

# Minnesota

## Articulated College Credit Agreement

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Through Articulated College Credit (ACC) Program, specific college curriculum learning outcomes and assessments are embedded in participating high school career and technical education (CTE) programs as specified in this agreement. Relevant knowledge, skills, and standards are taught by qualified CTE high school instructor(s) in one or more course(s). ACC is awarded if the student meets the college equivalency standards and later enrolls in the college(s) articulated requiring the course in a specific program.

**Agreement Name:** MN Nursing Assistant  
**Agreement Reviewed/Updated:** 2024 - 2025

**These credits are valid for students 2 years after graduation from high school.**

Colleges	College Courses	College Programs	ACC
Central Lakes College	NSGA 1100 – Nursing Assistant	*Nursing Assistant/Home Health Aide (Cert. - 4 cr.)	3 credits of 3 total credits
Hennepin Technical College	NAHA 1110 – Nursing Assistant	*Nursing Assistant (Cert. - 4 cr.)	4 credits of 4 total credits
Minnesota West Community & Technical College	HC 1175 – Nurse Assistant	*Nursing Assistant (Cert. – 3 cr.)	3 credits of 3 credits
Normandale Community College	NURS 1057 – Nursing Assistant	*Nursing Assistant (Cert. - 4 cr.) *Nursing (A.S. – 75 cr.)	4 credits of 4 total credits
Rochester Community & Technical College	NA 1500 – Nursing Assistant Theory & Clinical	*Advanced Hospital Nursing Assistant (Cert. - 16 cr.)	4 credits of 4 total credits
South Central College	HCTC 1886 – Nursing Assistant	*Nursing Assistant (Preparation for CNA & HHA)	4 credits of 4 total credits
St. Cloud Technical & Community College	HLTH 1402 – Nursing Assistant	*Customized Training Course – Required for Nursing Program	3 credits of 3 total credits

### Course Description

This course introduces concepts of basic human needs, basic nursing and personal care skills, safe environment needs, emergency measures, mental health and social needs, restorative services, and residents' rights. These skills are performed in a supervised laboratory and clinical setting. This course meets the requirements of the O.B.R.A. (Omnibus Reconciliation Act) Laws and the MN Department of Health. To be registered as a Nurse Assistant, students must take the Minnesota Competency Evaluation for Nursing Assistants. Upon completion of the competency evaluation, students can be employed in many healthcare settings. This course leads to registration which meets the pre-requisite for many Nursing Programs in the State of MN.

### Curriculum Learning Outcomes

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100% of the curriculum learning outcomes will be covered in the high school course(s) by qualified CTE high school instructor(s). To complete the current requirements mandated by OBRA laws and the Minnesota Department of Health, students will:

- Interpret nursing assistant’s roles, responsibilities, ethics, etiquette, and personal qualifications.

### Course Assessments

Students will perform state-mandated clinical and lecture assessments in accordance with OBRA Laws and the Minnesota Department of Health. Students must successfully complete specific state-mandated goals and curriculum in order to qualify as a candidate for the State of Minnesota nursing assistant/home health aide competency evaluation.

Students must achieve an **80% or higher** on assessments to earn college credits.

### Additional Information:

- Background Check: Minnesota Law requires that any person who provides services that involve direct contact with patients and residents at a healthcare facility licensed by the [Minnesota Department of Health](http://www.health.state.mn.us); have a background study conducted by the state. An individual who is disqualified from having direct patient contact as a result of the background study, and whose disqualification is not set aside by the Commissioner of Health, will not be permitted to participate in a clinical placement in a Minnesota-licensed health care facility. The college will withdraw any student who is disqualified by the Minnesota Department of Health. The student is responsible for requesting the Commissioner to reconsider the disqualification.
- The student has two years upon completion of the Nursing Assistant program to take the skills and written competency evaluations for the MN State Registry to become a NAR (Nursing Assistant, Registered).
- If a student is on the MN State Registry, then the student must renew the “Registry” every two years. In order to do this, students will need 8 hours of paid nursing assistant employment in a Medicare-funded facility (direct care) and 24 hours of continuing education.

### Recommended Industry-Recognized Certification Or Comprehensive Assessment - College

Comprehensive Assessment	Vendor	Other Information
Nursing Assistant Registry Certification	Minnesota Department of Health	<a href="http://www.health.state.mn.us">www.health.state.mn.us</a>

### Recommended Industry-Recognized Certification Or Comprehensive Assessment – High School

Comprehensive Assessment	Vendor	Other Information
Nursing Assistant Registry Certification	Minnesota Department of Health	<a href="http://www.health.state.mn.us">www.health.state.mn.us</a> Nursing Assistant Registry (NAR) Certification
Nursing Assistant	NOCTI	<a href="http://www.nocti.org">www.nocti.org</a>