

HEALTH, ALLIED

Certificate; A.A.S. Degree

The occupational endorsement, certificates, degrees and occupational training programs in allied health provide students with the knowledge and technical skills for employment in health care. Course work in phlebotomy is available, as are occupational endorsements in medical billing, medical coding and medical office reception. Certificates include medical assistant, dental assistant, health care reimbursement and medical/dental reception. A.A.S. degrees include dental assistant and medical assistant. A.A.S. degrees in nursing and radiologic technology are offered in Fairbanks at the Community and Technical College through the University of Alaska Anchorage.

Special admission, licensing or certification requirements may apply to students in this program. Applicants should familiarize themselves with these and speak with a faculty advisor if they have any questions or concerns.

DENTAL ASSISTANT

The dental assistant certificate and A.A.S. degree programs prepare students to become skilled members of the dental health care team. The duties of the dental assistant are among the most comprehensive and varied in the dental office. Upon completion of the course work, students graduate with either an A.A.S. or certificate in dental assisting and are eligible to take the National Entry Level Dental Assistant (NELDA) Dental Assisting National Board (DANB) examination. Prerequisites are graduation from high school or equivalent (GED) and completion of a dental assisting application form.

HEALTH CARE REIMBURSEMENT

The health care reimbursement certificate program prepares students for employment as medical billers and coders in medical offices, clinics, hospitals and other medical facilities. Students in the program learn analysis of medical records and the assigning of codes for indexing diagnoses and procedures to provide information for reimbursement purposes. The successful completion of this certificate prepares the student for the national certification exam through the American Academy of Professional Coders. The occupational endorsements in medical billing and medical coding are part of the Health Care Reimbursement Certificate.

MEDICAL ASSISTANT, MEDICAL/DENTAL RECEPTION

The medical assistant certificate and A.A.S. degree programs prepare students for employment in ambulatory care settings. Students receive education in the theory and skills for office work and clinical care. Prerequisites for the program include a high school diploma or GED and completion of the medical assistant application. The UAF Community and Technical College medical assistant certificate is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs upon recommendation of the Medical Assisting Education Review Board (MAERB), CAAHEP, 25400 U.S. Highway 19 North, Suite 158, Clearwater, FL 33763, 727-210-2530. The medical assistant certificate incorporates both the medical office reception occupational endorsement and the medical/dental reception certificate.

MEDICAL SCRIBE SPECIALIST

The certificate in medical scribe specialist prepares students for employment as members of the health care team to provide data collection and input to maintain comprehensive and accurate electronic

health records. Medical scribe specialists work in a variety of health care settings such as hospitals, ambulatory settings and specialties (e.g., primary care, urgent care, internal medicine, ophthalmology). Students will be equipped with skills that maximize the efficiency and productivity of clinical care, enabling real-time clinical documentation and workflow efficiencies for their employers. They will be prepared to take the Medical Scribe Certification and Aptitude Test to acquire the Certified Medical Scribe Specialist, a certification recognized by the American College of Medical Scribe Specialists.

NURSING QUALIFICATIONS, PRE-

The allied health certificate in pre-nursing qualifications is designed to guide students preparing to apply to the University of Alaska Anchorage Bachelors of Science in nursing. The certificate includes a clinical course in addition to a number of the prerequisite and corequisite courses for the B.S. in nursing. Admission to this certificate program requires a high school diploma or GED and test scores sufficient for placement into WRTG F111X and MATH F105.

Admission to the UAA School of Nursing (SON) program is competitive. While this certificate prepares the student to be highly qualified, it does not guarantee admission to the UAA SON. Before applying to UAA and the UAA SON, students must complete a pre-admission nursing exam and are strongly encouraged to work in a clinical practice. Students should work closely with an advisor while completing this certificate to help prepare for admission to the UAA SON.

Students who have not completed high school chemistry will need to complete either CHEM F103X or CHEM F105X or have instructor permission to register for BIOL F111X or BIOL F112X.

REGISTERED NURSE

The B.S. degree in nursing is offered by the University of Alaska Anchorage at the Community and Technical College in cooperation with the allied health department. Graduates of the nursing program are prepared to provide effective nursing services to individuals receiving care in inpatient settings and in structured outpatient settings. The academic program provides a closely related mix of theory and clinical practice; students gain experience in hospitals, nursing homes, clinics and community agencies. Graduates of this B.S. degree are eligible to take the NCLEX examination that grants professional licensure to practice nursing as a registered nurse. Additional information is available at University of Alaska Anchorage Department of Nursing (<https://www.uaa.alaska.edu/academics/college-of-health/departments/school-of-nursing/>).

RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY

The A.A.S. degree in radiologic technology is offered by the University of Alaska Anchorage in cooperation with the Community and Technical College and Fairbanks Memorial Hospital. Course work for the degree is delivered through a combination of the traditional classroom setting, distance delivery and clinical experience. Upon completion of the program, students may apply to the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists for national certification. Additional information is available at University of Alaska Anchorage Radiologic Technology (<http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/college-of-health/departments/school-of-allied-health/radiologic-technology/>).

MORE INFORMATION

Information on any of the allied health programs is available from the allied health department (<https://www.ctc.uaf.edu/academics/allied>

health/) at Community and Technical College, P.O. Box 758040, Fairbanks, AK 99775; by calling 907-455-2822; or by email at fyhealth@uaf.edu.

Minimum Requirements for Certificate: 30-42 credits; for Degree: 60-61 credits

Community and Technical College
Allied Health (<https://www.ctc.uaf.edu/academics/allied-health/>)
907-455-2800

Programs

Degrees

- A.A.S., Dental Assistant (<https://catalog.uaf.edu/archives/2020-2021/certificates-associate/certificate-associate-programs/health-allied/dental-assistant-aas/>)
- A.A.S., Medical Assistant (<https://catalog.uaf.edu/archives/2020-2021/certificates-associate/certificate-associate-programs/health-allied/medical-assistant-aas/>)

Certificates

- Dental Assistant (<https://catalog.uaf.edu/archives/2020-2021/certificates-associate/certificate-associate-programs/health-allied/dental-assistant-certificate/>)
- Health Care Reimbursement (<https://catalog.uaf.edu/archives/2020-2021/certificates-associate/certificate-associate-programs/health-allied/health-care-reimbursement-certificate/>)
- Medical Assistant (<https://catalog.uaf.edu/archives/2020-2021/certificates-associate/certificate-associate-programs/health-allied/medical-assistant-certificate/>)
- Medical/Dental Reception (<https://catalog.uaf.edu/archives/2020-2021/certificates-associate/certificate-associate-programs/health-allied/medical-dental-reception-certificate/>)
- Medical Scribe Specialist (<https://catalog.uaf.edu/archives/2020-2021/certificates-associate/certificate-associate-programs/health-allied/medical-scribe-specialist-certificate/>)
- Pre- (<https://catalog.uaf.edu/archives/2020-2021/certificates-associate/certificate-associate-programs/health-allied/pre-nursing-qualifications-certificate/>)Nursing Qualifications (<https://catalog.uaf.edu/archives/2020-2021/certificates-associate/certificate-associate-programs/health-allied/pre-nursing-qualifications-certificate/>)