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### History of the School

Concorde Career College, formerly Valley College of Medical and Dental Careers, has been operating since 1955. The original program offerings were Medical and Dental Assistant.

Over the years, the school has expanded its curricula to meet the increasing demands for trained allied health professionals in a variety of areas. The Vocational Nursing program, which prepares students for state licensure as licensed vocational nurses, was started in November 1966. The Respiratory Therapy program was added in 1969 and is fully accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC).

In May 1986, Concorde Career Colleges, Inc., acquired the school. In 1989, the campus name changed to Concorde Career Institute.

In September 1997, the campus moved to its current location on Victory Boulevard in North Hollywood.

Approval to grant associate degrees occurred in 1999. On August 15, 2005, the campus name changed to Concorde Career College.

### Location & Contact Information

The campus is located at 12412 Victory Boulevard, North Hollywood, CA 91606, two blocks west of Laurel Canyon Boulevard in North Hollywood; Phone: 818-766-8151; Fax: 818-301-2626; <u>www.concorde.edu</u>. Class sessions are held at this location.

Concorde Career College has no pending petition in bankruptcy, is not operating as a debtor in possession, has not filed a petition within the preceding five years, nor has a petition in bankruptcy been filed against it within the preceding five years that resulted in reorganization under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code (11 U.S.C. Sec. 1101 et seq.).

### Our Mission Statement

Concorde prepares committed students for successful employment in a rewarding healthcare profession through high-caliber training, real-world experience, and student-centered support.

This is Our Mission, our North Star, a guiding light that defines and illuminates the course to our future and for potential students, the path to a successful healthcare career. It defines our handshake with students and establishes the primacy of that covenant. We acknowledge their commitment, the financial and personal sacrifices they make to attend Concorde. We dedicate ourselves to making their sacrifices manageable, and we commit to truly preparing them for success in a gainful healthcare profession.

Our students have set very immediate goals for starting careers. The practical hands-on learning needed to attain their goals is foremost in their minds. We satisfy their expectations by modeling our faculty, facilities, equipment, and curriculum after the healthcare field they will enter.

We know that the ultimate judge of their preparation will be their future employers. Employers expect our students to have more than just knowledge and technical skills. They are looking for integrity, discipline, team play, and the drive that defines professionals, and we accept responsibility for modeling and instilling those values. We partner with employers to ensure our programs reflect real work expectations and settings through program advisory boards, externships, and clinical rotations. Once students have completed their training, we again call on our network of employer relationships to support students in securing a job in their chosen profession.

Throughout our students' preparation, we endeavor to meet the highest practicable standards, and our faculty, equipment, and facilities reflect that commitment. We strive for superior outcomes in student satisfaction, program completion and, most importantly, career placement.

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We are Concorde Career College and this is Our Mission.

### <u>Values</u>

The five core values at Concorde are:

- Integrity
- Respect for the Individual
- Customer Service
- Teamwork
- Achievement

### Administration

Concorde Career Colleges, Inc., and its subsidiaries, 6701 W. 64th St., Suite 200, Overland Park, KS 66202, is a national network of proprietary schools offering training in allied health occupations. Concorde Career Colleges, Inc., is a wholly owned subsidiary of UTI Holdings, Inc. Officers of the subsidiary are Kevin Prehn,

President, Juli Fisher, Chief Financial Officer and Administrative Officer, and Jeremiah Hatcher, Corporate Secretary.

The Board of Directors of Concorde Career Colleges, Inc. is composed of the following individuals: Jerome Grant, Chairman of the Board and CEO of Universal Technical Institute, Inc. ("UTI"); Troy Anderson, Treasurer of the Board and Chief Financial Officer of UTI; and Christopher Kevane, Secretary of the Board and Chief Legal Officer of UTI.

# Accreditations, Approvals & Memberships

### Institutional Accreditations

- Accredited by the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges (ACCSC), a nationally recognized accrediting agency.
- Concorde Career College is a private Institution that has been granted approval to operate by the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (BPPE). The Institution's approval to operate as a private postsecondary Institution in the State of California is based on provisions of the California Private Postsecondary Education Act (CPPEA) of 2009 (California Education Code, Title 3, Division 10, Part 59, Chapter 8), which is effective January 1, 2010. The BPPE website may be accessed at http://www.bppe.ca.gov/.
- Approved by the State of California Vocational Rehabilitation Department.
- Approved for the use of VA Educational Benefits for those who are eligible.
- Designated for referrals by city, county and state workforce, retraining, rehabilitation and vocational guidance agencies.
- Eligible to participate in the student financial assistance programs authorized by Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended.
- Approved for Workforce Investment Act, Title I Training Funds.

### Programmatic Accreditations Physical Therapist Assistant Program

The Physical Therapist Assistant program at Concorde Career College – North Hollywood is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE), 3030 Potomac Ave., Ste 100, Alexandria, Virginia 22305; telephone: 703-706-3245; email: <u>accreditation@apta.org</u>; website: <u>http://capteonline.org</u>. If needing to contact the program/institution directly please call 818-766-8151 or email <u>YVerba@concorde.edu</u>.

### **Respiratory Therapy Program**

The Respiratory Therapy program (#200440) is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care; <u>www.coarc.com</u>.

#### Surgical Technology Program

The Surgical Technology program is accredited by the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools (ABHES), 6116 Executive Blvd., Suite 730, North Bethesda, MD 20852; **www.abhes.org**.

### Vocational Nursing Program

The Vocational Nursing program is approved by the California State Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians (BVNPT). Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians: 2535 Capitol Oaks Drive, Suite 205, Sacramento, CA 95833; 916-263-7800.

### **Campus Facilities**

The campus occupies over 35,000 square feet of space, and the facilities include both laboratory and academic classrooms, a student lounge, a Learning Resource Center, and administrative offices. Instructional areas are equipped with the type of equipment found in medical and dental offices, clinics, laboratories, and hospitals.

### **General Facilities**

Among the various classrooms, laboratories, and other facilities provided for students are:

- Computer laboratories equipped with word processing software, office management software, and equipment for self-paced keyboarding and typing instruction.
- A dental x-ray darkroom equipped for the processing of dental x-rays.
- A dental laboratory onsite and fully functional, equipped with four dental operatories, dental x-ray units, and teaching and x-ray mannequins.
- Medical laboratories equipped with examining tables, mannequins, and simulated examination rooms.
- A nursing skill laboratory, including hospital beds and simulated patient units.
- A physical therapist assistant laboratory treatment area, including treatment tables, assessment tools, and therapeutic equipment.
- A respiratory laboratory equipped with therapeutic equipment.
- Surgical technology labs with a simulated operating room and scrub area.
- A Learning Resource Center (LRC), providing a quiet area where students may refer to various publications, journals, technical manuals, and

reference books. Students are allowed to check out books from the LRC for purposes of research, review, or report preparation. Books may be checked out with the library supervisor. Students are also able to complete homework assignments with the use of eight online computers.

Students will be held responsible and accountable for books and other items belonging to Concorde Career Colleges, Inc., and the LRC. Once a book, or other item, is borrowed from the LRC by a student, it becomes the responsibility of the receiver (student) to maintain the integrity/ condition of the book and return the item within three business days (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays). Students who have checked out a book from the LRC will have three business days to use the item in its educational capacity. If the book is needed for longer than the three-day checkout, it may be rechecked at the discretion of the LRC Coordinator. If the book is then not returned within the threeday period, a charge of \$.50 per day will be assessed. If the student loses the book, the student will be responsible for paying the original list price for the lost book. If the student damages the book, the student can be charged a minimum of \$10, up to full, original list price, depending on the damage and ability to reuse the book.

Students are placed on Records Hold until all LRC materials are either returned or the replacement cost of any damaged or lost materials is paid.

 A nonsmoking student lounge, which includes vending machines and microwaves, is available for student use.

### Equipment

Equipment and instruments are available to instruct students in the skills they will need in their chosen careers. Concorde students acquire knowledge and technical skills through demonstrations, actual operation of equipment, and the practice of techniques. Among the major items of equipment available to Concorde students are the following (by program):

### Dental Assistant Program

The dental laboratory area has four dental operatories. The dental lab room is equipped with lathes, model trimmers, bench grinders, vibrators, sterilization equipment, hydrocolloid units, and other teaching aids.

One operatory is designated for a local practicing dentist to see private patients. This provides students a unique opportunity for hands-on training and observation. This is a fully equipped, fully functional dental facility with dental x-ray units, including digital xrays, darkroom, and teaching and x-ray mannequins.

### Medical Assistant Program

This program has a laboratory stocked with medical test supplies and equipment, such as stethoscopes, glucometers, sphygmomanometers, examination and treatment tables, autoclaves, electrocardiograph machines, centrifuges, microscopes, teaching mannequins, and other teaching aids.

### Physical Therapist Assistant Program

Equipment includes treatment tables, electromagnetic and electrical stimulation devices, biofeedback units, ultrasound, traction, thermal modalities and adaptive equipment. Therapeutic exercise equipment includes a treadmill, parallel bars, exercise balls, free weights, balance boards, and other devices that promote fine and gross motor skills. Assistive devices include wheelchairs, walkers, crutches, canes, and orthotics/ braces. Assessment equipment includes stethoscopes, goniometers, postural screening boards, pulse oximeters, spirometers, and other teaching aids.

### Respiratory Therapy Program

This program has a comprehensive laboratory equipped with oxygen devices, aerosol/humidity devices, lung expansion devices (intermittent positive pressure breathing machines, incentive spirometers, continuous positive airway pressure machines), mechanical ventilators (respirators), airway maintenance devices (suction machines, intubation tools, artificial airways), and ancillary equipment (arterial blood gas equipment, oximetry, capnography, pulmonary function equipment, mannequins), plus a library complete with respiratory and respiratoryrelated medical journals, texts, and audiovisual equipment.

### Surgical Technology Program

This program has a lab equipped with an operating room bed, back tables, mayo stands, prep table, steam autoclave, overhead operating surgery light, anesthesia machine, disposable medical and surgical supplies, kick buckets, scrub sinks, supply storage cabinets, and other miscellaneous teaching aids.

During the enrollment process, students will sign a disclosure to include the location of the campus where they will attend along with their address. If a student changes their address during their enrollment, they should contact the Campus Registrar at the location where they are enrolled.

### Vocational Nursing Program

The Vocational Nursing program offers catheters, nasogastric tubes, oxygen and masks, needles, syringes, suction machine, K-pad, wheelchairs, stethoscopes, sphygmomanometers, Glucoscan, thermometers, ophthalmoscope, simulated patient units, teaching mannequins/models, sterile supplies, and other teaching aids.

### Audiovisual Aids

Concorde's programs are supported with reference books, charts, field trips, demonstrations, and other teaching aids. Speakers from business and industry are used when possible to supplement classroom instruction.

# **Admissions**

### **Entrance Requirements**

As a prospective student, you are encouraged to review this catalog prior to signing an Enrollment Agreement. You are also encouraged to review the School Performance Fact Sheet, which must be provided to you prior to signing an Enrollment Agreement.

The school reserves the right to reject applicants and/ or rescind eligibility for an applicant to begin classes if all general and selective admissions requirements are not successfully completed within the required timeframe.

Admission to any one program does not automatically qualify a student for admission into any other program. If a student wishes to apply to another program in the future, the individual must independently meet all the admissions requirements in place for that program at the time of the future enrollment. The student will also be subject to all selection procedures in place for admittance into the other program. Admittance into the other program is not guaranteed.

### California's Relay Service

Concorde uses California's Relay Service. TTY Users: 1-877-735-2929 or 1-888-877-5378; Voice Users: 1-888-877-5379; Spanish Users: 1-888-877-5381. These are all toll free numbers.

### General Admissions Requirements

The following items must be successfully completed prior to enrollment and prior to being eligible to sit in class:

- Personal interview and campus tour
- Completion of all admissions documentation, including but not limited to the Enrollment Agreement and disclosures
- Completion and passage of applicable entrance assessments
- Completion of Online Readiness Assessment
- Acceptable proof of graduation, which includes one of the following (1):
- Copy of high school diploma or unofficial or official transcripts (must be a standard high school diploma not including special diploma, certificate of completion or other diplomas that do not meet the standards or regular high school requirements)
- Home school transcripts
- Copy of a General Education Diploma (GED) or successful completion of other high school equivalency exam (e.g. HiSET)
- Copy of a diploma, unofficial or official transcripts of a conferred Associate, Bachelor's, Master's or

Doctoral degree from an accredited postsecondary institution recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

- In accordance with Federal regulations, to be a recognized equivalent of a proof of high school diploma, the following are acceptable:
  - 1. Successful completion of an associate degree program (diploma or transcripts);
  - Success completion of at least 60 semester or trimester credit hours or 72 quarter credit hours that did not result in the awarding of an associate degree, but that are acceptable for full credit toward a bachelor's degree at any institution (transcripts); or
  - 3. Enrollment in a bachelor's degree program where at least 60 semester or trimester credit hours or 72 quarter credit hours have been successfully completed, including credit hours transferred into the bachelor's degree program (transcripts).
- Foreign transcripts (high school or college) accompanied by foreign evaluation report and translation (if applicable).

<sup>(1)</sup> Acceptable documentation of high school graduation must be received by the Institution prior to the student's first scheduled class of the program. It is the student's responsibility to provide acceptable documentation of high school graduation or its equivalency, as well as any additional documentation that may be needed to support the validity of the documentation. Any student who does not provide valid documentation of high school graduation or its equivalent within this timeframe will be unregistered from all classes and his or her program of study.

Prospective students may be conditionally accepted contingent upon satisfaction of all admissions requirements and receipt of supporting documentation no later than the first scheduled day of class.

Admission to Concorde is open to all applicants who will be 18 years of age at the time the clinical/ externship portion of their program begins (as applicable). A parent, legal guardian, or spouse of legal age must co-sign the Enrollment Agreement for applicants under 18.

A health certificate, immunization records, and the results of certain tests may be required for some programs.

Applicants must be able to read, speak, and write English.

Please refer to the "Financial Information" section of this catalog for information on additional requirements applicable to tuition financing.

All applicants must be citizens, permanent residents, or eligible noncitizens of the United States. Documentation of eligibility status may be required.

### Social Security Number

Applicants for admission must possess a valid social security number. Documentation must be provided upon request. A valid social security number is required to be registered and/or certified by appropriate boards. Other documents may be required by some licensing agencies.

### Foreign Students

Applicants indicating that they graduated from a foreign high school and have the equivalent of a U.S. secondary education must present original credentials (diploma, transcript, etc.). In addition, documentation from foreign countries must be translated and certified to be at least the equivalent of a U.S. high school diploma.

