



School of Nursing

PATIENT CARE TECHNICIAN

INFORMATION BOOK

Subject to Change

Appalachian (Jasper) Campus
Marietta Campus

Note: No Virtual Application Sessions Required

Questions?

Please reach out to your Advisor at: <https://www.chattahoocheetech.edu/academic-advisors/>



Campus Locations: Marietta Campus (Marietta, GA) & Appalachian Campus (Jasper, GA)

Semester Entries:

Every Semester

Program Purpose: Introduces student to the role and responsibility of the Patient Care Technician. The course begins with a review of Nursing Assistant skills and expands to include blood drawing techniques, EKG measurement, basic wound care, basic respiratory care, colostomy care, and bladder catheter insertion.

Admission Requirements: Students seeking admission to the Patient Care Technician course must be fully admitted to the college and have completed the NAST 2100 and hold a current Nurse Assistant license for the state of Georgia.

Pre-Admission Criteria: Candidates for the Patient Care Technician course must present with a Nursing Assistant (NA) certificate from an accredited program in the state of Georgia. Patient care Technician is an advanced Nursing Assistant; therefore, the student must hold a current license for Nursing Assistant in the state of Georgia prior to admission to this course.

Background Checks & Drug Screen: Students are required to successfully complete a background and drug screen.

Immunizations: The program does not require vaccination for program admission; however, each clinical/practicum site reserves the right to deny a student entry based on their own policies and procedures. Clinical/practicum sites mandate vaccinations against specific diseases such as COVID-19, influenza and/or testing for specific diseases such as tuberculosis. Students are required to follow the medical clearance policies designated by their assigned clinical and/or practicum sites. If a student is denied entry to a required clinical/practicum site based on lack of vaccinations or testing, the student will not be able to complete the clinical/practicum course. As a result, successful completion of the program may not be possible.

CPR Requirements: The student must hold a current **American Heart BLS** Healthcare Provider CPR upon entry into and throughout the program.



Student Advisement Sheet/Program of Study

Program: Patient Care Technician – Technical College Certificate (TCC)- HA21

Campus Locations: Marietta or Appalachian (Jasper)

Student Name: _____

Student ID: _____

Course #	Prerequisites	Course Description	Sem Seq	# Weeks Course Taught Over	Grade	Cred Hr	Total Contact Hours
PROGRAM ADMISSION							
General Admission Requirements		Students seeking admission to the Patient Care Technician course.					
Background Check & Drug Screen		Students are required to successfully complete a background and drug screen. This must be completed within the first 2 weeks of the program start.					
Immunizations		Immunizations (see Clinical Requirement Checklist)					
CPR Requirements		The student must hold a current American Heart BLS Healthcare Provider CPR upon entry into and throughout the program.					
Required Semester							
PCTA 1100	NAST 2100	Patient Care Technician	1	16		6	6
		Total Credit Hours					6
Total Credits Needed to Graduate = 6							

Clinical Requirements Checklist

STUDENT NAME:		Date:
Prior to beginning a clinical rotation for any semester that includes clinical courses, the student must demonstrate compliance with the following immunizations and other requirements listed below on this document.		
☐	MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella):	- If born after 1957, a positive titer OR evidence of two (2) MMR immunizations are required. - If born before 1957, a positive titer OR one the first MMR immunization is required.
☐	Varicella (Chickenpox):	- Written documentation for vaccination of two (2) doses of varicella vaccine, OR - A positive varicella titer (varicella IgG).
☐	Hepatitis B:	- Hepatitis Titer documentation confirming either the HepB-2 vaccines OR HepB-3 vaccines series OR - Documentation that you have initiated the vaccine process
☐	Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis)	Vaccination within the last 10 years.
☐	PPD (TB):	- Students must show evidence of the following: - QuantiFERON Gold blood test within the last 3 months. The QuantiFERON MUST be renewed annually. Example; If QuantiFERON was received on August 1st, it must be renewed by August 1st. - If there is a history of positive TB testing, latent TB infection, or BCG vaccine, the student must have had a CXR within the last year. If a chest x-ray is required, you will also need written clearance from the healthcare provider before you can start clinical.
☐	COVID:	2 Doses (Pfizer OR Moderna) OR 1 Dose (Johnson & Johnson)
☐	Influenza vaccine:	- Required annually at the beginning of the flu season August 1-September 30. - The documentation must include your name, date of administration, lot#, site of injection, expiration date of vaccine, and signature/title of person administering the vaccine.
☐	Current BLS (Basic Life Support)/Health Care Provider Card:	- The BLS/Health Care Provider course that consists of a 1-and 2-man rescue for adult, child, infant, and use of AED (Automated External Defibrillator). <u>Only the American Heart Association (AHA) Health Care Provider CPR Card is accepted.</u>
☐	Drug/Background Check:	- Required upon admission to Nursing program. - Students will receive an email from Advantage Students. - Approximate cost \$100 – more expensive if out-of-state.
☐	Personal Health Insurance	
☐	Pregnancy Statement, if applicable	
	By signing below, student acknowledges agreement with the Clinical Requirements Policy.	



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