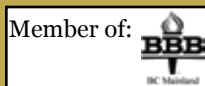




Why Study at RCIT in Vancouver?

- Great location: one campus is close to downtown Vancouver, another one is close to Surrey Central Skytrain Station.
- It is widely known that Vancouver has been voted the best or second best city to live in and to study in for the last ten years (according to UN & other sources)
- Qualified Instructors with experience in the health care industry and teaching.
- Curriculum for the HCNA program is approved by the BC Government.
- Vancouver Coastal Health Authority's approved long-term facilities for practicum.
- Our students often have an offer of employment before they finish the program.
- Job placement assistance available.
- Small class size ensures personalized attention to each individual student.
- International students may live with Canadian homestay families and this will immerse the students into an English-speaking environment and culture.
- A member of BC Career Colleges Association, Microsoft IT Academy, Prometric Centre, the American Hotel & Lodging Association, Vancouver Board of Trade, and the Better Business Bureau.

The Royal Canadian Institute of Technology is your best choice for a career in Health Care and Nursing Assistant.



Why HCNA Training?

- Most healthcare employers require caregivers to hold a diploma or certificate.
- The demand for care aides is high now and it is expected to become even higher in the future as the aging population increases in Canada and around the world.
- Employment opportunities exist across Canada; graduates can find work close to them or choose to relocate.
- There is a shortage of care aides in Canada. Upon completion of the program, students may be eligible to apply for work permit. Each application is assessed individually.

Accreditation:

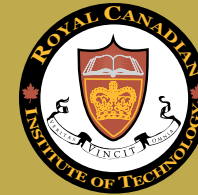
Royal Canadian Institute of Technology is a private post-secondary institution fully registered and accredited with the Private Career Training Institutions Agency (PCTIA), Ministry of Advanced Education, Government of British Columbia.

Accreditation means that the institution maintains high standards and has a solid reputation in the educational industry in British Columbia, Canada. Domestic students may be eligible for student loans and grants if they satisfy the necessary requirements. Funding may also be available to qualified domestic students through Employment Insurance (EI) and Human Resources and Social Development Canada (HRSDC).

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ROYAL CANADIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

JOIN OUR DIPLOMA PROGRAM IN HEALTH CARE & NURSING ASSISTANT (HCNA) (ONE-YEAR PROGRAM)

This diploma program provides balanced and complete training in the classroom, and supervised clinical experience in facilities approved by the Vancouver Coastal Health Authority (minimum 200 hours). It is designed to provide students with the knowledge, skills, and values necessary to function as a caregiver in a variety of settings, including home support, community care, and all levels of residential care, to adults and children experiencing diverse health challenges. Graduates will also be eligible for RCIT's Acute Care Aide Program after obtaining the required experience.



Program Description:

The one-year, full-time Health Care and Nursing Assistant diploma program prepares students for employment in a range of care settings, such as home support, community, and residential care through a combination of classroom discussions, skills practice in the RCIT nursing lab, and clinical practice experiences (including a four-month cooperative learning experience).

Program Objectives:

The ultimate goal of Health Care & Nursing Assistant program is to improve the client's quality of life. Graduates will be capable of providing sensitive, professional, and personal care to people who require help with their daily needs in homes, in long-term care facilities and in the community.

Career Opportunities:

This is a rapidly growing area of health care. Upon successful completion of this program, our graduates will be able to work in areas such as:

- intermediate/extended or assisted living facilities
- home support agencies
- community or facility hospice/palliative care
- adult day care programs
- support for school-aged children
- private employment with clients of all ages

Desirable Characteristics of Applicants:

- Compassionate, caring, patient, adaptable to change, and capable of working under stress
- Non-judgmental, tolerant and sensitive to other cultures and customs
- Enjoy working with people, especially with seniors
- Previous experience in caregiving is an asset



Co-op Work Experience:

The mandatory four-month co-op component is an integral part of the one-year HCNA program. Students will have the opportunity to apply the knowledge and skills acquired in class in the real world of the health care industry. It has been found that many cooperative education work term placements lead to permanent positions after graduation. (Students in a co-op program are not required to pay any additional co-op fees. RCIT will cover the costs associated with the administration of work placements.)

Admission Requirements:

Must have Grade 12 or equivalent and must be 19 years of age or older. For non-native English speakers, an English placement test is required. **Healthcare department requirements:** a negative TB skin test or chest x-ray, immunization report, health self-assessment and criminal record check.

Registration Fee:

\$100 for domestic students
\$200 for international students

Tuition Fee:

\$14,000 for domestic students
\$16,000 for international students

Textbooks and Supplies:

\$550 + \$200 = \$750

Mission Statement:

Our mission is to bridge the gap between formal education and the demands of the Health and Financial Services, Hospitality/Hotel & Tourism, Business and IT industry and to prepare our students with the knowledge, skills and confidence necessary for pursuing successful careers in the fields of Health and Financial Services, Hospitality/Hotel & Tourism Management, Business Administration, Information Technology and Computer Science.



Program Outline

Students will learn about the following:

- Medical terminology and English language skills
- Work role, ethics and legislation
- Safety and infection control
- Body mechanics, lifts and transfers
- Skills in therapeutic communication
- Anatomy, physiology and common conditions
- Growth and development
- Mental health
- Developmental disabilities and cognitive disorders
- Professional development & job search skills
- Basic personal care skills
- Providing care in the client's home
- Caring for the new mother and infant



Students are also required to successfully complete a minimum of 200 hours of clinical practice experience and a 4-month co-op before the diploma is granted.

Additional certifications:

The program also includes essential industry-related training and certification in:

First Aid & CPR Level One

You will receive certificates in both basic First Aid and Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation.

FoodSafe Level 1

You'll learn how to prepare food in a way that protects people from injury or illness. Some of the topics covered are food-borne diseases, personal hygiene, and safe procedures for storing food.

Non-Violent Crisis Intervention

For your protection, you'll learn how to deal with people who are disruptive or out of control, using verbal techniques for de-escalating conflict and restraint techniques when physical intervention is necessary.