### Foreign Transcripts

Coursework taken at a foreign institution (excluding secondary school documents that are in English and are recognized by the U.S. Department of Education) must be evaluated for equivalence to coursework taken at a United States institution. Concorde only accepts for consideration the evaluations of foreign coursework conducted by agencies approved by the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES) or Association of International Credential Evaluators, Inc. (AICE), which charge applicants directly for these services. Listings of approved agencies can be found at:

- <u>www.naces.org</u>
- <u>www.aice-eval.org</u>

### **Document Integrity**

Any forged/altered academic document, foreign or domestic, submitted by a prospective student will be retained as property of the Institution and will not be returned to the prospective student. The student will not be considered for admission.

If a student is currently attending, and the Institution becomes aware of a forged credential, the following applies:

- If the forged document was used to admit the student, and the absence of that credential would make the student inadmissible, the student will be dismissed from the Institution with no earned credits awarded; or
- If the forged document was used to gain transfer credit, the student will be dismissed from the Institution and any transfer credit already awarded from the forged credential will be removed.

### Personal Interview

The school requires a personal, on-campus interview with each applicant prior to acceptance into any program. The school encourages parents or spouses to attend the interview. This gives applicants and their families the opportunity to see the campus's equipment and facilities and to ask specific questions relating to the school, the curriculum, and the career training being considered. The personal interview also gives the school the opportunity to meet prospective students and evaluate their qualifications and aptitude. Certain programs may also require an interview with the program director prior to enrollment.

### Acceptance by the School

For Dental Assistant and Medical Assistant programs, available seats are filled on a first-come-first-served basis once all entrance requirements have been fulfilled.

For all other programs, once all entrance requirements have been completed, the applicant will be placed on a waitlist.

### Student Orientation

Prior to beginning classes, all new students attend an orientation program. Orientation facilitates a successful transition into Concorde; therefore, attendance for new students is imperative regardless of prior college experience. At orientation, students are acquainted with the campus, administrative staff, faculty and their peers. Administrative departments explain ways in which they assist students and clarify students' rights and responsibilities. In the event a student is unable to attend orientation, Student Affairs will meet with the student during the first week of class to ensure all relevant information is reviewed with him/her.

### <u>Waitlists</u>

Concorde limits the number of students who are accepted for admission to its programs to maintain optimum faculty to student ratios and ensure appropriate clinical opportunity for all students. Once all applicants are processed, those placed on the waitlist will be ranked using a rubric. The rubric is a points-based assessment, with points awarded based on applicant success in the following components: Online Readiness Assessment, clinical entrance assessment, interview with department personnel, and financial readiness.

### <u>Alternates</u>

Depending on circumstances, students may be conditionally accepted into certain programs as an Alternate Student. Alternates are chosen based on the rank order of the waitlist. Waitlist applicants selected as an alternate must attend orientation and all classes scheduled in the first seven calendar days. Alternates are subject to the requirements of the school catalog, including attendance, behavior, dress code, and classroom assignments.

Should space become available within the seven days, alternates have the opportunity to be accepted as regular students. If not formally accepted as regular students during the seven days, alternates will not be able to attend further classes. If not accepted as regular students, alternates will not incur any tuition charges. Alternates may be charged for books and equipment not returned in accordance with the requirements of the school catalog and the Enrollment Agreement. Alternates not accepted as regular students have the option of transferring their enrollment to a future start date or canceling it.

### Retest for Waitlist

Prospective students who are placed on a waitlist for any program may retest for a higher score at their own expense. Contact the Director of Admissions for further information.

### Distance Education

Currently, the school offers General Education classes and certain core classes through online delivery. The online courses are offered through a consortium agreement with Concorde Career College, Kansas City, Mo. Certain courses may only be offered in a distance education format; therefore, all students must meet the requirements outlined in the "Distance Education/ Online" section of this catalog.

In addition to the Entrance Assessment Requirements below, all students must take an Online Readiness Assessment (ORA) immediately following the first attempt of the Wonderlic. A passing score on the Wonderlic does not preclude the requirement for the applicant to complete the ORA. The ORA is used for assessing the applicant's readiness for online coursework and to identify any obstacles where he or she may need extra support or guidance.

### Entrance Assessment Requirements

Prospective students applying for admission who are high school graduates or hold a GED must meet the minimum assessment scores as follows:

	Wonderlic SLE	HESI A <sup>2</sup>
Dental Assistant	8	N/A
Medical Assistant	8	N/A

Physical Therapist Assistant	18	70
Respiratory Therapy	17	70
Sterile Processing Technician	8	N/A
Surgical Technology AS	17	65
Vocational Nursing	17	70

Applicants for all programs may attempt the Wonderlic a total of three times (only twice on the same day) and, when required, the Health Education Systems, Inc.

(HESI) A<sup>2</sup> entrance assessment a total of two times. If the minimum score is not met, the applicant must wait six (6) months before retesting.

#### An applicant may retake the HESI A<sup>2</sup> entrance exam <u>only once</u> after passing the required cut scores at the student's expense.

All students must complete the Online Readiness Assessment.

All previously completed HESI assessments from Concorde, or another institution will be accepted at Concorde's approved acceptable minimum scores. In addition, assessments from other institutions must not have been taken within 30 days of enrollment.

The Wonderlic SLE requirement may be waived upon receipt of documentation of any of the following:

- SAT score of 1000 or above achieved within five years of the date of application to Concorde.
- ACT score of 19 or above achieved within five years of the date of application to Concorde.
- Official proof of successfully passing the Wonderlic SLE at the current required score.
- All core applicants and reentry students are exempt from Wonderlic SLE testing if they can provide a copy or unofficial transcripts of earning an Associate's or higher degree that was taught in the English language.

The HESI A<sup>2</sup> requirement may be waived:

- The student is applying to a program for which the HESI A<sup>2</sup> is not required for waitlist rankings.
- The student provides a copy or unofficial transcripts of earning an Associate's or higher degree that was taught in the English language.
   Applicants with an approved HESI A<sup>2</sup> waiver must still take the Wonderlic SLE and meet the minimum score.

• The applicant achieves a Wonderlic SLE score of 20 or higher for Surgical Technology or Vocational Nursing; or 21 or higher for Physical Therapist Assistant or Respiratory Therapy.

### Clinical Programs

Prospective clinical students will sit for the Wonderlic SLE. Prospective students applying for clinical programs that lead to board exams and/or licensure who meet the initial Wonderlic SLE acceptable minimum score will be required to take the HESI (excluding those exempted above). Candidates for these programs must achieve the minimum composite score to move forward in the admissions process.

Those meeting the Wonderlic SLE minimum score requirement and HESI minimum score requirement will be placed on a waitlist, if applicable. The list will be sorted high to low based on the current waitlist criteria. Students will be selected from the waitlist and notified at least two weeks before the start of the program.

### Program-Specific Selective Admissions Criteria

In addition to meeting the General Admissions Requirements, applicants to the following programs must also meet the following selective criteria.

### Physical Therapist Assistant

The Physical Therapist Assistant program requires an interview with the Program Director for admission. The Program Director interview takes into consideration previous academic performance, healthcare experience, and overall professional presentation. The outcome of the Program Director interview is considered in ranking applicants.

### **Respiratory Therapy**

The Respiratory Therapy program requires an interview with the Program Director for admission. The Program Director interview takes into consideration previous academic performance, healthcare experience, and overall professional presentation. The outcome of the Program Director interview is considered in ranking applicants.

### Surgical Technology

The Surgical Technology program requires an interview with the Program Director for admission. The Program Director interview takes into consideration previous academic performance, healthcare experience, and overall professional presentation. The outcome of the Program Director interview is considered in ranking applicants. During the enrollment process, students will sign a disclosure to include the location of the campus where they will attend along with their address. If a student changes their address during their enrollment, they should contact the Campus Registrar at the location where they are enrolled.

### Vocational Nursing

The Vocational Nursing program requires an interview with the Program Director for admission. The Program Director interview takes into consideration previous academic performance, healthcare experience, and overall professional presentation. The outcome of the Program Director interview is considered in ranking applicants.

### Readmission

Effective: 06/10/2022

It is Concorde's policy to encourage previously withdrawn students to return to school to complete their education.

Students must meet all entrance requirements in place at the time of readmission. The reentry process requires review and approval of the student's financial status, financial aid eligibility (when applicable), completion of enrollment agreement, collection and review of official transcripts, as well as prior academic performance and any other documentation required by the program the student is reentering. Students may be required to demonstrate skill competency prior to readmission and may have to repeat a course(s) depending on the results. Readmission is contingent upon space availability and requires final approval of the Campus President. Returning students will be enrolled into the program curriculum in place at time of reentry; exceptions may apply for students who are withdrawn in good standing. Students who are dismissed from the program are not eligible for readmission. Under certain conditions, students may be required to complete and pass a drug screening, at their expense, prior to readmission as outlined in the Drug Screening section of this catalog.

### Criminal Background Check Effective: 04/15/2022

It is Concorde's policy to ensure that enrolling students are aware of the potential effect and consequences of past criminal behaviors. Externship/clinical sites, employers or state/national licensing agencies have requirements that could prevent a student from completing the program or finding employment in his/ her chosen field. Consent to perform a criminal background check must be completed and received as part of the admissions process. Results will be evaluated immediately upon receipt, but no later than the add/drop period. Because convictions, guilty pleas or nolo contendre pleas for certain drug or alcohol related, fraud based or other serious crimes could prevent a student from being assigned to an extern or clinical site, or prevent a student from obtaining licensure or certification, students will be advised accordingly. A listing of the specific offenses that which will make it difficult, if not impossible to be placed at a clinical site or find employment can be obtained from the Institution.

If a potential applicant believes that the results of the background check are incorrect, the Institution will provide the student with the applicable contact information.

Many states, employers, and agencies impose restrictions on the employment, registration, licensure, or certification of workers with certain criminal convictions. Facilities and institutions that accept Concorde students for clinical rotation and/or externships, as well as potential employers, may require an additional criminal and/or personal background check and may reject a student based on criteria different from those applied to the student during the enrollment process.

Additionally, some agencies and employers may require candidates to submit to a drug screening test. Students with criminal records that include felonies or misdemeanors (including those that are drug-related) or personal background issues such as bankruptcy might not be accepted by these agencies for clinical assignments, externship or employment following completion of the program. Employment and externship decisions are outside the control of the Institution.

Concorde cannot guarantee clinical rotation and/or externship placements for individuals with criminal, drug-related, or personal background histories that preclude them from working in a professional setting.

Applicants who have questions regarding how these issues may affect their clinical/externship placement or potential future employment should discuss this matter with a school official prior to beginning their program.

# Drug Screening

Effective: 11/22/2023

Applicants are advised that the cost of the background check/drug screen is an out-of-pocket expense. Current and future students may contact an admissions representative and/or program director of the program of interest for more information regarding these requirements.

Externship and clinical facilities may require the school to follow drug-screening requirements including

unannounced screening prior to working with patients. Concorde reserves the right to conduct random drug screening at anytime throughout the program. Drug Screening results are confidential, and are evaluated on a pass/fail basis. Students failing the final screening that is reviewed by the Medical Review Officer will immediately be withdrawn from the school. A student may request a retest at his or her own expense if they believe the screening resulted in a false positive. The rescreening must consist of an observed urine test within 48 hours at a facility directed by Concorde. If the retest is negative, the student may continue in school. If the results of the retest are diluted, adulterated, and/or substituted readings will be considered "flagged" and will be considered a failed test.

A student withdrawn for a failed drug screening has one opportunity to be eligible to apply for readmission into the school and program of study under the following conditions: Prior to readmission, a drug screening must be taken at the direction of the school and paid for by the student. If the drug screening is negative and the student meets all conditions of the Readmission section of this catalog, then the student may be approved to re-enter into the school and program. If the drug screening is positive, the student will be prohibited from reentering the school and program at any time in the future. Any subsequent violation of the drug policy after readmission will result in immediate dismissal.

Students should be advised that Concorde is governed by federal law in matters regarding the possession and use of controlled or illegal substances. As referenced in the Drug & Alcohol Abuse Policy outlined in this catalog, the possession or use of amphetamines, cocaine, marijuana, opiates, and phencyclidine are illegal under federal law.

The possession or use of marijuana is illegal under federal law, notwithstanding the provisions of the Compassionate Use Act (California Health & Safety Code 11362.5). A physician's recommendation under that Act has no legal effect under federal law, and a positive drug test result for metabolites of marijuana will result in a student's dismissal from school.

Additionally, clinical sites may require drug testing as a condition of participation. Concorde does not accommodate student requests to be exempt from placement at clinical/extern sites that require drug testing.

If a student has a prescription for a controlled substance, with the exception of any recommendation for marijuana under the Compassionate Use Act, he or she should provide proof of this to Concorde within 7 calendar days of self-disclosure or immediately following a failed drug test result. The said documentation should include written verification of controlled substance prescription from the student's

physician. Concorde reserves the right to verify documentation upon student's authorization. Students should be advised that Concorde is governed by federal law in matters regarding the possession and use of controlled or illegal substances.

### Disclosure Concerning Arbitration and Class Action Waiver

Effective: 07/06/2020

As part of your enrollment at the school, you are being required to sign an arbitration agreement and class action waiver, which are defined as follows:

Arbitration, a form of alternative dispute resolution, is a way to resolve disputes outside the courts. The dispute will be decided by one or more persons (the 'arbitrators', 'arbiters' or 'arbitral tribunal'), which renders the 'arbitration award'. An arbitration award is legally binding on both sides and enforceable in the courts. A pre-dispute arbitration agreement requires a person to obtain relief through arbitration instead of seeking relief through litigation in the courts.

A class action waiver prevents an individual from bringing or participating in a class action. A class action, also known as a class action lawsuit, class suit, or representative action, is a type of lawsuit where one of the parties is a group of people who are represented collectively by a member of that group.

In addition, the school cannot require that the borrower participate in arbitration, nor in any internal dispute resolution process, prior to the borrower's filing of a defense to repayment claim with the U.S. Department of Education under 34 C.F.R. § 685.206(e); the school cannot in any way require that a student limit, waive, or relinquish their ability to pursue filing a borrower defense claim with the U.S. Department of Education under 34 C.F.R. § 685.206(e); and, if any arbitration is ultimately undertaken pursuant to a pre-dispute arbitration agreement, the period of that arbitration tolls the limitations period for filing a borrower defense to repayment application or claim with the U.S. Department of Education under 34 C.F.R. § 685.206(e)(6)(ii).

### Articulation Partnerships for Concorde – California

Concorde is proud to partner with a growing list of other institutions of higher education. Articulation partners allow students to continue pursuing their education by transferring credits earned at Concorde. Transfer of credit and program availability varies by each articulation partner.

