

# Direct Care Practice

- Associate in Applied Science in Direct Care Practice
- Certificate of Completion in Direct Care Practice



## Where can this program take me?

**The Associate in Applied Science (AAS) in Direct Care Practice** prepares students for entry level positions as care providers in health and child welfare agencies and advances the knowledge and skills of those who are already working in the field of health and human services. The program combines specialized coursework in direct care practices with a General Education curriculum.

**The Certificate of Completion (CCL) in Direct Care Practice** prepares students for entry level positions as care providers in health and child welfare agencies and advances the knowledge and skills of those who are already working in the field of health and human services.

**For more information on this and other career and technical programs, please see the MCC catalog.**

## What are the requirements of this program? Associate in Applied Science in Direct Care Practice (64 credits)

Program Notes

+ indicates course has prerequisites and/or corequisites.

Students must earn a grade of "C" or better in all courses within the program.

### Admission Criteria

All students are required to submit a completed physical examination form, fingerprint screening, and CPR Certification prior to field placement. All immunizations indicated on the form must be current. When this form is on file, the college Records Office will issue a waiver clearing the student for field placement.

Program Prerequisites

High school diploma or GED and CPR Certification

### Required Courses (39 credits)

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| +DCP102 Introduction to Practice of Direct Care  | 3 |
| +DCP104 Health, Medications and Safety   | 2 |
| +DCP106 Behavioral Management Skills   | 3 |
| +DCP108 Information Management   | 2 |
| +DCP110 Site Management  | 2 |
| +DCP111 Practicum I: Onsite Supervised Practice  | 3 |
| HCC130 Fundamentals in Health Care Delivery (3) OR<br>HCC130AA Health Care Today (.5) AND<br>HCC130AB Workplace Behavior in Health Care (.5) AND<br>HCC130AC Personal Wellness and Safety (.5) AND<br>HCC130AD Communication & Teamwork/Health Care<br>Organizations (.5) AND<br>HCC130AE Legal Issues in Health Care (.5) AND<br>HCC130AF Decision Making in the Health Care Setting (.5) | 3 |
| HCC145AA Medical Terminology for Health Care Workers I   | 1 |
| PSY101 Introduction to Psychology  | 3 |
| +PSY240 Developmental Psychology   | 3 |
| +PSY241 Understanding and Changing Behavior  | 3 |
| +PSY242 Understanding and Changing Behavior Lab  | 1 |
| +PSY266 Abnormal Psychology  | 3 |
| +PSY280 Organizational Psychology  | 3 |
| PSY298AA Special Projects  | 1 |
| PSY298AC Special Projects  | 3 |

### Restricted Electives (3 credits)

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| SWU102 Introduction to Social Work | 3 |
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## General Education Requirements (25 credits)

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| First-Year Composition                                    |   |
| ENG101 First-Year Composition (3) AND                     |   |
| +ENG102 First-Year Composition (3)                        | 6 |
| Oral Communication  |   |
| COM110 Interpersonal Communication                        | 3 |
| Critical Reading  |   |
| +CRE101 Critical and Evaluative Reading I (3) OR          |   |
| +CRE111 Critical Reading for Business and Industry (3) OR |   |
| Equivalent as indicated by assessment.                    | 3 |
| Mathematics   |   |
| +MAT102 Mathematical Concepts/Applications                | 3 |
| Humanities & Fine Arts                                    |   |
| PHI212 Applied Ethics                                     | 3 |
| Social and Behavioral Sciences                            |   |
| REC120 Leisure and the Quality of Life                    | 3 |
| Natural Sciences  |   |
| BIO160 Introduction to Human Anatomy and Physiology       | 4 |

## Certificate of Completion in Direct Care Practice (19 credits)

Program Notes

+ indicates course has prerequisites and/or corequisites.

Students must earn a grade of "C" or better in all courses within the program.

