

EAL Pathways to HCA

Improve your English to start a career in Health Care.



Your Career in Health Care Starts Here

Looking to pursue a rewarding career in the healthcare field but require assistance in upgrading your English language skills?

This comprehensive program is designed to prepare students for the Health Care Aide Certificate Program while emphasizing language and academic skills. With small class sizes and tutoring services, we provide personalized attention and support to students throughout their learning journey. Through intensive language training and academic skill development, we equip students with the necessary tools for success in the HCA program and in the healthcare environment. Additionally, qualified individuals can benefit from Alberta Government grant funding for both the full-time EAL component and the full-time Health Care Aide program.

Quality education employers value.

Connect with an advisor today for detailed program information:

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Program Statistics



86%

Employment Rate
2021-2022



89%

Graduation Rate
2021-2022



\$20-25

Per Hour
Starting Salary

Type

Government of Alberta Health Care Aide Certificate
(After completing the program, students must pass the provincial certification exam)

Program Delivery

Hybrid
Online and in-person components

Start Dates

January, August


Duration

48 Weeks
16-week EAL component + 32 week HCA component (including 8-week practicum)

Class Schedule

EAL component: Mon to Fri (9:30am - 2:00pm)
HCA component: Mon to Thurs (8:00am - 12:00pm)
Fri Tutoring (12:00pm - 5:00pm)

Program Fees

Fully funded by the 

Entry Requirements

Students may be evaluated by Calgary Language Assessment & Referral Centre (CLARC) to determine placement in the program.

OR

Take a Columbia College EAL Assessment

- Students will need to enter the EAL component at a minimum of CLB 7.