Credits that transfer to an institution are done so on an individual course basis. Please contact the Academics or Student Affairs team for details.

### Articulation (Partnership) Agreements

- Chamberlain College of Nursing
- Colorado Technical University
- Grand Canyon University
- Grantham University
- Minnesota State University-Mankato
- National American University
- Park University
- United States University
- University of Phoenix

### Veterans Administration Students

Students applying for veteran's benefits must report all previous education and training. The school will evaluate any previous postsecondary transcripts to determine appropriate credit. The veteran and Veterans Administration will be notified of any reduction in training time or tuition.

# Statement of Nondiscrimination

No person shall be excluded from participation, denied any benefits, or subjected to any form of discrimination based on race, sex, religion, color, national origin, age, disability, or any other factor protected by law.

## **Programs of Study**

### **Dental Assistant**

Diploma Program Contact Hours: 890 Semester Credits: 30.5 Instructional Weeks – Full Time: 38 Average Time to Complete – Full Time: 10 Months

#### **Program Overview**

This program is designed to provide the graduate with necessary skills for entry-level employment as a chairside Dental Assistant and front office Dental Assistant. This program is approved by the Dental Board of California. Upon completion, the graduate is eligible to sit for the written and practical California State Board Examination to become a Registered Dental Assistant. Registration and certification requirements for taking and passing these examinations are not controlled by Concorde, but by outside agencies, and are subject to change by the agency without notice. Therefore, Concorde cannot guarantee that graduates will be eligible to take these exams, at all or at any specific time, regardless of their eligibility status upon enrollment.

### Program Delivery

The Dental Assistant program is delivered in a blended format. Courses will be delivered entirely online, entirely onground or with an appropriate blend of both online and on-ground hours in the same course. Of the 890 program hours, a maximum of 445 course hours (50.0%) may be offered online.

### **Program Objectives**

- Perform administrative duties and chairside assisting, advise patients on dental care as directed by the dentist, and respond to medical emergencies (CPR).
- Utilize proper sterilization techniques and infection control procedures as required by OSHA.
- Utilize principles of dental radiology to position, expose, process, and mount dental radiographs.
- Comply with the California Dental Practice Act and perform all dental assisting procedures allowed under the Dental Practice Act.
- Perform coronal polishing of the teeth and ultrasonic scaling in an orthodontic setting to remove cement around bands.
- Sit for the State Board Examination to become a Registered Dental Assistant (RDA) and consequently perform RDA functions in the dental office.

Course #	Course Title	Theory Hours (Ground/Online)	Lab Hours (Ground/Online)	Externship Hours (Ground/Online)	Semester Credit Hours
CPSO1021	Career Path Success A	15(0/15)			0.5
CPSO1022	Career Path Success B	15(0/15)			0.5
CPSO1023	Career Path Success C	15(0/15)			0.5
CPSO1024	Career Path Success D	15(0/15)			0.5
CPSO1025	Career Path Success E	15(0/15)			0.5
CPSO1026	Career Path Success F	15(0/15)			0.5
DNTA1331	Introduction to Dental Assisting and Dental Terminology	40(8/32)	40 ( 32 / 8 )		3
DNTA1333	Dental Specialties	40(8/32)	40(32/8)		3
DNTA1335	Materials and Procedures	40(8/32)	40(32/8)		3

				160 (125/35)	
DNTA1347	Externship			160 ( 125 / 35 )	3.5
DNTA1345	Additional Duties of the Dental Assistant II	40(8/32)	40(40/0)		3
DNTA1343	Additional Duties of the Dental Assistant I	40(8/32)	40(40/0)		3
DNTA1341	Dental Radiology	40(8/32)	40 ( 32 / 8 )		3
DNTA1339	Diagnostics and Orthodontics	40(8/32)	40 ( 32 / 8 )		3
DNTA1337	Patient Care and Management	40(8/32)	40 ( 32 / 8 )		3

### This applies to all students starting on or after February 12, 2024

Course #	Course Title	Theory Hours (Ground/Online)	Lab Hours (Ground/Online)	Clinical Hours (Ground/Online)	Semester Credit Hours
DNTA1324	Infection Control	55(8/47)	40 ( 32 / 8 )	0	3.5
DNTA1354	Dental Specialties	55(8/47)	40(32/8)	0	3.5
DNTA1364	Materials & Instruments	55 ( 8 / 47 )	40 ( 32 / 8 )	0	3.5
DNTA1374	Business Operations and Emergencies	55(8/47)	40(32/8)	0	3.5
DNTA1384	Preventive Dentistry	55 ( 8 / 47 )	40 ( 32 / 8 )	0	3.5
DNTA1394	Radiation Safety	55 ( 8 / 47 )	40 ( 32 / 8 )	0	3.5
DNTA2324	RDA Radiation Safety & Coronal Polishing	40 ( 8 / 32 )	40(40/0)	0	3
DNTA2334	RDA Radiation Safety & Pit and Fissure Sealants	40 ( 8 / 32 )	40(40/0)	0	3
DNTA1347	Externship			160 ( 125 / 35 )	3.5
	Subtotal	410 (64/346)	320 (272/48)	160 (125/35)	30.5

### **Medical Assistant**

Diploma Program Contact Hours: 800 Semester Credits: 26 Instructional Weeks – Full Time: 32 Average Time to Complete – Full Time: 9 Months

### Program Overview

Whether in a physician's office, a clinic, or hospital-owned physician network, the Medical Assistant performs many services on the physician's behalf. These may include admissions work, preparing the patient for examination or treatment, operating diagnostic equipment, and performing diagnostic procedures. The Medical Assistant is also responsible for the patient's medical records and insurance forms as well as for scheduling appointments and maintaining medical records for the physician.

### Program Delivery

The Medical Assistant program is delivered in a blended format. Courses will be delivered entirely online, entirely onground or with an appropriate blend of both online and on-ground hours in the same course. Of the 800 program hours, a maximum of 400 course hours (50.0%) may be offered online.

### **Program Objectives**

Upon completion of the Medical Assistant program, the student will possess the knowledge and skills required in the areas of anatomy, physiology, pathology, the body systems, medical terminology, medical front office procedures, venipuncture, laboratory diagnostic procedures, EKG, and administration of parenteral medications to function successfully in an entry-level position as a Medical Assistant in a clinic or a physician's office.

Course #	Course Title	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Theory Hours (Ground/Online)	Lab Hours (Ground/Online)	Externship Hours (Ground/Online)	
MDCA1313	General Patient Care, Skeletal and Muscular Systems			55(10/45)	40 ( 30 / 10 )	0	3.5
MDCA1323	Medical Ethics, Nervous and Sensory Systems			55 ( 10 / 45 )	40 ( 30 / 10 )	0	3.5
MDCA1333	Office Procedures, Digestive and Reproductive Systems			55(10/45)	40 ( 30 / 10 )	0	3.5
MDCA1343	Endocrine, Cardiology, and Professional Communicati on			55(10/45)	40 ( 30 / 10 )	0	3.5
MDCA1353	Diagnostic Procedures,			55(10/45)	40 ( 30 / 10 )	0	3.5

			Total	330 (60/270)	240 (180/60)	230 (160/70)	26
MDCA1202	Externship II	MDCA1201				115 ( 80 / 35 )	2.5
		MDCA1323 MDCA1323 MDCA1333 MDCA1343 MDCA1353 MDCA1363				119(007/997	2.5
MDCA1363	Pharmacology , Health Insurance and Respiratory System Externship I			55 ( 10 / 45 )	40 ( 30 / 10 )	0	2.5
	Hematology, Urinary System & Medical Billing						

### **Physical Therapist Assistant**

Associate of Science Degree Program Contact Hours: 1,845 Semester Credits: 78 Instructional Weeks – Full Time: 80 Average Time to Complete – Full Time: 20 Months

### **Program Overview**

Physical Therapist Assistants (PTA) provide physical therapy services under the direction and supervision of a licensed Physical Therapist. The PTA implements the Physical Therapist's plan of care, assessing patient status and modifying selected interventions to progress and protect the safety and comfort of the patient. The PTA helps people of all ages who have impairments that limit movement, function, work and recreational activities. The PTA works in a variety of settings, including hospitals, inpatient rehabilitation facilities, private practices, outpatient clinics, home health, skilled nursing facilities, schools, sports facilities, and more. The PTA provides a variety of physical therapy techniques as they carry out the Physical Therapist's plan of care for the patient, including therapeutic exercise, functional training, soft tissue mobilization, and physical modalities, such as electrotherapy and ultrasound. The PTA may also assist the Physical Therapist in injury prevention, fitness, and wellness-oriented programs for a healthier and a more active lifestyle. To work as a PTA, an individual must graduate from a PTA program accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE), must apply and be accepted as a licensed/certified PTA applicant, and must pass the National Physical Therapist Assistant Examination (NPTAE) and, if required by the state, the state jurisprudence examination. Other requirements vary from state to state, according to physical therapy practice acts or state regulations governing physical therapy.

Registration and certification requirements for taking and passing these examinations are not controlled by Concorde, but by outside agencies, and are subject to change by the agency without notice. Therefore, Concorde cannot guarantee that graduates will be eligible to take these exams, at all or at any specific time, regardless of their eligibility status upon enrollment.

### **Program Mission**

In keeping with the mission of Concorde, the PTA program will provide a student-centered learning environment that will prepare knowledgeable, competent and caring individuals for a rewarding career as a PTA. Through diverse training in the classroom and laboratory as well as real-world experiences, PTA students will acquire the theoretical knowledge, technical skills, critical reasoning, and professional behaviors necessary to become contributing and collaborative members of the healthcare profession. The program is dedicated to graduating entry-level PTAs who will utilize evidence-based, current practice to best meet the diverse needs of employers and citizens, while providing quality patient care under the direction and supervision of a Physical Therapist. Ultimately, the program strives to instill professional commitment, community involvement, and lifelong learning that will continually enhance the career of the PTA.

### Skill Competency

The Physical Therapist Assistant program has a unique testing policy that ensures student competency of skills necessary to progress in the program. See the Physical Therapist Assistant Student Handbook for the Minimum Competence & Program Continuation policies.

### **Program Objectives**

The objective of the program is to graduate PTAs who are knowledgeable, competent, and service-oriented care providers. The PTA curriculum will reflect current practice and include real-world clinical experiences, preparing the graduate to perform selected interventions and data collection, as well as assess the patient's/client's safety and response to interventions. These skills will be performed by the assistant under the direction and supervision of the Physical Therapist in an ethical, legal, safe, and effective manner. In all work activities, program graduates will recognize, respect, and act with consideration for individual differences, values, preferences, and expressed needs. Additionally, PTA graduates will effectively communicate with other members of the healthcare delivery team,

interact with members of the patient's/client's family and caregivers, and work cooperatively with other healthcare providers. In collaboration with the Physical Therapist, PTA graduates will participate in the education of other healthcare providers, patients/clients and their families or primary caregivers, as well as the community.

Course #	Course Title	Theory Hours	Lab Hours	<b>Clinical Hours</b>	Semester Credit Hours
BIOL1310	Anatomy & Physiology I	45	0	0	3
BIOL1320	Anatomy & Physiology II	45	0	0	3
ENGL1310	English Composition I	45	0	0	3
COMM1310	Elements of Human Communication	45	0	0	3
PSYC1310	General Psychology	45	0	0	3
PSYC1320	Human Growth & Development	45	0	0	3
MATH Elective	MATH1310 Contemporary Mathematics or MATH1320 College Algebra	45	0	0	3
PTAP1201	Functional & Applied Anatomy Lab	0	60	0	2
PTAP1210	Patient Care Skills	30	0	0	2
PTAP1211	Patient Care Skills Lab	0	60	0	2
PTAP1221	Musculoskeletal Rehabilitation Lab	0	60	0	2
PTAP1240	Modalities	30	0	0	2
PTAP1241	Modalities Lab	0	45	0	1.5
PTAP1300	Introduction to Physical Therapy	45	0	0	3
PTAP1320	Musculoskeletal Rehabilitation	45	0	0	3
PTAP1350	Pathology for the Physical Therapist Assistant	45	0	0	3
PTAP1400	Functional & Applied Anatomy	60	0	0	4
PTAP2121	Cardiopulmonary Rehabilitation Lab	0	30	0	1
PTAP2131	Rehabilitation for Specialized Disorders Lab	0	30	0	1
PTAP2201	Neuromuscular Rehabilitation Lab	0	75	0	2.5
PTAP2210	Rehabilitation Through the Lifespan	30	0	0	2
PTAP2220	Cardiopulmonary Rehabilitation	30	0	0	2
PTAP2230	Rehabilitation for Specialized Disorders	30	0	0	2
PTAP2340	Special Topics for the Physical Therapist Assistant	45	0	0	3
PTAP2400	Neuromuscular Rehabilitation	60	0	0	4
PTAP2525	Clinical Experience I	0	0	240	5
PTAP2535	Clinical Experience II	0	0	240	5
PTAP2545	Clinical Experience III	0	0	240	5

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\* These courses may be offered entirely online or entirely on-ground at the campus.

Students who have successfully completed a degree in Kinesiology, Athletic Training, or other Health Sciences area (Associates or higher) containing a minimum of three semester credits of anatomy & physiology may receive a block transfer of six General Education courses totaling 18 semester credits, upon evaluation of transcript. The block transfer includes the courses: BIOL1320, ENGL1310, COMM1310, PSYC1310, PSYC1320, MATH1310 (or MATH1320). The remaining credits required to complete the program is 60.

#### Block Transfer Courses

Course #	Course Title	Theory Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours	Semester Credit Hours
BIOL1320	Anatomy & Physiology II	45	0	0	3
ENGL1310	English Composition I	45	0	0	3
COMM1310	Elements of Human Communication	45	0	0	3
PSYC1310	General Psychology	45	0	0	3
PSYC1320	Human Growth & Development	45	0	0	3
MATH Elective	MATH1310 Contemporary Mathematics or MATH1320 College Algebra	45	0	0	3
	Subtotal	270	0	0	18

### **Respiratory Therapy**

Associate of Science Degree Program Contact Hours: 1,865 Semester Credits: 76 Instructional Weeks – Full Time: 70 Average Time to Complete – Full Time: 17 Months

### Program Overview

Respiratory Therapists assess, treat, and care for patients with breathing disorders. They assume primary responsibility for all respiratory care modalities, including the supervision of respiratory therapy technicians. Respiratory Therapists initiate and conduct therapeutic procedures; maintain patient records; and select, assemble, check, and operate equipment. They also may serve as asthma educators, patient educators, case managers, Hyperbaric Oxygen Specialists, Extra Corporeal Membrane Oxygenation Specialists and Sleep Specialists. Respiratory Therapists work in hospitals, clinics, skilled nursing facilities, home care, and diagnostic labs.

