

CNA Program

The Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) course is a non-credit course which consists of lecture and clinical experiences. The course is approved by The California Department of Public Health. It is offered during the fall and spring semesters. The program is designed to be completed within one semester (16 weeks). Upon successful completion of the course, students are eligible to apply to take the state of California certification examination for Certified Nursing Assistant.

Application process

Step 1 – Application

- All students except current and returning LAVC students need to submit a college application by applying online at www.lavc.edu. Upon admission to the college, you will be assigned a Student ID number and an LACCD student email account. You will need these to complete the application form.
- Have your High School (or GED or Foreign Equivalency) transcripts scanned, and saved as a PDF file.
 - Save file as (Last Name, First Name, Student ID Number)
- Submit the CNA application online via this website.
 - You must be logged into your @student.laccd.edu email/portal to be able to submit your application.
 - There will only be one attempt allowed at submitting this application.

Step 2 – Program Requirements

Once offered a seat in the program, the following must be met:

1. Must be a registered student at LAVC, have a social security number, and have valid state-issued identification.
2. There are mandatory orientations for students before the start of the course. Health requirements, uniforms, supplies, background checks and class guidelines will be discussed.
3. Students must undergo a medical history and physical examination and meet requirements for clinical agencies which includes, but is not limited to, titers and/or vaccines for measles/mumps/rubella/chicken pox and hepatitis B, 2-step tuberculin skin test (or chest xray if positive), flu vaccine, and Tdap vaccine
4. Students may not have any health conditions that would create a hazard to self, employees, or patients.
5. Students must provide a clear background check prior to clinical rotation.

6. Students must submit to live scan fingerprinting prior to the start of clinical experiences. Per California Title 22 section 71828(c), students will not be allowed to participate in clinical experiences if they have been convicted of certain crimes.
7. Students will be offered and must have a current First Aid and American Heart Association Healthcare-Provider Basic Life Support card before clinical rotation begins.