

**Mid-State Technical College  
Nursing Programs**

**Comparison of Nursing Assistant Options to meet Nursing admission requirements**

The following two options will both meet the NA prerequisite to the nursing program

Course Title and Course Number	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>10-543-120</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Basic Nursing Skills</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Available for Pre ADN or Pre-PN students at MSTC May not transfer to other colleges that have a degree in health with a direct patient care experience. <b>2 credits</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>30-543-300</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Nursing Assistant</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>3 credits</b></p>		
<b>Definition</b>	<p><b>More Structured delivery</b></p> <p>A three week course that combines demonstrations, practice, &amp; testing in lab. Designed for students who will enter the ADN program with <u>at least a 1 year technical diploma or degree in health with direct patient care experience.</u></p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">Examples of graduates eligible for this course.</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Assist.  <input type="checkbox"/> Surg. Techs  <input type="checkbox"/> EMT/Paramedics                 </td> </tr> </table>	Examples of graduates eligible for this course.	<input type="checkbox"/> Medical Assist. <input type="checkbox"/> Surg. Techs <input type="checkbox"/> EMT/Paramedics	<p><b>Traditional Delivery – multiple options</b></p> <p>Traditional nursing assistant course that involves independent study time, campus lab experiences and 56 hours of clinical practicum which is working in health care agencies with patients.</p> <p>Must complete an application and meet other admission requirements to access this class. Please refer to this link for an outline of the admission requirements <a href="http://www.mstc.edu/nursingassistant/index.htm">http://www.mstc.edu/nursingassistant/index.htm</a></p>
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<b>Advantages</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Offers experienced health care workers an option instead of taking the entire Nursing Assistant class.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 2 credit course – less tuition costs (approx. \$230)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Requires some formal lab times with demonstrations of skills, practice and test out times.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Can use for elective credit</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> When completed and the state test is passed, the graduate may use the initials CNA and make seek employment as a certified nursing assistant</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Will meet the requirements for CNA at any agency or any college in Wisconsin</li> </ul>		
<b>Disadvantages</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>This course will not allow the student to work as a CNA until first semester ADN Clinical is completed. Then the student maybe eligible to apply for CNA testing.</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Lab only setting, there is no clinical with this course so you will not have the experience of working with patients in a clinical setting.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Schedules vary</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Cost is approximately \$525.00 for the course &amp; \$115.00 to test</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Will not be able to use as an elective credit</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Can not work as a CNA unless course is completed and certification test is passed</li> </ul>		
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Also there is a 2 credit Basic Skills Refresher Course 10-543-121 that can be used to refresh nursing assistant skills prior to entering the nursing program.

**Pre-requisite: Must complete 10-543-120 or 30-543-300** before you are eligible to enroll in the Refresher.