The Respiratory Care Practitioner (RCP) deals with patients of all ages who may be gravely injured or ill. The RCP is among the first on the medical team called to provide treatment in cardiopulmonary emergencies. The RCP also cares for patients in all aspects of their treatment and recovery. The RCP must be sensitive to the needs of those who have serious physical, mental, or psychological impairments. The RCP must also be able to cope with emergencies and work well as a member of the healthcare team.

### **Program Mission**

The purpose of the Respiratory Therapy program is to prepare graduates with demonstrated competence in the cognitive (knowledge), psychomotor (skills), and affective (behavior) learning domains of respiratory care practice as performed by Registered Respiratory Therapists (RRTs). Graduates will earn an Associate of Science degree. Graduates of this program will be eligible to sit for the Therapist Multiple-Choice Examination (TMC) of the National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC). If the candidate meets the RRT score on the TMC, the graduate is eligible to sit for the Clinical Simulation Examination (CSE) of the NBRC. Achieving the minimum acceptable score on the TMC will result in the candidate receiving the Certified Respiratory Therapist (CRT) credential. To receive the RRT credential, the candidate must pass the TMC, at the RRT level, and the CSE exams. California graduates must pass the RRT examinations are not controlled by Concorde, but by outside agencies, and are subject to change by the agency without notice. Therefore, Concorde cannot guarantee that graduates will be eligible to take these exams, at all or at any specific time, regardless of their eligibility status upon enrollment.

### **Skills Proficiency**

Students must be able to perform certain procedures and skills to work as Respiratory Care Practitioners. These are learned in the school's clinical laboratory and at hospital clinical sites under the direct supervision and evaluation of a preceptor. All students must participate. All students must take and pass preclinical written and oral examinations prior to advancing to the clinical portion of the program.

### California State Licensure Requirements

- Must be a graduate from an accredited respiratory care program, with a minimum of an associate degree.
- Must successfully complete a Board-approved Law and Professional Ethics Course prior to licensure.
- Must successfully complete, at a minimum, the RRT examination.

### Program Delivery

The Respiratory Therapy program is delivered in a blended format. Courses will be delivered entirely online, entirely on-ground or with an appropriate blend of both online and on-ground hours in the same course. Of the 1,865 program hours, a maximum of 465 course hours (24.9%) may be offered online (including general education courses). Campuses may have the option to deliver general education courses either online or on-ground depending on local need and availability.

### **Program Objectives**

- To provide a learning environment that correlates well with the actual workplace and a clinical experience that correlates with classroom instruction.
- To instill in the student a sense of professional behavior, attitude, and dress consistent with medical standards.
- To provide the student with entry-level knowledge and skills in the field of respiratory care.
- To supply competent Respiratory Therapists to the national work pool.

#### This applies to all students starting on or after January 22, 2022

#### Term 1

Course #	Course Title	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Theory Hours (Ground/Online)	Lab Hours (Ground/Online)	Clinical Hours (Ground/Online)	Semester Credit Hours
BIOL1310 *	Anatomy & Physiology I			45(0/45)	0	0	3
COMM1310 *	Elements of Human Communicati on			45(0/45)	0	0	3
ENGL1310 *	English Composition I			45(0/45)	0	0	3
MATH1320 <sup>*</sup> College Algebra	0			45	0	0	3
			Subtotal	180 (0/135)	0	0	12

#### Term 2

Course #	Course Title	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Theory Hours (Ground/Online)	Lab Hours (Ground/Online)	Clinical Hours (Ground/Online)	Semester Credit Hours
BIOL1320 *	Anatomy & Physiology II			45(0/45)	0	0	3
BIOL1330 *	Microbiology			45(0/45)	0	0	3
BIOL1350 *	Cardiopulmon ary Anatomy & Physiology			45(0/45)			3
	General Psychology			45(0/45)	0	0	3
			Subtotal	180 (0/180)	0	0	12

#### Term 3

Course #	Course Title	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Theory Hours (Ground/Online)	Lab Hours (Ground/Online)	Clinical Hours (Ground/Online)	Semester Credit Hours
RESP1110	Respiratory Therapy Foundations	All Terms 1 & Courses	2 RESP1210	180 ( 140 / 40 )			10.5
RESP1210	Respiratory Therapy Foundations Applications	All Terms 1 & Courses	2 RESP1110		60(60/0)		2
			Subtotal	180 (140/40)	60 (60/0)		12.5
Term 4							
Course #	Course Title	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Theory Hours (Ground/Online)	Lab Hours (Ground/Online)	Clinical Hours (Ground/Online)	Semester Credit Hours

			Total	775 (330/400)		870 (870/0)	76
			Subtotal	100 (80/20)	40 (35/5)	120 (120/0)	10.5
RESP2210	Respiratory Therapy Capstone and Board Exam Prep Applications	All Term 6 Courses				120 ( 120 / 0 )	2.5
RESP2810	Respiratory Therapy Capstone and Board Exam Prep	All Term 6 Courses		100 ( 80 / 20 )	40(35/5)		8
Course #	Course Title	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Theory Hours (Ground/Online)	Lab Hours (Ground/Online)	Clinical Hours (Ground/Online)	Semester Cre Hours
Term 7							
			Subtotal	75 (55/20)	30 (25/5)	180 (180/0)	10
RESP2410	Respiratory Care of Specialty Populations Applications	All Term 5 Courses				180(180/0)	4
	Care of Specialty Populations	Courses		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	<u> </u>		
RESP2620	Respiratory	All Term 5	CO-Requisites	(Ground/Online) 75 ( 55 / 20 )	(Ground/Online) 30 (25 / 5)	(Ground/Online)	Hours 6
Term 6 Course #	Course Title	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Theory Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours	Semester Cree
T o							
	Applications		Subtotal	30 (30/0)	45 (40/5)	285 (285/0)	9.5
RESP2610	Cardiopulmon ary Critical Care Applications	All Term 4 Courses				285(285/0)	6
112312310	ary Critical Care	Courses		30(30) 0)	45(40) 57		3.5
Course # RESP2310	Course Title Cardiopulmon	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Theory Hours (Ground/Online) 30 ( 30 / 0 )	Lab Hours (Ground/Online) 45 (40 / 5)	Clinical Hours (Ground/Online)	Semester Crec Hours 3.5
Term 5							
			Subtotal	30 (25/5)	45 (40/5)	285 (285/0)	9.5
RESP1610	Respiratory Therapeutics, Diagnostics and Disease Management Applications	All Term 3 Courses				285(285/0)	0
	Therapeutics, Diagnostics and Disease Management	Courses		30 ( 25 / 5 )	45 ( 40 / 5 )	295 ( 295 ( 2)	3.5
RESP1310	Respiratory	All Term 3		30(25/5)	45(40/5)		35

\* These courses may be offered entirely online or entirely on-ground at the campus.

### **Sterile Processing Technician**

Diploma Program Contact Hours: 216 Semester Credits: 8 Instructional Weeks – Full Time: 16 Average Time to Complete – Full Time: 5 Months

### Program Overview

Sterile processing technicians are medical equipment preparers who are responsible for preventing the spread of disease by sterilizing and preparing medical equipment. These technicians may work in a variety of healthcare settings such as hospitals and surgery centers and go by many other job titles, such as central services technician, certified registered central service technician (CRCST), central sterile supply technician (CSST), or sterile preparation technician.

Duties performed by a Sterile Processing or Central Services Technician may include:

- Cleaning and sterilizing equipment
- Packaging and/or preparing equipment for use
- Operating medical equipment as needed
- Inspecting medical equipment for functionality and sterilization
- Maintaining inventory of medical equipment
- Ensuring medical procedure rooms are sterile
- Organizing medical equipment
- Transporting prepared equipment
- Recording test results for sterilization
- Using and maintaining autoclaves for sterilization

Upon successful completion, graduates will receive a certificate of completion and will prepare to take the Healthcare Sterile Processing Association (HSPA) examination to become a Certified Registered Central Service Technician (CRCST).

### Certified Registered Central Service Technician (CRCST) Experiential Requirements

CRCST certification requires that an applicant pass the certification exam and complete 400 hours of hands-on experience in a Central Services (CS) department. These hours can be completed before testing or within 6 months of passing the exam. HSPA recommends completing, or at least beginning, experiential hours before testing. Hands-on experience provides an invaluable resource with which to

This program provides 80 hours towards the 400-hour requirement. Graduates are required to complete the remaining 320 hours on their own. Upon completion of the program, students will sit for the CRCST examination and, if successfully completed, will become provisionally certified. Once the graduate completes the remainder of the required 400 hours, they may submit verification of hours to HSPA to receive full certification.

Course #	Course Title	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Theory Hours	Lab Hours	Externship Hours	Semester Credit Hours
HPRS1313	Healthcare Concepts			64	0	0	3
CRST1123	Sterile Processing I	HPRS1313		36	0	0	1.5
CRST1133	Sterile Processing II	HPRS1313 CRST1123		36	0	0	1.5
CRST1244	Sterile Processing Externship	HPRS1313 CRST1123 CRST1133		0	0	80	2

This program is not eligible for any Federal Financial Aid or VA programs.

Total	136	0	80	8

All courses may be offered online, on ground, or a combination of online and ground as shown above.

### Surgical Technology

Associate of Science Degree Program Contact Hours: 1,655 Semester Credits: 68 Instructional Weeks – Full Time: 70 Average Time to Complete – Full Time: 17 Months

### **Program Mission**

The mission of the Surgical Technology program is to prepare graduates with the basic knowledge and fundamental practical and professional skills needed for employment as entry-level generalists in the field. The program combines academic studies in the classroom, hands-on laboratory instruction, and clinical training in various surgical settings to prepare graduates who are eligible for employment in a variety of surgical settings.

### **Clinical Case Requirements**

Students must complete a total of 140 surgical procedures as delineated below. Students must complete a minimum of 50 cases in General Surgery, 30 of which must be in the first scrub role. The remaining 20 cases may be performed in either the first or second scrub role. Students must complete a minimum of 90 cases in various surgical specialties, excluding General Surgery, 60 which must be performed in the first scrub role. The additional 30 cases may be performed in either the first or second scrub role. A minimum of 90 surgical specialty cases must be performed in the first scrub role and distributed amongst a minimum of four surgical specialties. A minimum of 10 cases in the first scrub role must be completed in each of the required minimum of four surgical specialties (40 cases total required). The additional 20 cases in the first scrub role may be distributed amongst any one surgical specialty or multiple surgical specialties. The remaining 30 cases may be performed in either the first or second scrub role. Diagnostic endoscopy cases and vaginal delivery cases are not mandatory. However, up to 10 diagnostic endoscopic cases and five vaginal delivery cases can be counted toward the maximum number of second scrub role cases. Vaginal delivery cases must be documented in the category of Labor and Delivery rather than in the OB/GYN specialty. These are requirements of the Revised "Surgical Rotation Case Requirements," Core Curriculum for Surgical Technology, 7th Ed.

All student activities associated with the curriculum, especially while students are completing clinical rotations, will be educational in nature. Students will not be substituted for hired staff personnel within the clinical institution, in the capacity of a surgical technologist.

### Program Outcome

To prepare competent, entry-level Surgical Technologists in the cognitive (knowledge), psychomotor (skills), and affective (behavior) learning domains.

### Program Goals

#### **Cognitive Domain**

The student will:

- Grasp concepts of human anatomy and physiology, pathophysiology, microbiology and infectious process and recognize his or her relationship to safe patient care; and,
- Understand the principles of safe patient care in the preoperative, intraoperative, and postoperative settings;
   and
- Recognize the interdependent role of the Surgical Technologist with the other team members and ancillary services providers.

#### **Psychomotor Domain**

The student will:

- Develop and apply fundamental surgical assisting skills through practice and evaluation in the clinical setting; and,
- · Accurately apply the principles of asepsis across the spectrum of common surgical experiences; and
- Employ the Standard Precautions and other recognized safe practice guidelines in every surgical setting.

#### **Affective Domain**

The student will:

- Recognize the variety of patients' needs and the impact of his or her personal, physical, emotional and cultural experiences on the rendering of patient care; and,
- Demonstrate professional responsibility in performance, attitude, and personal conduct; and
- Practice within the confines of the recognized scope of practice within the healthcare community to provide optimal patient care.

### Description of the Profession

The Surgical Technologist is a highly skilled and knowledgeable allied health professional who, as an essential member of the surgical team, works with surgeons, anesthesia providers, operating room nurses, and other professionals in providing safe care to the surgical patient. Surgical Technologists possess expertise in assisting surgeons in the safe and effective conduct of both major and minor surgical procedures in several specialty services and in a variety of surgical settings. Professional duties include aseptic technique, operating room environmental safety, equipment setup, instrumentation, preparing medications, and directly assisting in the three phases of surgical patient care: preoperative, intraoperative, and postoperative. The entry-level Surgical Technologist works in acute-care hospitals, outpatient surgery centers, surgical clinics, central sterile processing departments, birthing centers, and other healthcare settings throughout the United States.

### Program Delivery

The Surgical Technology program is delivered in a blended format. Courses will be delivered entirely online, entirely on-ground or with an appropriate blend of both online and on-ground hours in the same course. Of the 1,655 program hours, a maximum of 630 course hours (38.1%) may be offered online (including general education courses). Campuses may have the option to deliver general education courses either online or on-ground depending on local need and availability specific time, regardless of their eligibility status upon enrollment.

