
Didactic: Online, 6 hours/week
Skills Lab: In-person, 1-4 hours/week (varies week by week)
Clinical: In-person, 20 hours (two 10-hour clinical days) in a long term care facility

This course will meet the requirement to obtain a CNA or LNA license to apply to CCC's nursing program.

As part of the licensing process for licenses through AZBN, a background check with AZBN (only for LNA), and proof of legal presence (for CNA and LNA) are required.

Felony Convictions: According to A.R.S. § 32-1606(B)(17), an applicant for licensure or certification is not eligible if the applicant has any felony convictions and has not received an absolute discharge from the sentences for all felony convictions. The absolute discharge from the sentence for all felony conviction(s) must be received 3 or more years before submitting this application. If you cannot prove that the absolute discharge date is 3 or more years, the Board will notify you that you do not meet the requirements.

Please note that there are additional costs associated with necessary items for the class that each student is responsible for obtaining, such as black scrubs, white or black leather-like shoes, wristwatch with a second hand, a small notepad etc. The state competency exam is $130, LNA license is $100 (option of CNA or LNA), which the student is also responsible for paying. You can find a full list of approximate costs on the [CNA webpage](#). Information regarding clinical supplies and uniforms will be provided on your first day of class. You do not need a uniform to begin class. Attendance to all skills labs and clinicals and completion of online coursework is required.

All documents should be uploaded to the [Nursing/CNA Application Form](#) or brought to the 4th street registration desk. Documents will be reviewed by the nursing department, and if they satisfy the requirements listed below, then an override will be provided to allow the student to register.

Non-Academic Records

1. Current American Heart Association (AHA) BLS Provider CPR certification card*
   a. The AHA BLS Provider CPR is the only acceptable CPR certification. Anything that is not an AHA BLS Provider card will not be accepted. Please visit the [CCC Workforce Training webpage](#) to find and register for the BLS course.
2. Evidence of a negative TB skin test that is current (TB skin tests expire 1 year from the date it was read)*
   a. TB skin test report must include the following information: 1) date the skin test was placed, 2) date the skin test was read (48-72 hours after placement), 3) number of mm of induration, and 4) whether read as "negative" or "positive")
3. Arizona DPS Level 1 Fingerprint Clearance card (non-IVP)*
   a. To obtain a fingerprint clearance card, visit the [Arizona DPS website](#)
4. Tdap within the past 10 years*
   a. A Td or DTaP is not accepted
5. Proof of 2 Varicella (chicken pox) vaccines or positive titer read by a healthcare provider
6. Proof of 2 MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella) vaccines or positive titer read by a healthcare provider
7. Proof of COVID vaccine (2 doses of Moderna and Pfizer, 1 dose of Johnson & Johnson, or 1 dose of bivalent--boosters not required)
8. Flu shot for the current flu season (flu season is August 15 – April 30)
9. 10 or 12 panel urine drug screen dated within 30 days of application submission date
10. Government Issued ID card (driver's license)
11. Current healthcare registration, license, credential paperwork
12. Completed healthcare verification form from all employers in which the one year full time (40 hours/week) or two years part time (20 hours/week) employment has been completed OR unofficial transcripts demonstrating completion of an allied health program in the past 5 years.

*These records must remain valid and cannot expire prior to the end of the semester.

Academic Records

1. ENG 098, or placement test scores beyond prerequisite course
2. Math 088, or placement test scores beyond prerequisite course

Please call the Nursing Department with questions at 928-526-7640.
Office hours are Monday-Friday 8am-5pm (Monday-Thursday during the Summer)