

# Southern West Virginia 2022-2023 Southern Academic Catalog Community Technical College

## Health Care Professional, A.A.S.

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### Purpose

Individuals desiring to be selected for an AAS degree in Allied Health or Nursing are initially placed in the AAS Health Care Professional Degree to pursue health care pathways for certification and/or skill sets until the individual is accepted into an AAS Allied Health or Nursing program. No application or admission process is required for the AAS Health Care Professional Degree.

The Health Care Professional Degree prepares individuals to work in a multitude of healthcare backgrounds with qualifications and credentials. Individuals seeking an occupation in allied health may be employed in medical centers, hospitals, outpatient clinics, home health agencies, and physician offices. Upon degree completion, the Health Care Professional graduate will acquire a strong foundation of professional health care skills combined with distinct health care pathways of value.

The full Health Care Professional Program is available on the Logan Campus. The Boone/Lincoln, Williamson, and Wyoming/McDowell campuses offer the general education/program support courses only.

The Health Care Professional Program includes 15 credit hours of general education courses and 45 credit hours of skill sets, certificate(s), and restricted electives.

Program Level Outcomes:

1. Critically think in a variety of healthcare settings.
2. Apply mathematical reasoning in an array of healthcare settings.
3. Effectively communicate within variety of healthcare settings.
4. Be mindful of diverse populations in healthcare.

### General Education

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- [BS 115 - Essentials of Human Systems for Healthcare Professionals](#) 3 Credit Hours  
and
- [BS 116 - Essentials of Human Systems for Healthcare Professionals Laboratory](#) 1 Credit Hours  
or
- [BS 118 - Essentials of Human Systems for Allied Health](#) 4 Credit Hours  
or
- [BS 124 - ^Human Anatomy and Physiology I](#) 4 Credit Hours
  
- [BU 115 - Business Mathematical Applications](#) 3 Credit Hours  
or
- [MT 121 - ~College Mathematics for General Education](#) 3 Credit Hours  
or
- [MT 128 - Algebra for Allied Health](#) 3 Credit Hours
  
- [CS 103 - Introduction to Applications](#) 1 Credit Hours (E)

- [EN 101 - ~English Composition I](#) **3 Credit Hours**
- [OR 110 - Introduction to College](#) **1 Credit Hours**
- [PY 201 - ~General Psychology](#) **3 Credit Hours**
- **or**
- [PY 218 - ~Life-Span Developmental Psychology](#) **3 Credit Hours**
- **or**
- [SO 200 - ~Introduction to Sociology \(M\)](#) **3 Credit Hours**

## **Restricted Electives: Maximum 35 credit hours**

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Restricted electives are used in combination with the General Education credits, Skill Set(s), and Certificate(s) to equal 60 credit hours. The restricted electives include the following courses.

\*If the AH course is contained within the health care skill set or certificate pathway, the course may not be used as a restricted elective.

- [AH 100 - Patient Care Technology](#) **3 Credit Hours (E)**
- [AH 103 - Principles of Phlebotomy](#) **3 Credit Hours**
- [AH 108 - Medical Terminology](#) **2 Credit Hours (E)**
- [AH 112 - Basic Medical Laboratory Procedures](#) **3 Credit Hours**
- [AH 113 - Phlebotomy Clinical Practicum](#) **2 Credit Hours**
- [AH 119 - Pharmacology for the Healthcare Professional](#) **1 Credit Hours**
- [AH 122 - First Aid](#) **2 Credit Hours (E)**
- [AH 124 - CPR](#) **1 Credit Hours**
- [AH 130 - Introduction to Sterile Processing](#) **2 Credit Hours**
- [AH 132 - Advanced Medical Terminology](#) **3 Credit Hours**
- [AH 135 - Surgical Instrumentation](#) **3 Credit Hours**
- [AH 150 - Introduction to Health Care](#) **3 Credit Hours**
- [AH 160 - Sterile Processing II](#) **2 Credit Hours**
- [AH 165 - Sterile Processing Practicum I](#) **4 Credit Hours**
- [AH 167 - Sterile Processing Practicum II](#) **4 Credit Hours**
- [AH 200 - Health Care Ethics and Law](#) **1 Credit Hours (E)**
- [AH 203 - Communication Skills for the Health Care Professional](#) **1 Credit Hours**
- [AH 210 - Nutrition](#) **3 Credit Hours**
- [AH 215 - Basic Pharmacology](#) **3 Credit Hours**
- [AH 220 - Trends in Health Care](#) **3 Credit Hours**
- [AH 280 - Folk Health Care Practices](#) **3 Credit Hours**
- [AH 285 - Health Care Leadership and Management](#) **3 Credit Hours**
- [BU 100 - Introduction to Business](#) **3 Credit Hours (E)**
- [BU 115 - Business Mathematical Applications](#) **3 Credit Hours**
- [BU 230 - Business Statistics](#) **3 Credit Hours**
- [BU 280 - The Business Professional \(Capstone\)](#) **3 Credit Hours**
- [EC 241 - ~Principles of Economics I](#) **3 Credit Hours**
- [HI 110 - Outpatient Coding I](#) **3 Credit Hours**
- [HI 115 - Outpatient Coding II](#) **3 Credit Hours**
- [HI 120 - Inpatient Coding I](#) **3 Credit Hours**
- [HI 125 - Inpatient Coding II](#) **3 Credit Hours**
- [HI 212 - Healthcare Reimbursement](#) **2 Credit Hours**
- [MG 260 - Principles of Management](#) **3 Credit Hours**

- [MG 269 - Effective Leadership](#) 3 Credit Hours
- [SW 203 - Introduction to Social Work](#) 3 Credit Hours

## **Skill Set(s) or Certificate(s) Pathways: Up to 30 credit hours**

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The Health Care Professional AAS Degree student must choose individual skill set(s) or certificate pathway(s) relevant to their desired health care professional field (up to 30 credit hours): Phlebotomy, Medical Laboratory Assistant, Central Sterile Technician, Emergency Medical Technician, Medical Coding, Medical Assisting, Behavioral Health, and Allied Health Business and Leadership.

## **Total Credit Hours: 60**

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~ Designates courses on the statewide Core Coursework Transfer Agreement.

^ Denotes course equivalency.

This degree program provides students the opportunity to receive credit for their high school EDGE courses (<http://careertech.k12.wv.us/edge/edgeCollege.html>) as designated by the (E) within the program sequence.

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