#### This applies to students starting on or after November 27, 2023

#### Term 1

Course #	Course Title	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Theory Hours (Ground/Online)	Lab Hours (Ground/Online)	Clinical Hours (Ground/Online)	Semester Credit Hours
BIOL1111	Anatomy & Physiology I VLab			0	30(0/30)	0	1
BIOL1310	Anatomy & Physiology I			45(0/45)	0	0	3
ENGL1310	English Composition I			45(0/45)	0	0	3
HPRS1320	Foundations for Health Professionals			45(0/45)	0	0	3
MATH Elective	MATH1310 Contemporary Mathematics	/		45(0/45)	0	0	3

			Subtotal	180 (0/180)	30 (0/30)	0	13
Term 2							
Course #	Course Title	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Theory Hours (Ground/Online)	Lab Hours (Ground/Online)	Clinical Hours (Ground/Online)	Semester Credit Hours
BIOL1121	Anatomy & Physiology II VLab			0	30(0/30)	0	1
BIOL1320	Anatomy & Physiology II			45(0/45)	0	0	3
COMM1310	Elements of Human Communicati on			45(0/45)	0	0	3
Behavioral Science Elective*	SOCI1310: Introduction to Sociology or PSYC1310: General Psychology or PSYC1320: Human Growth & Development			45(0/45)	0	0	3
SURG1223	Applied Microbiology for Surgical Technology			30 ( 25 / 5 )	0	0	2
			Subtotal	165 (25/140)	30 (0/30)	0	12
Term 3							
Course #	Course Title	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Theory Hours (Ground/Online)	Lab Hours (Ground/Online)	Clinical Hours (Ground/Online)	Semester Credit Hours
SURG1533	Surgical Technology Theory I	BIOL1111 BIOL1121 BIOL1310 BIOL1320 SURG1223	SURG1233	100 ( 50 / 50 )	0	0	5.5
SURG1233	Surgical Technology I Laboratory	BIOL1111 BIOL1121 BIOL1310 BIOL1320 SURG1223	SURG1533	0	80(60/20)	0	2.5
			Subtotal	100 (50/50)	80 (60/20)	0	8
Term 4							
Course #	Course Title	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Theory Hours (Ground/Online)	Lab Hours (Ground/Online)	Clinical Hours (Ground/Online)	Semester Credit Hours
SURG2243	Surgical Technology Lab II	SURG1533 SURG1233	SURG2543	0	80(70/10)	0	2.5

			Subtotal	50 (30/20)	0	320 (310/10)	9.5
SURG2763	Surgical Technology Clinical I	SURG2553 SURG2253		0	0	320 ( 310 / 10 )	7
SURG2263	Surgical Technology Clinical Review I	SURG2553 SURG2253		50(30/20)	0	0	2.5
Course #	Course Title	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Theory Hours (Ground/Online)	Lab Hours (Ground/Online)	Clinical Hours (Ground/Online)	Semester Crec Hours
Term 6							
			Subtotal	100 (50/50)	80 (70/10)	0	8
SURG2553	Surgical Technology Procedures	SURG2543 SURG2343	SURG2253	100 ( 50 / 50 )	Ο	0	5.5
SURG2253	Surgical Technology Lab III	SURG2543 SURG2343	SURG2553	0	80(70/10)	0	2.5
Course #	Course Title	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Theory Hours (Ground/Online)	Lab Hours (Ground/Online)	Clinical Hours (Ground/Online)	Semester Crec Hours
Term 5							
			Subtotal	100 (50/50)	80 (70/10)	0	8
	Technology Theory II	SURG1233					
SURG2543	Surgical	SURG1533	SURG2243	100(50/50)	0	0	5.5

#### Term 7

Course #	Course Title	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Theory Hours (Ground/Online)	Lab Hours (Ground/Online)	Clinical Hours (Ground/Online)	Semester Credi Hours
SURG2473	Surgical Technology Clinical Review II	SURG2263		80(60/20)	0	0	4
SURG2573 Surgical Technolog Clinical II	Technology	SURG2763		0	0	260 ( 250 / 10 )	5.5
			Subtotal	80 (60/20)	0	260 (250/10)	9.5

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68.00 Semester Credits

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Average Time to Complete – 17 Months

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### **Program Delivery**

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#### This applies to students starting on or after March 22, 2021

Course #	Course Title	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Theory Hours (Ground/Online)	Lab Hours (Ground/Online)	Clinical Hours (Ground/Online)	Semester Credit Hours
BIOL1111	Anatomy & Physiology I VLab			0	30(0/30)	0	1
BIOL1121	Anatomy & Physiology II VLab			0	30(0/30)	0	1
BIOL1310	Anatomy & Physiology I			45(0/45)	0	0	3
BIOL1320	Anatomy & Physiology II			45(0/45)	0	0	3
COMM1310	Elements of Human Communicati on			45(0/45)	0	0	3
ENGL1310	English Composition I			45(0/45)	0	0	3
HPRS1320	Foundations for Health Professionals			45(0/45)	0	0	3
MATH Elective	MATH1310 Contemporary Mathematics or MATH1320 College Algebra	,		45(0/45)	0	0	3
PSYC1320	Human Growth & Development			45(0/45)	0	0	3

		Subtotal	785 (290/495)	300 (220/80)	570 (570/0)	68
SURG2760	Surgical Technology Clinical I		0	0	320 ( 320 / 0 )	7
SURG2650	Surgical Technology Procedures		120 ( 80 / 40	))		6.5
SURG2640	Surgical Technology Theory II		120 ( 60 / 60	)		6.5
SURG2570	Surgical Technology Clinical II				250 ( 250 / 0 )	5.5
SURG2470	Surgical Technology Clinical Review II		80 ( 60 / 20	))		4
SURG2250	Surgical Technology Lab III			80(80/0)	)	2.5
SURG2240	Surgical Technology Lab II		80(80/0)			2.5
SURG2160	Surgical Technology Clinical Review I		30 ( 30 / 0	)		1.5
SURG1630	Surgical Technology Theory I		120 ( 60 / 60	)		6.5
SURG1230	Surgical Technology I Laboratory		80(60/20)			2.5

\* These courses may be offered entirely online or entirely on-ground at the campus.

### **Vocational Nursing**

Diploma Program Contact Hours: 1,722 Semester Credits: 66.5 Instructional Weeks – Full Time: 50 Instructional Weeks – Part Time: 80 Average Time to Complete – Full Time: 13 Months Average Time to Complete – Part Time: 20 Months

### Program Overview

As a vital member of the healthcare team, the Vocational Nursing combines nursing skills with human understanding to care for both chronically and acutely ill patients in a variety of settings. The program combines classroom study with clinical experience in a variety of settings. Upon completion of this program, the graduate will be able to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination–Practical Nurse (NCLEX-PN). Registration and certification requirements for taking and passing these examinations are not controlled by Concorde, but by outside agencies, and are subject to change by the agency without notice. Therefore, Concorde cannot guarantee that graduates will be eligible to take these exams, at all or at any specific time, regardless of their eligibility status upon enrollment.

### **Program Mission**

Concorde Career College Practical Nursing Program ensures the healthcare community of competent graduates who are capable and productive entry-level practitioners. These individuals espouse professionalism and adhere to established standards of care and ethical practice.

### **Program Philosophy**

The Vocational Nursing program is founded on beliefs that are consistent with the parent organization and the community at large. The faculty of the Vocational Nursing program hold the following beliefs about the individual, nursing, health, and nursing education.

### End of Program Student Learning Outcomes:

Concorde Practical Nursing graduates will:

- 1. Provide safe, caring and compassionate nursing care to diverse patients across the lifespan in various healthcare settings using evidenced based practice to improve outcomes.
- 2. Function as a competent, entry-level healthcare provider applying leadership and management skills and embracing ethical and legal principles in the provision of culturally appropriate nursing care.
- 3. Collaborate with members of the inter-professional healthcare team to provide optimal care for diverse patients and their families.
- 4. Communicate effectively through verbal, nonverbal and technological methods with patients, families and members of the inter-professional healthcare team.

### California State Requirements

- 1. Must successfully complete the NCLEX-PN.
- 2. Must be a graduate of a California accredited school of Vocational Nursing or one of the following:
  - Be a graduate of an out-of-state school of Practical/Vocational Nursing;
  - Have the equivalent education and/or experience; or
  - Have nursing service in the Medical Corps of any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States

### Clinical Sites

A current list of Board approved clinical facilities may be found posted outside the Director of Nursing's office.

#### The following is effective for all students starting on or after June 7, 2021

#### Term 1

Course #	Course Title	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Theory Hours	Lab/Clinical Hours	Semester Credit Hours
CPSO1101	Career Path Success 1			30	0	1
PNVN1111	Personal & Vocational Concepts			25		1
PNVN1319	Clinical Practice I		PNVN1811		100	3.5
PNVN1811	Basic Foundations in Nursing & Nursing Practice		PNVN1319	170	0	8
			Subtotal	225	100	13.5
Term 2						
Course #	Course Title	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Theory Hours	Lab/Clinical Hours	Semester Credit Hours
CPSO1102	Career Path Success 2			30	0	1
PNVN1521	Introduction to Medical- Surgical Nursing	PNVN1111 PNVN1319 PNVN1811	PNVN1729	124		5.5
PNVN1729	Clinical Practice II	PNVN1111 PNVN1319 PNVN1811	PNVN1521		220	7.5
			Subtotal	154	220	14
Term 3						
Course #	Course Title	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Theory Hours	Lab/Clinical Hours	Semester Credit Hours
CPSO1103	Career Path Success 3			30	0	1
PNVN1631	Medical- Surgical Nursing I	PNVN1521 PNVN1729	PNVN1739	141		6.5
PNVN1739	Clinical Practice III	PNVN1521 PNVN1729	PNVN1631		200	7
			Subtotal	171	200	14.5
Term 4						
Course #	Course Title	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Theory Hours	Lab/Clinical Hours	Semester Credit Hours
PNVN1541	Medical- Surgical Nursing II	PNVN1631 PNVN1739	PNVN1749	111		5
PNVN1749	Clinical Practice IV	PNVN1631 PNVN1739	PNVN1541		215	7.5

### Term 5

Course #	Course Title	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Theory Hours	Lab/Clinical Hours	Semester Credit Hours	
PNVN1150	Transitions to Practice	All Courses In Terms 1-4	PNVN1350 PNVN1759	40	0	1.5	
PNVN1350	Family Health Nursing	All Courses In Terms 1-4	PNVN1150 PNVN1759	66		3	
PNVN1759	Clinical Practice V	All Courses In Terms 1-4	PNVN1150 PNVN1350		220	7.5	
			Subtotal	106	220	12	
			Total	767	955	100	66.5

# **Financial Information**

### Cancellation & Refund Student's Right to Cancel

You have the right to cancel this agreement, without obligation, and obtain a full refund of all amounts paid, through attendance at the first class session, or seventh day after enrollment, whichever is later.

Applicants or students may cancel or terminate their enrollment at any time, before or during their training. Applicants or students should notify an Academic Dean or Campus President of their intent to cancel or withdraw either in person, via telephone, email, or in writing. If you cancel this Agreement within the prescribed time period, the Institution will refund any money that you paid within 10 days after your notice of cancellation.

Students who have not visited the Institution facility prior to enrollment will have the opportunity to cancel without penalty if notice of cancellation is given before midnight of the fifth business day following the first class you attend.

### Student's Right to Withdraw

### Effective: 06/19/2020

The Institution's policy for determining the Student's withdrawal date is the earlier of (A) the date the Student notifies the Institution of his or her withdrawal or the date specified by the Student or (B) the last recorded date of class attendance by the Student, as documented by the Institution, if the Student stops attending classes without notifying the Institution or (C) the date the Student violates published Institution policy that provides for the Student being withdrawn.

The Student's start date through the last date of attendance will determine the percentage of program completion, and the applicable percentage will be applied to the formula used in the refund calculation as stated below.

For students withdrawing from degree-granting programs or the Vocational Nursing program, the percentage of program completion is calculated by dividing the number of days the Student was scheduled to attend in the period of enrollment or payment period as of the last recorded day of attendance into the number of days comprising the period of enrollment or payment period for which the Student has been charged.

For students withdrawing from diploma programs, the percentage of program completion is calculated by dividing the number of days the Student was scheduled to attend in the period of enrollment or payment period as of the last recorded day of attendance into the number of days comprising the period of enrollment or payment period for which the Student has been charged.

### Financing Requirements

All students must have a financing package on file no later than the seventh calendar day of their first term. This may include but is not limited to application and confirmation of eligibility for Title IV funding, if desired; executed individual payment plan; completion of all documentation needed to secure non-Title IV funding (e.g., WIA, VA, state grant).

Concorde reserves the right to withdraw at any time any student who fails to complete their individual financing requirements or make timely payments.

### Refund Policy

Refunds are made for a student who withdraws or is withdrawn from the Institution prior to the completion of his/her program and are based on the tuition billed for the payment period or period of enrollment in which the Student withdraws, according to the Refund Calculation set forth below. Refunds will be based on the total charge incurred by the Student at the time of withdrawal, not the amount the Student has actually paid. The date from which refunds will be determined is the last date of recorded attendance. Refunds will be made within 45 calendar days of the notification of an official withdrawal or date of determination of withdrawal by the Institution. Students who withdraw, or are withdrawn prior to the end of the payment period or period of enrollment are subject to the Return of Title IV Funds Policy noted below which may increase their balance due to the Institution. If there is a balance due to the Institution after all Title IV funds have been returned, this balance will be due immediately, unless a cash payment agreement for this balance has been approved by the Institution. Concorde does not refund charges for booklist items issued to the Student unless the items are returned in new and unused condition within 14 calendar days following the date of receipt or Student withdrawal. Credit balances due to the Student of less than \$5 (after all Title IV refunds have been made) will not be refunded unless requested by the Student.

### Refund Calculation

The schedule of refunds for students who withdraw after starting school, or are dismissed by the Institution, will be computed as follows:

- If a first-time student withdraws within the first twenty-one (21) calendar days of his or her program of study, no tuition charges will be incurred.
  - A first-time student is defined as one who has not previously attended the Institution.

- If a student withdraws after the first twenty-one (21) calendar days, but prior to the 60 percent point of the period of enrollment or payment period for which he or she has been charged, the Student shall be entitled to a pro rata refund of the tuition charged for the period of enrollment or payment period.
- If a student withdraws after the 60 percent point of the period of enrollment or payment period for which he or she has been charged, the Student shall be obligated for the tuition charged for the entire period of enrollment or payment period and not entitled to any refund.

### <u>Student Notifications Regarding</u> <u>Withdrawal and Refunds</u>

Effective: 07/20/2020

A \$100.00 administrative fee will be assessed to any withdrawn student eight days after their last date of attendance.

In case of prolonged illness or accident, death in the family, or other circumstances that make it impractical to complete the program, the Institution shall make a settlement that is reasonable and fair to both parties.

Students may repeat a class. If the Student should withdraw from the program for any reason, based on the refund policy, the hours or weeks in attendance for repeating a class, depending on the program, will be used in the program completion percentage calculation in determining the Student's financial obligation to the Institution.

If any portion of your tuition was paid from the proceeds of a loan, the refund will be sent to the lender or to the agency that guaranteed the loan. Any amount in excess of the unpaid balance of the loan will be first used to repay any federal/state/private student financial aid program from which you received benefits, in proportion to the amount of the benefits received. Any remaining amount greater than \$5.00 will be paid to you. If there is a balance due, you will be responsible for paying that amount.

### Financial Aid Office

The Financial Aid Office is open to students during the hours posted on campus. Students are encouraged to call or visit the office if they have any questions or need assistance regarding their financial aid.

The resources of the Financial Aid Office are available to all students. Financial Aid staff members assist students in determining individual eligibility for the various aid programs and in completing the necessary applications and paperwork. To receive federal financial assistance, students must maintain satisfactory academic progress toward completion of their program as outlined in the school catalog. The Financial Aid Office is responsible for monitoring each student's academic progress to ensure continued eligibility.

