

# Allied Health Continuing Education

## Spring Schedule 2026

**Completed applications will be accepted from Oct. 27-Nov. 21, 2025.**

**Accepted applicants will be notified via Pirate Portal email Dec.1-5, 2025.**

### **(EKG) Electrocardiogram Technician-\$800**

#### **ECRD 1011**

**Textbook & Workbook:** *Hartman's Complete Guide for the EKG Technician*

#### **Tuition Includes Books & Certification**

This 64-hour course will cover fundamentals of cardiovascular anatomy and physiology; Including basic electrocardiography procedures, interpretation of basic dysrhythmias, and appropriate treatment modalities. Students will be able to describe the anatomy and physiology of the cardiovascular system, perform basic electrocardiography procedures, and interpret basic dysrhythmias. Once a student successfully passes the NHA certification exam, they will be a Certified EKG Technician (CET). This course may be face-to-face, online, or a combination of both.

#### **Victoria**

Feb. 5-May 21, 2026

Thurs. • 6-9 p.m.

[VC Main Campus](#) & Online

Allied Health Building, Room 122

*(Classes will not be held March 16-20.)*

### **Medical Assisting-\$790**

#### **MDCA 1091**

**Textbook & Workbook:** *Hartman's Medical Assisting: The Basics*

#### **Tuition Includes Books & Certification**

Medical assistants work alongside physicians, mainly in outpatient or ambulatory care facilities, such as medical offices and clinics. Medical assistants are cross-trained to perform administrative and clinical duties. Duties vary from office to office depending on location, size, specialty, and state law. Once a student successfully passes the certification exam, they will be a Certified Clinical Medical Assistant (CCMA). This course may be face-to-face, online, or a combination of both. (92 hours to include clinical practice)

A day in the life of a medical assistant might include:

- Taking medical histories
- Explaining treatment procedures to patients
- Collecting and preparing laboratory specimens
- Assisting the physician during exams
- Preparing and administering medications
- Using computer applications
- Updating and filing patient medical records
- Verifying patient health insurance benefits and coverage
- Scheduling appointments

#### **Victoria**

Feb. 2-April 29, 2026

Mon. & Wed. • 6-9 p.m.

[VC Main Campus](#)

Allied Health Building, Room 106

*(Classes will not be held March 16-20.)*

## Medical Coding-\$1,695

### POFM 1000

**Textbook & Codebook:** AAPC approved

#### **Tuition Includes Books & Certification**

Develop knowledge and skills to be able to identify different classification systems and assign codes using appropriate rules, principles, guidelines, and conventions. Student will learn to describe and explain the differences/similarities among insurance plans. This course may be face-to-face, online, or a combination of both. Upon successful completion, the student will take certification exam. (90 hours)

#### **Victoria**

Feb. 7-May 26, 2026

Sat., Feb. 7 • 9 a.m.-Noon **and** Tues. & Thurs. • 6-9 p.m.

[VC Main Campus](#) & Online

Health Sciences Center, Room 132

(Classes will not be held March 16-20.)

## Medication Aide for Nurse Aide-\$690

### NURA 1013

**Textbook:** *Hartman's Complete Guide for the Medication Aide*

#### **Tuition Includes Textbook**

A medication aide is a certified nursing assistant (CNA) that has completed additional classroom training to be certified to dispense medications to patients while working under the supervision of a registered nurse. The class is face-to-face combined with online modules. (130 lecture hours and 10 clinical hours)

A medication aide is permitted by the Texas Department of Health & Human Services (HHS) to administer medications to residents in:

- nursing facilities
- intermediate care facilities for individuals with an intellectual disability or related conditions
- correctional institutions
- assisted living (personal care) facilities

#### **Victoria**

Jan. 27-March 27, 2026

Fri. • 8 a.m.-Noon

[VC Main Campus](#)

Allied Health Building, Room 106

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## Medication Aide Update-\$55

### NURA 1041

#### **Tuition Includes Renewal**

Intensive training in an identified area(s) to meet continuing education and/or review/update requirements associated with professional licensure or certification. Medication Aides **MUST** renew their permit annually. This includes taking this 7 hour WCE course and paying the \$15 fee to Health & Human Services (HHS). First year permit holders may renew by paying the HHS fee only. Permits that have lapsed for one year or more **cannot** be renewed. The 7 hour continuing education class should be taken at least three months before your permit expires. A medication aide is also a nurse aide and must receive nurse aide continuing in-service documentation. Course is strictly online. This course is no longer offered face-to-face.

