

Health Science CTE Program

Foundations of Health Science

Course Code: 1 Credit

Prerequisite: None Course Fee: \$10

A course that introduces students to a wide range of health careers and can count as the required Health credit. Integrated academics combined with health care knowledge and skills provide the framework for a strong healthcare delivery system in the twenty-first century. It is recommended for all students who want to prepare for further study in an array of health-related fields at the postsecondary level. This course is the prerequisite for all the health science courses. Participation in the Health Occupation Student Association (HOSA) is strongly encouraged. A \$25 fee is required for membership.

Emergency Services Management

Course Code: 1 Credit

Prerequisite: Foundations of Health Science Course Fee: \$25

The Emergency Services course prepares the student to provide prehospital assessment and care for patients of all ages with a variety of medical conditions and traumatic injuries. Areas of study include an introduction to emergency medical services systems, roles and responsibilities of Emergency Medical Responders, anatomy and physiology, medical emergencies, trauma, and special considerations for working in the prehospital setting. A focus on patient assessment makes this course an excellent option for students considering employment in therapeutic fields of medicine. Emergency Services students can earn their Basic Life Support certification in addition to the opportunity to sit for the Certified EKG Technician exam (12th grade students). Upon successful completion of this course, students may choose to continue studies in Health Science Internship, EMT Dual Credit or Work-Based Experience Seminar.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN

Course Code: 3 Credits

Prerequisite: Foundations of Health Science and Emergency Services Management Course Fee: SUSCC Tuition

Emergency Medical Technician is a Dual Credit course offered through Southern Union State Community College. The course is worth 10 hours of college credit and is taught by a SUSCC instructor. The course is the entry level of instruction to Emergency Medical Services. This course will educate through a format of both clinical and classroom instruction. The curriculum includes but is not limited to traumatic emergencies, medical emergencies, emergency operations, emergency communications, emergency medical and trauma assessments. Upon successful completion of this course the student will be eligible to challenge the National Registry of EMS EMT Basic test. After passing the National Registry evaluation the student can apply for state licensure and will be immediately employable in the field. There is a cost of approximately \$150.00 per student for uniforms required for the clinical portion of the class in addition to SUSCC tuition.

Long Term Nursing Care Assistant	
Course Code:	1 Credit
Prerequisite: Foundations of Health Science	Course Fee: SUSCC Tuition
<p>Nursing Assisting (NAS) is a dual enrollment course offered through Southern Union State Community College. The course is currently taught by a SUSCC instructor at the Opelika Campus. The course is the entry level of instruction to nursing services. This course will educate through a format of both clinical and classroom instruction. This course fulfills the seventy-five (75) hour Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (OBRA) requirements for training of long-term care nursing assistants in preparation for certification through competency evaluation. Emphasis is placed on the development of the knowledge, attitudes, and skills required of the long-term care nursing assistant. Upon completion of this course, the student should demonstrate satisfactory performance on written examinations, clinical skills and the student will be eligible to challenge the State Certified Nursing Assistant test.</p> <p><i>Note: This course is not offered for college credit at Southern Union State Community College.</i></p>	

Health Science Internship	
Course Code:	2 Credits
Prerequisite: Foundations of Health Science	Course Fee: \$85
<p>A two-credit course designed for students in Grade 12. This course includes a variety of knowledge and skills necessary for becoming a health care worker or for preparing students for postsecondary health care education programs. Health Science Internship is designed to be completed in a hospital, extended care facility, rehabilitation center, medical office, imagery laboratory, or other health care facilities. Clinical assignments comprise at least 70 percent of the course at various healthcare facilities in the Auburn/Opelika area. This class will be offered during 2 consecutive blocks each semester. Student requirements: Health Science teacher recommendation, a 3.0 overall GPA, no out of school or in school suspensions, no excessive absences or tardies, provide private transportation to and from the clinical site(s), provide proof of a negative TB skin test within the past year, purchase a uniform and pay a class fee of \$65.00.</p>	

Advanced Health Seminar	
Course Code:	1 Credit
Prerequisite: Health Science Internship	Course Fee: None
<p>A one credit course designed to keep abreast of the rapid changes in business and industry by offering students a rigorous array of coursework and work-based experience to help prepare them for advanced learning and a wide range of health career opportunities. This course is designed to provide the local education agency with flexibility to meet health care demands in the community. Students are introduced to careers in therapeutic services including, but not limited to, nursing, medicine, physical therapy, surgical technologist, respiratory therapist, emergency medical technician and others. Clinical assignments comprise at least 95 percent of the course at various healthcare facilities in the Opelika/Auburn area. This class will be offered during 3rd and/or 4th block(s) during the second semester.</p>	

Therapeutic Services

Course Code:	1 Credit
Prerequisite: Health Science Internship	Course Fee: None

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