### Student Responsibilities

- Students must promptly return all required applications and paperwork to the Financial Aid Office.
- If the Financial Aid Office needs to see a student, the office will contact the student personally. It is the student's responsibility to see Financial Aid when notified.
- Each student who receives a student loan is required to complete entrance and exit counseling. The Financial Aid Office will notify each student when these sessions are scheduled. If a student misses a session, it is the student's responsibility to contact the Financial Aid Office to reschedule a date.
- If a student obtains a loan to pay for an educational program, the student will be responsible for repaying the full amount of the loan plus interest, less the amount of any refund, and that, if the student has received federal student financial aid funds, the student is entitled to a refund of the moneys not paid from federal student financial aid program funds.

### Financial Aid

Concorde Career College participates in the United States Department of Education's Federal Student Assistance programs. These programs are available for those who qualify.

### Enrollment Definition

For students enrolled in non standard term programs (excluding Vocational Nursing – part time) the enrollment status is as follows:

8 credits =Full time 6-7.99 credits = 3/4 time 4-5.99 credits = 1/2 time <4 credits = Less than half time

Vocational Nursing – Part Time full time enrollment status is as follows:

12 credits = Full time 9-11.99 credits = 3/4 time 6-8.99 credits = 1/2 time <5.99 credits = Less than half time

### Federal Pell Grant

The Federal Pell Grant is a grant to students who qualify under the federal financial need guidelines. Application is made through the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

### Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)

The FSEOG is a grant that the school awards to students based on financial need and the availability of funds. Application is made through the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

# Federal Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans

Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans are low-interest loans made by the U.S. Department of Education. See Financial Aid for details.

### <u>Federal Parent Loans for Undergraduate</u> <u>Students (PLUS)</u>

The Federal PLUS Loan is a low-interest-rate loan available for parents of dependent, undergraduate students enrolled at least half time. Applications are available online at <u>https://studentaid.gov/</u>.

### <u>Default</u>

If you received a loan guaranteed by the federal or state government and you default on the loan, both of the following may occur:

- 1. The federal or state government or a loan guarantee agency may take action against you, including applying any income tax refund to which the person is entitled to reduce the balance owed on the loan.
- 2. You may not be eligible for any other federal student financial aid at another institution or other government assistance until the loan is repaid.

### Cal Grant A, B and C Programs

The Cal Grant A, B, and C are grants the State of California awards to students based on financial need. For more information regarding the programs and application filing deadline, contact the Financial Aid Office or the California Student Aid Commission at <u>www.csac.ca.gov</u> or 888-224-7268.

### Alternative Financing

For those students who qualify, alternative financing is available through several lenders. Cosigners may be necessary, depending on credit history.

### Other Aid

Effective: 10/29/2021

Your education is a major financial investment. Flexible payment options are available to help make your costs more manageable. Concorde Career College offers many different payment plans depending on your financial situation. Retail Installment Contracts are available to be paid in school prior to your graduation date at a 0% interest. If you are unable to pay by your graduation, we offer extended retail installment contracts. See your Campus Financial Representative for more information.

### Veterans Administration Students Prior Credit Evaluation

All official college transcripts need to be submitted for evaluation for prior credit by the 24<sup>th</sup> week of school or by the end of the second term.

### Veterans Benefits and Transition Act of 2018

In accordance with Title 38 US Code 3679 subsection (e), this school adopts the following additional provisions for any students using U.S. Department of

Veterans Affairs (VA) Post 9/11 G.I. Bill<sup>®</sup> (Ch. 33) or Veteran Readiness and Employment (Ch. 31) benefits, while payment to the institution is pending from the VA. This school <u>will not</u>:

- Prevent the student's enrollment;
- Assess a late penalty fee to the student;
- Require the student to secure alternative or additional funding;
- Deny the student access to any resources (access to classes, libraries, or other institutional facilities) available to other students who have satisfied their tuition and fee bills to the institution.

However, to qualify for this provision, such students may be required to:

- Produce the VA Certificate of Eligibility (COE) by the first day of class;
- Provide a written request to be certified;
- Provide additional information needed to properly certify the enrollment as described in other institutional policies

GI Bill® is a registered trademark of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). More information about education benefits offered by VA is available at the official U.S. government Web site at <u>https://benefits.va.gov/gibill/index.asp</u>.

### Partnership Agreements

Concorde participates in business and agency agreements with outside organizations. Enrollment pursuant to these agreements is contingent on the student meeting and maintaining eligibility as defined in individual agreements.

Any student who originally enrolled with a partnership agreement will need to reverify eligibility to return if he or she is withdrawn from the program.

### Concorde Institutional Grants Program

#### Effective: 08/22/2024

Concorde makes available institutionally-sponsored grant programs to students who qualify. Specific conditions, criteria and awards may vary. Any grant awarded will be applied only to the costs of tuition, fees and books. Grants awarded have no cash value and will not result in a cash or credit balance. A grant cannot be combined with any other Concorde grant, employee education benefit, B2B/partnership discount or any Concorde scholarships except for the Kozet Boyd and Working Student Scholarships.

Grant programs are subject to available funding and may be discontinued at any time.

#### Healthcare Demand Grant

Applicable only to the following programs:

- Dental Assistant
- Medical Assistant
- Physical Therapist Assistant
- Respiratory Therapy
- Surgical Technology
- Vocational Nursing

The Healthcare Demand Grant is designed to assist new, enrolling students who are pursuing education in a healthcare program. There is no application process and all newly enrolled students are reviewed for eligibility.

#### Grant Amount:

Grant amounts vary by program. See the term sheet for each program for more information.

#### Grant Deadline: February 10, 2025

#### **Eligibility Criteria**:

- Newly enrolled student in a healthcare program who enroll and start prior to February 17, 2025
- Achieve the required score on the Wonderlic
   entrance assessment

#### Concorde Alumni Grant

Grant available to Concorde Alumni Enrolling in a Subsequent Degree/Diploma Program

Concorde seeks to encourage all graduates to continue their professional education as their career progress. In order to facilitate this Concorde offers a grant<sup>\*</sup> in the form of a tuition reduction to Concorde graduates who enroll in a new program, with certain restrictions.

**Grant Amount:** Grant amounts vary by program. See the term sheet for each program for more information.

### Application Deadline: Year-Round

### **Eligibility Criteria**:

- Be a graduate of a program of study at any Concorde location
- Meet all admissions criteria for the new program of study as defined in the college catalog
- Must be current on any financial obligations to Concorde
- Is not in default or delinquent on any federal student loan

### For Additional Details, Consult with the Campus Financial Aid Specialist.

\*This is a tuition reduction applied to a student's current program of study tuition balance and not to any non -tuition expenses such as past balances, textbooks, uniforms, application fees, health screens, etc.

\*\*The tuition reduction rate is applied to the net calculated tuition after all transfer credits have been factored. See campus catalog for more information.

\*\*\*The following programs of study are not eligible for this tuition reduction: Cardiovascular Sonography (Aurora), Neurodiagnostic Technology (Grand Prairie), and Dental Hygiene (all campuses)

### <u>Scholarships</u>

### Kozet Boyd Memorial Scholarship

The Scholarship Foundation for Concorde Career College established the Kozet Boyd Memorial Scholarship to assist students who display the same values and determination that Kozet epitomized as an educator with Concorde's North Hollywood campus. These scholarships are awarded to students who have demonstrated academic discipline and strong personal values that align with Concorde's Mission Statement and Core Values.

Kozet Boyd Scholarships will be based on personal circumstances and references, and the actual amount will be based on a recommendation from the Campus President.

# Nursing Demand Scholarship **ELIGIBILITY**:

- Must be accepted as a vocational nursing student into the full-time option scheduled to begin classes anytime from now through September 30, 2023 at the Garden Grove or North Hollywood, California campuses.
  - This scholarship is currently not available for the part time program.

- Earned an 82 or better combined score on the HESI entrance assessment (this can be on any attempt tied to the current enrollment).
- Complete the campus "Greenlight" program prior to taking the NCLEX licensure exam.
- Complete the Nursing Demand Scholarship Application Form.
- The scholarship is available for first-time enrollments only.

### SCHOLARSHIP AWARD & DISTRIBUTION:

- Qualified full-time vocational nursing students who've met the eligibility requirements will receive a scholarship in the amount of 15 percent of the published tuition charge at the time of enrollment.
- The scholarship amount is applied as a scholarship so long as the student successfully completes and graduates the program.
- This scholarship is non-transferrable or redeemable and is applied toward the cost of tuition so long as the student completes and graduates from the program.
- Withdrawal from the program whether voluntary or involuntary disqualifies scholarship eligibility.
- Scholarship award will be incorporated into student aid package
  - Scholarship funds are only used to cover direct costs and may not create a credit balance on the student's account.

### Working Student Scholarship

The Working Student Scholarship (WSS) is a scholarship program to assist students, who worked prior to continuing their education, with meeting the financial obligations while career training at a Concorde school. If a student qualifies, the scholarship will be applied to the student's tuition expenses.

#### PROCESS:

- 1. The WSS will be published in the school catalog, and discussed with potential applicants during the Financial Aid process.
- 2. Any student who meets the Eligibility Considerations may apply by completing the application that is available in the Financial Aid Office, Front Desk, or Online.
- 3. The WSS Committee (Comprised of the CP and the FAD at each campus) will review the applications and select candidates to move forward in the approval process based on established Eligibility Considerations.
  - a. completed applications will be reviewed by the WSS Committee, no less than one week prior to class start.
- 4. This scholarship is awarded in the following increments:
  - a. \$1,000 for diploma programs and
  - b. \$2,000 for degree programs.

- c. A maximum of 500 students per fiscal year may receive this scholarship.
- d. The amounts awarded could be less than the above to avoid a credit balance.
- 5. The WSS Committee will ensure award notifications are communicated to students and the Financial Aid & Admissions departments prior to orientation.

### DISBURSEMENT:

- 1. Scholarship awards will be incorporated into student aid packages.
  - a. Scholarship funds are only used to cover direct costs and may not create a credit balance on the student's account.
- 2. For Clinical programs, funding will be awarded in two equal disbursements at the beginning of the first term and fourth term (after verification of other requirements).
- 3. For all other programs, funding will be awarded in two equal disbursements:
  - a. Beginning of first term
  - b. Midpoint (after verification of other requirements)
- 4. Prior to second disbursement of scholarship funds, Business Office Managers will confirm the student's continued eligibility.

### ELIGIBILITY CONSIDERATIONS:

The WSS Committee will evaluate applications on the following criteria. Eligible candidates will:

- 1. Have a minimum of one year of employment (prior to application) with recommendation letter from Employer.
  - a. Exceptions to the one year of employment may be made for single working parents at the sole discretion of the Campus President. Single parents who do not meet the minimum application requirement for proof of one year of employment may request an interview with the Campus President. If an interview is granted, the Campus President may determine from the interview to allow the single parent with less than one year of employment to apply for this scholarship. The interview is not a guarantee of award but is only to determine if the applicant "may" apply, at which time the WSS Committee will review with other applications.
- 2. Have a minimum of one letter of recommendation from an employer
- 3. Express strong motivation, integrity, and desire to pursue their chosen healthcare career through a 80 word minimum "Statement of Commitment".
- 4. Meet all institutional and program-specific admissions criteria
- 5. Be enrolled to start at the first available class start date following the scholarship award notification

6. Completed scholarship application form

### CONTINUED ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- 1. This is a first come, first serve scholarship so once the Campus limit is attained for the applicable year, this scholarship is not available.
- 2. Students must graduate to remain eligible for the final disbursement
  - a. If a scholarship recipient does not graduate, or withdraws from school, s/he loses continued eligibility and any award amounts not yet disbursed will be cancelled.
- 3. Continued eligibility is based on the school's stated attendance requirements and the student maintains a 3.0 GPA for the duration of the scholarship award. If attendance requirements and GPA requirements are not met, the remaining balance created due to the loss of scholarship.
  - a. Students who do not meet the Continued Eligibility Requirements outlined above may not re-apply for the scholarship.
- 4. If approved by WSS Committee and all eligibility requirements remain intact, students who have withdrawn in good standing and subsequently reenter within 180 days, will have their Working Student scholarship funding reinstated, less any prior disbursements.

### **Education Costs**

Concorde will assist students in developing financial plans to pay for their education through a combination of student or family contributions, financial aid (if eligible), and finance plans. All students must sign a Retail Installment Contract for direct educational costs not covered by Title IV or agency funding. All payments are the full responsibility of the student and are payable as stated in the student's Enrollment Agreement and retail installment contract if applicable.

Students may be required to make monthly payments while attending school. Payment amounts are based upon the program in which the student is enrolled and the amount of financial aid the student may be receiving.

Any change in financial situation that may affect a student's financial aid or ability to make scheduled payments must be discussed with the Financial Aid Office and the Business Office.

Failure to keep all payments current may result in withdrawal from the school.

### Student Tuition Recovery Fund

The State of California established the Student Tuition Recovery Fund (STRF) to relieve or mitigate economic loss suffered by a student in an educational program at a qualifying institution, who is or was a California resident while enrolled, or was enrolled in a residency program, if the student enrolled in the institution, prepaid tuition, and suffered an economic loss. Unless relieved of the obligation to do so, you must pay the state-imposed assessment for the STRF, or it must be paid on your behalf, if you are a student in an educational program, who is a California resident, or are enrolled in a residency program, and prepay all or part of your tuition.

You are not eligible for protection from the STRF and you are not required to pay the STRF assessment, if you are not a California resident, or are not enrolled in a residency program.

It is important that you keep copies of your enrollment agreement, financial aid documents, receipts, or any other information that documents the amount paid to the school. Questions regarding the STRF may be directed to the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education, 1747 N. Market Blvd., Suite 225, Sacramento, CA 95834, (916) 431-6959 or (888) 370-7589.

To be eligible for STRF, you must be a California resident or are enrolled in a residency program, prepaid tuition, paid or deemed to have paid the STRF assessment, and suffered an economic loss as a result of any of the following:

- 1. The institution, a location of the institution, or an educational program offered by the institution was closed or discontinued, and you did not choose to participate in a teach-out plan approved by the Bureau or did not complete a chosen teach-out plan approved by the Bureau.
- 2. You were enrolled at an institution or a location of the institution within the 120 day period before the closure of the institution or location of the institution, or were enrolled in an educational program within the 120 day period before the program was discontinued.
- 3. You were enrolled at an institution or a location of the institution more than 120 days before the closure of the institution or location of the institution, in an educational program offered by the institution as to which the Bureau determined there was a significant decline in the quality or value of the program more than 120 days before closure.
- 4. The institution has been ordered to pay a refund by the Bureau but has failed to do so.
- 5. The institution has failed to pay or reimburse loan proceeds under a federal student loan program as required by law, or has failed to pay or reimburse proceeds received by the institution in excess of tuition and other costs.
- 6. You have been awarded restitution, a refund, or other monetary award by an arbitrator or court, based on a violation of this chapter by an

institution or representative of an institution, but have been unable to collect the award from the institution.

