Nurse Assisting (required if you want to become a CNA)  
Getting Started Fact Sheet NUR 110, 7 Credit Hours

Before you can enroll in NUR110, you must meet/complete the following SIX (6) requirements:

Please note: Adding a section of NUR110 to your cart on the registration site does NOT reserve a seat in a course. You must complete all requirements and enroll with confirmation to secure a seat in any course.

1. Have a valid social security number – required for fingerprinting (see below) and to be eligible to take the Illinois Nurse Aide Competency Exam (INACE) to become a certified nurse assistant (CNA).
2. Meet the minimum age requirement – 16 years of age.
3. Submit an application to the College of Lake County – to become a student (if not already) and to obtain a CLC ID number and CLC email address.
4. Meet the Reading Requirement – must speak and read English and have a 10th grade reading level.
5. Complete a fingerprinting background check for the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) Health Care Worker Registry (HCWR) – must be fingerprinted in the state of Illinois.
6. Meet the Health Requirements – this could take up to 9 days to complete.

See below for the details of how to complete each of the above requirements.

If you completed the requirements more than 2 months ago, you should check with the Nursing Education office to find out if any updates are required before enrolling in NUR 110.

To view the schedule of classes go to https://www.clcillinois.edu/classsearch.

ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY AT ALL COURSE SESSIONS to meet IDPH requirements. If you fail to meet the attendance requirements throughout the course, you will not be allowed to continue in the course.

You MUST OFFICIALLY WITHDRAW YOURSELF from the course by the refund date listed in the current class schedule in order to cancel your financial obligations. Withdrawal beyond this date will not result in a refund.

Upon successful completion of the course, you will be eligible to take the Illinois Nurse Aide Competency Exam (INACE) to become a Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA).

COMPLETION OF REQUIREMENTS

1. HAVE A VALID SSN:
   Without a valid SSN, you will NOT be able to become a CNA.

2. MEET THE MINIMUM AGE REQUIREMENT:
   You must be 16 years of age or older.

3. SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE COLLEGE OF LAKE COUNTY:
   You can complete this process online at http://www.clcillinois.edu/admission/become-a-student.

4. MEET THE READING REQUIREMENT in ONE of the following ways:
   - TABE (form A) score of 10 or higher, contact our Testing Center OR
   - ELI 110 with a C or higher OR
   - APT score of 122 or higher OR
   - ELI Accuplacer score of 285 or higher OR
   - ELI 108 or ENG 108 with C or higher OR
   - ELI 103 & 104 with a B or higher OR
   - Next-Gen score of 480 or higher OR
   - College Reading and Writing Readiness – For ways to satisfy, visit http://www.clcillinois.edu/admission/become-a-student/step-2-proficiencies.

5. COMPLETE A FINGERPRINTING BACKGROUND CHECK FOR THE IDPH HCWR:
   - Complete a Disclosure and Authorization Form. The forms are available to download from the Nurse Assisting web page at http://www.clcillinois.edu/programs/nur/options/na. The forms are also available in the Nursing Education office at the Grayslake campus (D208) and the Student Support offices at the Lakeshore and Southlake campuses. A valid social security number is required for this form.
Submit the completed form by fax to 847-543-3043, via email to background@clcillinois.edu, or in person to the Nursing Education office at Grayslake (D208), or placed in the drop box outside of D208. You must complete both sides of the form.

You will receive the required Livescan form for fingerprinting via your CLC student email address. Please allow 48 business hours to process the Disclosure and Authorization Form.

Choose from the list of fingerprinting vendors included on your Livescan form for places to go for fingerprinting. You MUST fingerprint in Illinois. A Fingerprinting Schedule is available on the Nurse Assisting web page.

After fingerprinting, you will need to submit the “Completion Receipt” from the vendor to the Nursing Education office at Grayslake (D208), via fax at 847-543-3043, or via email at background@clcillinois.edu.

In order to be eligible to take NUR 110 Nurse Assisting, achieve placement on the IDPH HCWR, and gain employment as a CNA, the background check needs to be clear of any disqualifying convictions. Please check www.idph.state.il.us/nar/home.htm for a list of disqualifying convictions. If the conviction allows a waiver, the waiver must be approved by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) prior to enrolling in the course.

6. MEET THE HEALTH REQUIREMENTS:

- Complete a CLC Student Medical Record Form (available through the CLC Health Center at HealthCenter@clcillinois.edu).
- Obtain the following, all of which are available at the CLC Health Center (email HealthCenter@clcillinois.edu to schedule an appointment) or provider of your choice:
  - TB Test:
    - 2-step TB test – $8 per step. The 2-step TB test takes a minimum of 9 days to complete. (If unable to take the TB test, evidence of a chest x-ray within 3 years is required.) OR
    - T-Spot TB Test – $56 (Only one visit required and results available within 3 business days.)
  - Tetanus shot (tDap), given within 10 years - $40
  - Flu vaccine for Fall and Spring semester students - $18. You will be asked by your instructor for proof of a current flu shot after class begins.
  - Proof of MMR and varicella immunizations. (Titters and immunizations required if proof not available.)
  - Drug screening, a physical exam, and weekly COVID-19 testing are required at select clinical sites. Details will be explained on the first day of class.

- Submit all documentation to the CLC Health Center via fax 847-543-3064, email HealthCenter@clcillinois.edu, or in person. Contact the Health Center office directly at 847-543-2064 with any questions about health requirements.

COURSE COSTS:

- Tuition and Fees (in-district): $147.00 per credit hour, effective Fall 2020.
  - $147 x 7 credit hours = $1,029 plus Course Fee of $25
- Books: approx. $130
- Uniforms: approx. $22.50 – $29.50
- Background Check: $28 - $40
- Health Requirements: Varies, depending upon individual student needs (see requirements and prices above)
- Drug Screening: $50 (may be required, depending upon clinical site)
- INACE (state exam): $75 (end of course)
- Financial Aid: To inquire about the availability of financial aid for this course contact the Financial Aid Office at (847) 543-2062.

UNIFORMS:

Not needed until second week; instructor will talk about this on first day of class. Uniforms required during the face-to-face lab sessions and clinical sessions. Must be Navy Blue Cherokee Workwear. Available for online ordering through the CLC bookstore at https://www.clcbkst.com.

- Top: #4876 Unisex 3 Pocket Tunic XXS-5XL $12.00-$14.00
- Pants: #4200 Cargo Pants XS-5XL $11.00-$13.00 / #4100 Drawstring Pants XXS-5XL $9.50-$11.50 / #4101 Flare Leg Pants XXS-3XL $11.50-$13.50
- ID Badge Holder $1.00
- Goggles $3.25 or face shield
- Watch with a second hand

For questions, please contact the Nursing Education Office at nuroffice@clcillinois.edu or 847-543-2043. Or, the Program Coordinator, Ruth Belec-Olander at rbelecolander@clcillinois.edu or 847-543-6525.

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