Texas Health & Human Services are using an online portal to process all Medication Aide licensing. Medication Aides needing to renew their license are required to register through Texas Unified Licensure Information Portal (TULIP). The system will also provide the current status of an application. For instructions on how to create your account and complete the renewal process, visit <https://txhhs.my.site.com/TULIP/s/login/>. Please read all information carefully.

#### **Online**

Feb. 4, 2026

April 1, 2026

## Pharmacy Technician-\$880

### PHRA 1001

**Textbook:** *Pharmacy Practice for Technicians* by Cirrus/Paradigm Education Solutions

**Tuition Includes Textbook**

This comprehensive 64-hour program will prepare students to work as a pharmacy technician in a retail or other pharmacy setting and to take the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board's PTCB exam. Course content includes: pharmacy medical terminology, the pharmacy practice in multiple environments, pharmacy calculations and measurements, reading and interpreting prescriptions and defining drugs by generic and brand names. Through classroom lecture and hands on labs, students will review dosage calculations, drug classifications, the "top 200 drugs", I.V. flow rates, sterile compounding, dose conversions, aseptic technique, the handling of sterile products, total parenteral nutrition (TPN), dispensing of prescriptions, inventory control and billing and reimbursement. Once a student successfully passes the certification exam from the PTCB, they will be a Certified Pharmacy Technician (CPhT). This course may be face-to-face, online, or a combination of both. (74 hours including clinical observation)

### Victoria

Feb. 3-April 23, 2026

Tues. & Thurs. • 9 a.m.-Noon

[VC Main Campus](#)

Allied Health Building, Room 106

*(Classes will not be held March 16-20.)*

### Gonzales

Feb. 21-May 16, 2026

Sat. • 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. (30-minute lunch)

[VC Gonzales Center](#)

424 E. Sarah DeWitt Drive

Gonzales, TX 78629

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## Phlebotomy-\$790

### PLAB 1023

**Textbook:** *Hartman's Complete Guide for the Phlebotomy Technician*

**Tuition Includes Textbook & Certification**

Phlebotomists draw blood from patients, collect a variety of other specimen samples as well as label the blood vials. Phlebotomists are also responsible for delivering all blood and specimen samples to the laboratory either in the hospital or locally in the area. Once a student successfully passes the certification exam, they will be a Certified Phlebotomy Technician (CPT). This course may be face-to-face, online, or a combination of both. (92 hours to include clinical component)

A day in the life of a phlebotomist might include:

- collecting blood samples from patients
- practicing proper patient identification
- deciphering the best method for drawing blood depending on the patient
- expecting to work with patients varying in age and health status
- being friendly, courteous, and sympathetic when working with patients
- always keeping your phlebotomy cart or station well-organized
- always practicing infection control standards

### Victoria

Feb. 9-May 6, 2026

Mon. & Wed. • 6-9 p.m.

[VC Main Campus](#)

Health Sciences Center, Room 133

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## **Veterinary Assistant-\$605**

### **VTHT 1008**

**Textbook & Workbook:** *Elsevier's Veterinary Assisting*

**Tuition Includes Books & Certification**

Survey of veterinary medicine, including veterinary-related careers, safety in the veterinary workplace, the human-companion animal bond, animal restraint, client relations, and basic medical terminology. Clinical will cover survey of basic veterinary and nursing care skills. Includes aseptic techniques and operating room procedures, and the roles and responsibilities of the veterinary team in a clinical setting. Once a student successfully passes the certification exam, they will be a Certified Veterinary Assistant (CVA). This course may be face to face, online, or a combination of both. (36 hours)

### **Victoria**

Feb. 10-April 16, 2026

Tues. & Thurs. • 3-5 p.m.

[VC Main Campus](#)

Allied Health Building, Room 106

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