One requirement to apply to either the Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) or the Practical Nursing Certificate (PN) program is to be current as an STNA.

If you believe your past training or experience will allow you to state test without taking the STNA class, contact D&S Diversified Technologies LLP. The phone number is 877.851.2355 or visit the website at http://www.hdmaster.com/testing/cnatesting/ohio/ OH_STNA_Home.htm.

If you are a current STNA, you are responsible for ensuring that the Gateway office, at any campus location, has received a copy of your registry number. You can print this from the Ohio Department of Health website: https://odhgateway.odh.ohio.gov/nar/nar_registry_search.aspx.

Your registry status must be in good standing at the time of application to the Nursing programs.

If you are not an STNA and have not had a formal course in basic health care skills, you will need to enroll in an STNA course. COTC offers NURS-001 Basic Health Care Skills (STNA) course at the Coshocton Campus through Autumn HealthCare and at the Newark campus through C-TEC. C-TEC and Autumn HealthCare are approved by the Ohio Department of Health as STNA course providers.

Registration for this course cannot be done online and must be done at a Gateway office due to requirements such as 2-Step TB, BCI, uniforms, and other specifics. At the end of the class, you must apply to take the state test. When you pass the state test, you will need to present your registry number to any Gateway office as verification of your status.

Career Opportunities
State Tested Nurse Aides may choose to work in long term care, assisted living facilities or hospitals. The STNA provides basic health care for patients under the direction of an RN or LPN.

NURS-001 Basic Health Care Skills
3.5 credit hours, 80 total hours
Prerequisite: You must be 16 years of age or older to enroll.

Before your first day of class you must complete:

- A two-step Mantoux test for tuberculosis within the last 30 days, and bring proof with you the first day of class.
- A criminal background (BCI) check within the last six months, and bring proof with you the first day of class.
- Autumn HealthCare requires you to have completed a Physical Exam if enrolled in the Coshocton Campus section; bring proof with you on the first day of class.
- C-TEC requires students to have either completed or tested out of GENR 090 Integrated Reading and Writing I and MATH 040 Basic Math.
- C-TEC requires students to take a copy of their high school transcript, diploma or G.E.D. with them the first day of class.

Uniforms – you will be expected to dress appropriately based on your enrolled section. Information on appropriate attire will be given upon registration.

This course prepares a basic health care worker with skills required by the Training and Competency Evaluation Program (TCEP) prior to gaining eligibility to become an STNA and/or to employment as a home health aide. Content includes communication, infection control, safety and emergency procedures, promoting residents’/clients’ independence, respecting residents’/clients’ rights, basic nursing skills, personal care skills, providing care in a home setting, mental health and social service needs, and basic restorative services. College lab promotes development of various basic nursing skills. These skills are then implemented during a clinical experience in a local health care facility.

COTC students who plan to apply to the practical nursing or associate degree nursing program will be required to obtain the American Heart Association Basic Health Care Provider CPR certification prior to entry. This course is available through COTC and can be taken as a co-requisite of NURS 001.

How do I Start?
If you are a new student, you should apply online at cotc.edu. If you are a current or returning COTC student, contact one of the Gateway Offices listed below, send an email to cotcadmissions@cotc.edu or connect with the Gateway website at http://www.cotc.edu/current-students/Gateway/Pages/Gateway.aspx.

Newark Campus 740.366.9222
800.963.9275 Ext. 222
Coshocton Campus 740.622.1408
Knox Campus 740.392.2526
Pataskala Campus 740.755.7090

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