



HEALTH SCIENCE

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Health Science is a science-based program. If you dream of helping others and are looking for an opportunity to begin a career in the medical field, then you should consider this program.

YOU WILL LEARN

- Anatomy, physiology, medical terminology, & medical ethics
- Patient care with a focus on nursing
- How to work with other health care professionals
- Overviews of other skilled areas, including physical therapy, respiratory therapy, imaging, & dental assisting

A TYPICAL STUDENT

The typical student is college-bound and wants a career in the medical field. Students have a strong work ethic, are compassionate and detail oriented, and have a mature attitude. Patient confidentiality and respect are expected and practiced throughout the program.

GET YOURSELF READY

You will use many skills to solve problems and work with patients. To be prepared take science courses, especially biology, and anatomy courses. The following pathway courses will help prepare you for the Health Science I program, further training, and a career in the health field:

- Preparing for College & Careers
- Nutrition & Wellness
- Interpersonal Relationships
- Human Development & Wellness
- Child Development



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CERTIFICATIONS & DUAL CREDITS

INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

- American Heart Association CPR Healthcare Provider
- American Heart Association First Aid
- CNA (Indiana State Certified Nursing Assistant)
- Pharmacy Technician

Industry certifications are earned in both years.
Dual Credits are earned in year one.

IVY TECH DUAL COLLEGE CREDITS

HLHS 100	Introduction to Health Careers	3 credits
HLHS 101	Medical Terminology	3 credits



COURSE CONTENT

Health Science students study topics such as human anatomy and physiology, medical terminology, medical ethics, CPR, and practical skills applicable to all health-related occupations. Job shadow experiences are completed during year one. Year two includes an extended lab experience at a clinical site with the opportunity to earn CNA certification. This program prepares students to work in long term care facilities, or to enter a postsecondary program. The Pharmacy Technician certification is also available and completed outside of class time.

MEET GRADUATION PATHWAYS

PATHWAY 1	HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA
Students can earn 6 high school elective credits per school year at WCC. WCC courses can also lead to a Technical Honors Diploma.	
PATHWAY 2	EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS
All WCC programs have a work-based learning component built into the curriculum.	
PATHWAY 3	POSTSECONDARY READY
Students can meet the requirement by completing 2 years of a career program at WCC, completing 3 pathway dual credit courses, or earning industry certification.	

WHEN YOU FINISH

Upon completing this program, you may continue your education in 2 or 4-year postsecondary degree programs, obtain employment in the healthcare industry as a CNA or Pharmacy Technician, and/or use the certifications to work while continuing your education.

POTENTIAL CAREERS

	NATIONAL MEAN WAGE
• Registered Nurse	\$75,510
• Pharmacy Technician	\$34,020
• EMT & Paramedic	\$37,760
• Respiratory Therapist	\$62,500
• Dental Assistant	\$39,770
• Medical Assistant	\$34,540
• Occupational Therapist	\$85,350
• Occupational Therapy Aide	\$32,580
• Physical Therapist	\$88,880
• Physician Assistant	\$108,430
• Nurse Practitioner	\$110,030

All career and salary information is cited from the U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics, May 2018 National Occupation Employment & Wage Estimates.



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