7. You sought legal counsel that resulted in the cancellation of one or more of your student loans and have an invoice for services rendered and evidence of the cancellation of the student loan or loans.

To qualify for STRF reimbursement, the application must be received within four (4) years from the date of the action or event that made the student eligible for recovery from STRF.

A student whose loan is revived by a loan holder or debt collector after a period of noncollection may, at any time, file a written application for recovery from STRF for the debt that would have otherwise been eligible for recovery. If it has been more than four (4) years since the action or event that made the student eligible, the student must have filed a written application for recovery within the original four (4) year period, unless the period has been extended by another act of law.

However, no claim can be paid to any student without a social security number or a taxpayer identification number.

### Return of Title IV Funds Policy

The Institution follows the federal Return of Title IV Funds Policy to determine the amount of Title IV funds the Student has received and the amount, if any, which needs to be returned at the time of withdrawal. Under current federal regulations, the amount of funds earned is calculated on a pro rata basis through 60% of the payment period or period of enrollment. After the 60% point in the payment period or period of enrollment, a Student has earned 100% of the Title IV funds. The Institution may adjust the Student's account based on any repayments of Title IV funds that the Institution was required to make.

Students who withdraw from school or are withdrawn by the school prior to completing more than 60% of their period of enrollment or payment period for degree programs (a period of time for which students receive Title IV aid) will have their Title IV eligibility recalculated based on the percentage of the period of enrollment or payment period for degree programs attended. For example, a student who withdraws completing only 30% of the period of enrollment or payment period for degree programs will have "earned" only 30% of Title IV aid. The school and/or the student must return the remaining 70%.

This policy applies to any student who withdraws or is withdrawn by Concorde Career College and receives financial aid from Title IV funds. The term "Title IV funds" refers to Federal Pell Grants, Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (FSEOG), Subsidized Federal Stafford Loans, Unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loans, Federal Parent Loans for Undergraduate Students (PLUS), and Federal Perkins Loans.

For purposes of the Return of Title IV Funds Policy, a student's withdrawal date is the student's last day of attendance.

Title IV aid is earned in a prorated manner on a per diem basis up to and including the 60% point in the period of enrollment or payment period for degree programs. Title IV aid is considered 100% earned after that point in time. The percentage of Title IV aid earned is calculated in the following manner for all programs:

Number of days completed by the student\*

Number of days in the period of enrollment or payment period for degree programs\* Percentage of period of enrollment or payment period for degree programs completed

\*The total number of calendar days in a period of enrollment or payment period for degree programs and the number of days completed by the student will exclude any scheduled breaks of five days or more.

The percentage of period of enrollment or payment period for degree programs completed will be the percentage of Title IV aid earned by the student. The percentage of Title IV aid unearned (i.e., amount to be returned to the appropriate Title IV program) will be 100% less the percentage earned. Concorde Career College will return unearned aid from the student's account as follows:

- 1. Unsubsidized Direct Stafford Loans (other than PLUS loans).
- 2. Subsidized Direct Stafford Loans.
- 3. Federal Perkins Loans (if applicable).
- 4. Direct PLUS Loans.
- 5. Federal Pell Grants for which a return of funds is required.
- 6. Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (FSEOG) for which a return of funds is required.

Concorde will return the unearned aid within forty-five (45) days from the date the school determined the student withdrew.

When the total amount of unearned aid is greater than the amount returned by Concorde Career College from the student's account, the student is responsible for returning unearned aid to the appropriate Title IV program as follows:

- 1. Unsubsidized Direct Stafford Loans (other than PLUS loans).\*
- 2. Subsidized Direct Stafford Loans.\*
- 3. Federal Perkins Loans (if applicable).\*
- 4. Direct PLUS Loans.\*
- 5. Federal Pell Grants for which a return of funds is required.\*\*
- 6. Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (FSEOG) for which a return of funds is required.\*\*

\* Loan amounts are returned in accordance with the terms of the promissory note.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Unearned federal grant amounts to be returned by the student will be reduced by 50%.

Within forty-five (45) days of the date the school determined the student withdrew, the student will be notified in writing if he or she is required to return any federal grant aid (Federal Pell or FSEOG). The student is considered to be in an overpayment status. A student who owes a federal grant overpayment remains eligible for Title IV funds for a period of forty-five (45) days from the earlier of the date the school sends a notification to the student of the overpayment or the date the school was required to notify the student of the overpayment.

If during the forty-five (45)-day period the student repays the overpayment to the school or signs a repayment agreement with the U.S. Department of Education, the student will remain eligible for further Title IV funds. If during the forty-five (45)-day period the student fails to repay the overpayment or sign a repayment agreement with the U.S. Department of Education, the student is considered to be in an overpayment status and, thus, ineligible for any additional Title IV aid until that amount is repaid.

### Cal Grant Refund Policy Effective: 05/19/2023

Cal Grant policies state that if a student is charged tuition that meets or exceeds the Cal Grant award, the Cal Grant award does not need to be adjusted based on a withdrawal or leave of absence. However, Cal Grant recipients may want to rescind their Cal Grant and notify the California Student Aid Commission of their leave or withdrawal in order to preserve their eligibility for a future term. Students can process a leave of absence request with the California Student Aid Commission online at www.csac.ca.gov and click the link "WebGrants4Students." In this case, the student would be responsible for covering the tuition balance on his/ her student account. If a student is dismissed or withdraws from school, all unearned Title IV funds will be refunded to the U.S. Department of Education, and any unearned funds will be returned to Cal Grant or State Funds and lastly, to Private Loans accordingly.

### Refund Procedures for Non-Title IV Financial Assistance

Refunds for state aid programs and applicable thirdparty funding agencies (e.g., Veterans Administration, WIOA, etc.) will be calculated as stated in the Cancellation & Refund provisions published in this catalog and in the student's Enrollment Agreement. Any state or third-party funding agency refund due will be calculated based on the agency contract or guidelines.

# Student Information & Affairs

### Annual Security Report

The school publishes the policies and procedures for reporting crimes, as well as the types of crimes that have been committed on or near the campus, in the Annual Security Report. This publication is distributed annually to all students and is available at any time from a school administrator or on the school's website.

### **Canceled Class Policy**

When a scheduled class is canceled for unforeseen reasons (e.g., inclement weather, power outage, etc.), the class will be made up before the end of the term in which the cancellation occurred. If students are unable to attend the rescheduled class, they will be marked absent, and the Student Attendance Policy will apply.

In the event of unfavorable weather conditions, classes may be canceled at the discretion of the Campus President. Students will be notified through local television and radio stations and on social media.

### Graduate Employment

Placement services are available at any Concorde Career Institute/College, owned by Concorde Career Colleges, Inc. The Graduate Employment staff will assist students in their career search throughout and upon successful completion of studies by offering information on career opportunities, temporary assignments, résumé preparation, and guidance in interviewing techniques. Professional development seminars are conducted throughout each program to assist students in developing their interpersonal skills. The following services are included: career overview at orientation, pre- and post-interview techniques, personalized skills matching, one-on-one résumé review, career progression tips and completion certificates for professional portfolios.

Concorde does not guarantee employment for its graduates. Graduates are considered to be partners with Concorde in their career search. Graduates are expected to maintain consistent communication with their graduate employment team during their job search. This procedure keeps the school informed of a graduate's employment status and allows the school to keep the graduate current with career opportunities.

### Drug & Alcohol Abuse Policy

Concorde Career College ("Concorde") supports and endorses the Federal Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 and the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act amendments of 1989. The unlawful manufacturing, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of alcohol, marijuana, or any controlled substance by an employee or student on Concorde's property or as part of any Concorde activity is prohibited. Any student or employee of Concorde found to be using, possessing, manufacturing, or distributing alcohol, marijuana, or any controlled substances in violation of the law on Concorde property or at Concorde events shall be subject to disciplinary action. For employees, the school will take appropriate personnel action for such infractions, up to and including dismissal. Students who violate this policy will be dismissed and are not eligible for readmission.

For purposes of this policy, "conviction" means a finding of guilt (including a plea of nolo contendere) or imposition of sentence or both by any judicial body charged with the responsibility of the federal or state criminal drug statutes.

### Health Risks

Abuse of alcohol and use of drugs is harmful to one's physical, mental, and social well-being. With excessive drug use, life becomes centered on drugs to the exclusion of health, work, school, family, and general well-being. Accidents and injuries are more likely to occur if alcohol and drugs are used. Alcohol and drug users can lose resistance to disease and destroy one's health. Increasing tolerance developed by the user complicates the effects of drug use. This tolerance may be psychological, physiological, or both and may lead to greater danger of overdose.

Alcoholism takes a toll on personal finances, health, social relationships, and families. Abuse of alcohol or use of drugs may cause an individual driving a motor vehicle to injure himself or herself or others and may subject the person to criminal prosecution.

The following summarizes the effects and dangers of the major categories of drugs:

Amphetamines: Physical dependency, heart problems, infections, malnutrition, and death may result from continued high doses of amphetamines.

Narcotics: Chronic use of narcotics can cause lung damage, convulsions, respiratory paralysis, and death.

Depressants: These drugs, such as tranquilizers and alcohol, can produce slowed reactions, slowed heart rate, damage to liver and heart, respiratory arrest, convulsions, and accidental overdoses.

Hallucinogens: These drugs may cause psychosis, convulsions, coma, and psychological dependency.

### <u>Counseling, Treatment, or Rehabilitation</u> <u>Programs</u>

The administration of Concorde maintains a list of hospital and community agencies available to assist employees and students seeking alcohol and drug counseling and treatment.

Employees and students who have a substancedependency problem are strongly encouraged to obtain counseling and treatment. Anyone seeking additional information about health problems and treatment related to alcohol and drug problems can contact the Campus President or Human Resources. Requests for assistance will be held in complete confidentiality and will be provided on a need-to-know basis only.

### **Penalties**

A student suspected of the possession, sale, manufacture, use, or distribution of a controlled substance, may be suspended from the student's program of study during the investigation and may become ineligible for continued participation in the Higher Education Act (HEA), Title IV Student Assistance Programs. If convicted, the student's relationship with Concorde will be terminated, and the student may lose the ability to participate in the HEA, Title IV Student Assistance Programs.

A student who violates any provision of this policy shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action to include dismissal from Concorde. A student who is dismissed is not eligible for readmission.

In addition, any student or employee who violates the standards of conduct as set forth in this policy may be subject to referral for prosecution.

### Health Requirements Health Services Effective: 11/22/2023

The school does not provide health services on campus.

 Immunizations: Clinical/externship sites may require various vaccinations prior to participation in a clinical/externship rotation. Program Directors maintain a list of vaccination requirements, which can be provided upon request. The immunization requirements are based on general requirements for working in a healthcare setting and may change without notice. It is the students' responsibility to ensure compliance with immunization requirements at their own cost. Students who qualify for exclusion must request an exemption; there is no assurance a clinical site will accept the exemption. Furthermore, if a student does not obtain required immunizations or is unable to provide documentation of past immunizations to meet clinical requirements,

Concorde cannot guarantee placement at a clinical/externship site. In these cases, the student may be required to complete additional health facility-specific documentation, including waivers. Under no conditions can Concorde guarantee employment.

- Health Insurance Coverage: The externship/ clinical sites do not provide health insurance coverage for students. All students are covered by accident and liability insurance policies while in school or on clinical rotation. This policy does not automatically pay for all medical expenses due to school-related accidents. It is designed to work together with the insurance the student may already have. A student is required to meet with the Program Director regarding the processing of a claim. None of the programs provide health insurance as part of the tuition fee. Health insurance is the sole responsibility of the student.
- Health Conditions: It is the responsibility of the student to inform the appropriate instructor(s) of any physical or mental condition that could interfere with the safety of the student and/or patient while at the externship/clinical site.

While ill, it is the responsibility of the student to notify the Program Director, the Director of Clinical Education (DCE)/Clinical Instructor/Extern Coordinator and the externship/clinical site. Students are not permitted to attend class or clinical with a communicable disease.

### General Information Accessibility for Disabilities

The buildings are designed to be accessible to the disabled. Spaces are clearly marked and are reserved for disabled students, staff, and faculty. Cars parked in these designated areas without the proper identification will be towed.

### Cellular Phones Effective date: 04/26/2024

Students may not use cell phones for personal reasons in the classroom unless approved by the instructor.

Personal cell phone use in Clinical - All policies set by our clinical site partners are priority for students and must be followed during clinical rotations. If the clinical site has a cell phone use specific policy, that policy will guide student cell phone use at the clinical site. Students must refrain from using their cell phone during patient care. Cell phones may be used on instructor approved breaks outside of patient accessible areas. If cell phone use becomes necessary outside of approved times or during patient care, the student should immediately alert the instructor for

further guidance. If this policy is violated, the student will receive a written advising for their first infraction. Any infraction thereafter may result in failure of the clinical course and may include dismissal from the program.

### Commencement Ceremonies

To be considered a Concorde graduate, students are required to successfully complete all program requirements. This includes all phases of their didactic training as well as their externship and/or clinical education.

Participation in commencement ceremonies does not constitute official graduation. All requirements as stated in the school catalog must be fulfilled prior to conferment of graduate status. To be eligible to participate in the official commencement ceremonies, graduates must be current on all financial obligations at the time of commencement. (For details regarding graduation requirements, see "Graduation Requirements" in the "Academic Standards" section.)

### **Community Activities**

Concorde participates in community activities and encourages students to become active community members. Students are encouraged to notify the Campus President, Academic Dean or Director of Student Affairs of any upcoming activities in which they would like the school to participate.

### **Customized Training**

Concorde Career College offers customized training and technical assistance to employers on a contractual basis. Specialized curriculum and consultant services can be provided for business-specific needs.

### Day Care Services

Children are not permitted in any class, nor are they allowed on school premises while a parent or guardian is attending class. For information regarding day care services available to students at a reasonable cost, students may contact the Student Affairs department. Many area day care centers understand the need for quality care at a reasonable cost while pursuing educational goals, and the school maintains a list of those centers.

### Eating & Smoking

Students are welcome to pause, relax, eat and drink in the student lounge. Smoking, in all forms (e.g., cigarettes, e-cigarettes), and chewing tobacco are not allowed in the building. If students wish to smoke or chew tobacco, they may do so outside of the building in designated areas. Absolutely no food or beverage are allowed in the labs. Absolutely no food or beverage are allowed in the classrooms unless approved by the campus administration.