Admission Criteria

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## Program Prerequisites

High school diploma or GED and CPR Certification

## Required Courses (19 credits)

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|--|---|
| +DCP102 Introduction to Practice of Direct Care          | 3 |
| +DCP104 Health, Medications and Safety                   | 2 |
| +DCP106 Behavioral Management Skills                     | 3 |
| +DCP108 Information Management                           | 2 |
| +DCP110 Site Management                                  | 2 |
| +DCP111 Practicum I: Onsite Supervised Practice          | 3 |
| HCC130AA Health Care Today (.5) AND                      |   |
| HCC130AB Workplace Behavior in Health Care (.5) AND      |   |
| HCC130AC Personal Wellness and Safety (.5) AND           |   |
| HCC130AD Communication & Teamwork/Health Care            |   |
| Organizations (.5) AND                                   |   |
| HCC130AE Legal Issues in Health Care (.5) AND            |   |
| HCC130AF Decision Making in the Health Care Setting (.5) | 3 |
| HCC145AA Medical Terminology for Health Care Workers I   | 1 |



# It's easy to get started at MCC ...



## Step 1: Complete a Student Information Form (application).

There are three ways you can do this:

- You can fill out a paper form and take it to the Admissions Office at MCC at Southern and Dobson or to Enrollment Services at MCC at Red Mountain
- You can complete the form online at [www.mc.maricopa.edu/services/student\\_services/](http://www.mc.maricopa.edu/services/student_services/)
- You can call MCC's phone center at 480-461-7700 and provide the information by phone.

## Step 2: Take placement tests to help you choose the right courses.

You need to take placement tests if you plan to enroll in English, math, reading, or English as a Second Language (ESL) classes.

There is no cost for testing, and you don't have to make an appointment.

- You can take a complete set of placement tests at MCC at Southern and Dobson at the following times:  
Mon & Thurs: 8:00 or 11:00 am, 2:00 or 5:30 pm  
Friday 8:00 or 11:00 am, 2:00 pm
- If you need to take only one or two tests, you can do so on a walk-in basis at any time.
- You can take placement tests at MCC at Red Mountain on a walk-in basis  
Monday - Thursday from 8:00 am - 8:00 pm.  
For additional information, call 480-461-7336 or visit [www.mc.maricopa.edu/services/testing/](http://www.mc.maricopa.edu/services/testing/).

## Step 3: Meet with an academic advisor.

You can see an academic advisor on a walk-in basis at both MCC campuses. Bring a copy of transcripts or grade reports if you have attended a university or a college outside the Maricopa County Community College District. Some courses require an advisor's signature before you can register. For more information, call 480-461-7222 or 480-654-7606 or visit [www.mc.maricopa.edu/services/advisement/](http://www.mc.maricopa.edu/services/advisement/).

## Step 4: Register for your classes.

Choose the way that is most convenient for you:

- Take your signed advisement/registration form to the Records Office at MCC at Southern and Dobson or to Enrollment Services at MCC at Red Mountain, or
- Register by phone at 480-461-7700. Be sure you meet the prerequisites for courses you want to register for by phone, or
- You can register online for courses that don't have prerequisites and for open-entry/self-paced and non-credit courses. Visit [www.mc.maricopa.edu/services/student\\_services/](http://www.mc.maricopa.edu/services/student_services/).

## Step 5: Pay your tuition and fees.

You can pay your tuition and fees in person at the Cashier's Office at either MCC at Southern and Dobson or MCC at Red Mountain. You can also leave your tuition in the specially marked dropbox on either campus, or pay by phone with your Visa, MasterCard, Discover Card, or American Express by calling 480-461-7700. Make sure to pay your tuition and fees before the billing date on your invoice to keep your place in the classes you've registered for.

Best wishes for your success at MCC!

## For more information, contact:

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[www.mc.maricopa.edu](http://www.mc.maricopa.edu)

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Mesa, Arizona 85207  
480-654-7200  
[www.mc.maricopa.edu/other/redmountain](http://www.mc.maricopa.edu/other/redmountain)

**All students** are urged to meet with an academic advisor regarding selection of courses. For the most current course requirements visit [www.maricopa.edu/academic/curric/newsresindx.php](http://www.maricopa.edu/academic/curric/newsresindx.php). For graduation requirements visit [www.dist.maricopa.edu/academic/curric](http://www.dist.maricopa.edu/academic/curric).