### **Emergency Telephone Numbers**

Each student must provide the school with one or more telephone numbers where a family member may be reached in an emergency. Only in the case of an emergency will a student be called out of class to take a telephone call.

### Institutional Information Dissemination

Federal regulation 34 CFR 668.44 requires Concorde to designate an employee or group of employees who shall be available on a full-time basis to assist enrolled or prospective students in obtaining information on the following topics:

- Financial assistance information.
- Tuition and costs, withdrawal and refund policy, academic progress, facilities, faculty, and school approvals.
- Completion and retention rate calculations.
- Institutional Security Policies.

If a student has any questions, he or she should see one of the following personnel: Campus President, Director of Admissions, Financial Aid Director or Academic Dean.

### **Insurance**

Concorde provides students with accident insurance that covers injuries due to an accident that occurs while attending or participating in a Concorde-supervised and sponsored activity. The policy is intended to supplement the students' own insurance, and it requires students to submit a claim to their own insurance carrier first (if they have insurance). The insurance has a \$5,000 limit on covered benefits. For clarification, students should check with the Campus President.

### International Student Services

Concorde does not admit students based on student visas because Concorde does not participate in the SEVIS program.

### Language of Instruction

All classes at Concorde are conducted in English. No English language services are provided. All students must be able to demonstrate the English language proficiency of a U.S. high school graduate by passing the applicable Wonderlic entrance exam, as indicated on page 8 of this Catalog.

### Lost Books & Supplies

Textbooks and curriculum materials are provided for all students; however, lost books are the student's

responsibility to purchase at cost. Students will be expected to furnish such incidentals as paper, notebook, pencils and pens.

### Maximum Class Size

Classes are generally limited in size not to exceed 30 students per laboratory or lecture session. Specific programmatic requirements are addressed in the program section of this catalog. Vocational Nursing classes are not to exceed: Full-Time – 36 students/ Part-Time - 30 students

### Parking

Parking is provided for students. Students park in the parking lot at their own risk. Concorde is not responsible for any damage or loss.

### Personal Belongings

Purses, clothes, books, etc., should not be left unattended, as the school does not assume responsibility for loss or theft.

### Personal Data Changes

Any change of name, address, email or telephone number must be reported to the Registrar's office as soon as the change occurs. Emergency information should be kept current at all times.

### **Refresher Training**

Concorde offers limited refresher training to its graduates. A graduate may apply for refresher training at any Concorde Career College/Institute offering similar classes.

Graduates may be accepted for refresher training (excluding externship) on a space-available basis. The graduate must be in good standing with the Business Office. No tuition will be charged; however, there will be a fee for each class/term or partial class/term. The graduate must have or purchase current text(s), workbook(s), and/or uniform(s) as required. The graduate is required to adhere to current school policies governing attendance and dress.

### **Student Affairs**

Concorde associates make every effort to maintain close communication with their students. Students have access to faculty and administrative staff for both vocational and academic advising. Students experiencing personal problems that require professional advising will be referred to the appropriate agencies.

### Student Housing

Concorde does not assume responsibility for student housing, does not have dormitory facilities under its control, nor does it offer student housing assistance. Living accommodations are available within a convenient distance of the school, and, according to rentals.com, rental properties start at approximately: \$1,000 per month

### **Student Injuries**

Students injured while attending school, participating in a school-supervised function, or in transit to or from supervised school activities are to report immediately to the instructor who will accompany the student to the Campus President. If necessary, immediate emergency procedures will be implemented, and a member of the staff or faculty will accompany the student, in the absence of a parent, guardian or spouse, to the appropriate medical facility. Refer to the "Insurance" section in this catalog for more information.

## Student Complaint & **Grievance** Policy

Effective: 06/19/2020

Students are encouraged, at all times, to communicate their concerns to members of the faculty and administration. If a situation arises in which a student has a complaint or grievance the student is to adhere to the following procedure:

- 1. Within 72 hours: Discuss the matter with his or her instructor, if applicable. If not resolved,
- 2. Within the following 72 hours: Discuss the matter with the Program Director. If not resolved,
- 3. Within the following 72 hours: Discuss the matter with the Academic Dean. If not resolved,
- 4. Within the following 72 hours: Discuss the matter with the Campus President/Director.

If a student is still unable to resolve the issue, a written grievance statement along with supporting documentation may be submitted to the Campus President. The written statement should include the details of the student's issue, a summary of the conversations the student had with individuals while following the above procedure, and an explanation as to why the student believes the issue remains unresolved.

The Campus President will schedule a grievance committee meeting within three business days of receipt of the written grievance. Students are required to appear before the grievance committee. The Campus President will inform the student of the time and place to appear before the committee. The grievance committee has the responsibility of reaching a decision that is in balance with the best interest of

both the student and the college. Students will be notified in writing within three business days of the committee's decision. Legal representation is not permitted since a grievance committee meeting is not considered a legal proceeding.

Further, students have the right to report any apparent inconsistencies with the application of the Student Complaint & Grievance Policy outlined in the school catalog. The request must be completed in writing and submitted to Concorde's Campus Support Center Student Affairs Department at:

studentaffairs@concorde.edu. The request must include a summary of the student's grievance and any details and supporting documentation of the student's conversation with campus staff regarding the grievance, and it must describe how the campus' management of the grievance procedure was inconsistent with the school catalog. The Student Affairs Department will research the student's report as deemed appropriate, including requesting additional information from the student as needed, and render a final decision that is binding. The student will be notified in writing of the decision.

Any questions a student may have regarding this catalog that have not been satisfactorily answered by the Institution may be directed to the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education at 1747 N. Market Blvd., Suite 225, Sacramento, CA 95834 or P.O. Box 980818, West Sacramento, CA 95798-0818, <u>www.bppe.ca.gov</u>, (888) 370-7589 or by fax 916-263-1897.

A student or any member of the public may file a complaint about this Institution with the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education by calling (888) 370-7589 or by completing a complaint form, which can be obtained on the bureau's internet web site (www.bppe.ca.gov).

### Additional Student Grievance Options Effective: 01/04/2022

#### Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges (ACCSC) Student Complaint Procedure

Schools accredited by the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges must have a procedure and operational plan for handling student complaints. If a student does not feel that the school has adequately addressed a complaint or concern, the student may consider contacting the Accrediting Commission. All complaints reviewed by the Commission must be in written form and should grant permission for the Commission to forward a copy of the complaint to the school for a response. This can be accomplished by filing the ACCSC Complaint Form. The complainant(s) will be kept informed as to the status of the complaint as well as the final resolution by the Commission. Please direct all inquiries to: Accrediting Commission of Career Schools & Colleges

2101 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 302

Arlington, VA 22201

(703) 247-4212

www.accsc.org | complaints@accsc.org

A copy of the ACCSC Complaint Form is available at the school and may be obtained by contacting <u>complaints@accsc.org</u> or at <u>https://www.accsc.org/</u><u>Student-Corner/Complaints.aspx</u>.

A student in the Physical Therapist Assistant program may direct an unresolved complaint to:

Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education 1111 North Fairfax Street Alexandria, VA 22314 703-706-3245 www.capteonline.org

A student in the Respiratory Therapy program may direct unresolved complaints to:

Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care 264 Precision Blvd Telford, TN 37690 USA Telephone: 817-283-2835 Fax: 817-354-8519 www.coarc.com

A student in the Vocational Nursing program may direct an unresolved complaint to:

Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians 2535 Capitol Oaks Drive, Suite 205 Sacramento, CA 95833 916-263-7800

### Student Guidance & Advising

Concorde makes every effort to maintain close communication with its students. Students have access to faculty and administrative staff for both vocational and academic advising. Students experiencing personal problems that require professional counseling will be referred to the appropriate agencies.

Assistance is available for students who require individual tutoring in order to raise their grades to a passing level. Students who simply wish to further enhance their own clinical or theoretical knowledge may also take advantage of this service. Students should contact their instructor, Program Director, or Academic Dean for further details.

### Changes

In keeping with the school philosophy of remaining responsive to the needs of students and employers, the

school reserves the right to make modifications and schedule changes without additional charges to the student and within regulatory guidelines.

# Academic Information

### Clinical Experience/ Externship

Effective: 09/07/2021

Certain programs require students to serve a clinical experience/externship in the office of a physician, dentist, hospital, clinic, or long-term-care facility during, near the end or upon completion of academic training. The Director of Clinical Education (DCE)/Clinical Instructor/Extern Coordinator will arrange all clinicals/ externships. The clinical/extern site is under no obligation to employ the student following completion of the clinical/externship. During the clinical experience/externship, students are given the opportunity to put their classroom and laboratory training into practical application under actual employment conditions. While on clinical/externship, the student is under the supervision of a Clinical Instructor/Extern Coordinator or school faculty. Any absence incurred during the clinical experience/ externship must be reported to the Program Director, the Clinical Instructor/Extern Coordinator, DCE and the Clinical/Extern Site Supervisor/Preceptor. Clinical experience/externship must begin immediately upon assignment following classroom completion. All program and catalog requirements apply, including dress code, name tags, drug use, etc. Additionally, students must abide by the rules and regulations of the site to which they are assigned. This includes rules governing confidentiality of medical records and reports to conform to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). While on clinical experience/externship, students must comply with the following clinical/extern regulations:

- The school will assign students to a clinical/ externship site. Students may not turn down a clinical/externship. The school cannot guarantee a particular facility or geographical location; however, Concorde will consider the student's request when making assignments. Students are not permitted to complete their clinical/externship experiences at current employers or sites where family members may have direct influence over students' clinical or externship experiences.
- Students must work the same hours as employees at their assigned site. Some programs require 12-hour shifts and may be completed days, nights, and weekends to obtain the desired clinical skills. Depending upon state laws, a certain amount of time is required for lunch. Lunch time is not included in the total clinical/externship hours.
- 3. Clinical/externship is a part of the student's education. Students will not be paid and may be withdrawn from the program if the facility reports that they were asking for or receiving pay.

- 4. Clinical/extern sites may require that students be vaccinated/immunized for various diseases, be tested for drug usage and/or be checked for any criminal background prior to accepting them. In Respiratory Therapy, all hospitals require drug testing and background checks.
- 5. Students must meet the objectives on the clinical/ externship checkoff and their midpoint evaluations. An unsatisfactory evaluation from the healthcare facility may require the student to serve an extra clinical/externship period, return to school for further training, or result in his or her withdrawal from the school. Poor performance or removal from a clinical site may result in withdrawal from the program.
- 6. As part of the externship requirements, students are responsible for completing and submitting forms and documents as required. Students are responsible for accurate and prompt recording of work hours as well as submitting time to the campus as instructed. Respiratory Therapy students must sign in and out using DataARC documenting software. All procedures performed must be logged in DataARC per program policy. Midterm evaluations (for programs requiring them) must be completed and submitted to the school at the halfway point of the externship. It is the student's responsibility to ensure that the healthcare facility has completed and signed all evaluations and time verification sheets and that the Academic department has received them upon completion of his or her externship.
- 7. It is the student's responsibility to attend scheduled meetings, including site interviews, before and during his or her clinical/externship. Students may be required to return to the campus during their clinical/externship at the direction of their Clinical Instructor/Extern Coordinator or Program Director.
- 8. Students are expected to behave in a professional manner at all times. Any conduct that reflects discredit upon the student, the school, or the site will subject the student to withdrawal from the school.
- 9. If a student is going to be late or absent, he or she must notify the healthcare facility and the Clinical Instructor/Externship Coordinator. Violation of attendance policy will result in probation or withdrawal from school.
- Students should immediately notify their Clinical Instructor/Extern Coordinator/DCE if any problems are encountered during clinical/ externship: personality conflicts, illness, etc. (Students must never walk off the site, for any reason, without first notifying their Clinical Instructor/Extern Coordinator or Program Director.)
- 11. Tuition payments must be kept current.
- 12. If a student is dismissed from a clinical/externship site, the Program Director will evaluate the circumstances of his or her dismissal, and a decision will be made regarding his or her status

as a student. The student may be withdrawn or dismissed from school at that time. If the student is allowed to continue his or her clinical/externship and is dismissed from another site, he or she will be withdrawn from school. Students who are dismissed from clinical/externships will be required to repeat the entire clinical/externship.

Students may be required to travel up to 200 miles away from campus to attend clinical assignments, depending on programmatic requirements. Specific information regarding travel distance to clinical assignments will be provided to students during the enrollment process. Students are responsible for their own travel to and from clinical assignments and must plan accordingly.

### Criteria for Assessing Student Performance While on Externship

Students must demonstrate passing scores in all courses, including practical written exams and hands-on lab exams, prior to being assigned an externship.

During the externship course, each student will be evaluated in the areas of professional performance and appearance, attendance, and practical skills. To complete the externship successfully, a student must satisfactorily perform each procedure outlined in the training plan and demonstrate satisfactory work habits.

If, when evaluated, the extern is unable to perform certain procedures properly, the student will be required to return to campus for additional training in the unsatisfactory areas. During the externship course, the student may be required to return to campus for weekly scheduled meetings to provide continued interaction with the Extern Coordinator. If the student's work habits are unsatisfactory on the first evaluation, the coordinator will confer with the student at that time. If work habits are still unsatisfactory at the end of the externship period, the student may be required to serve an additional externship. A student may repeat the externship only once. If failure of the externship occurs twice, the student will be withdrawn from the program.

The externship evaluation scale is as follows:

3	Student knows the underlying principles and carries out procedures skillfully and accurately.
2	Student performs procedures with a fair degree of accuracy.

1	Student performs most procedures but requires guidance and supervision.
0	Student is unable to perform procedures even with guidance and supervision.
X	Procedure was not observed or performed.

### Student Records

Effective: 08/24/2020

The Registrar's maintains academic records of all coursework completed at the school, and they are maintained on campus for five years. Academic transcripts are maintained indefinitely. Transcripts are released only after receipt of a signed, written request from the student. Transcripts issued to the student are marked "Issued to Student." Students are allowed one official transcript at no charge. A fee will be charged for each additional transcript.

### Academic Units of Credit

One semester credit hour equals 45 units (and one quarter credit hour equals 30 units), comprised of the following academic activities:

- One clock hour in a didactic learning environment
   2 units
- One clock hour in a supervised laboratory setting of instruction = 1.5 units
- One hour of externship = 1 unit
- One hour of out-of-class work and/or preparation for the didactic learning environment or supervised laboratory setting of instruction that are designed to measure the student's achieved competency relative to the required subject matter objectives = 0.5 unit

### Financial Aid Units of Credit Effective: 07/01/2021

Concorde measures programs in either semester credit hours or financial aid units of credit. For financial aid eligibility and disbursements, the school uses the system of clock hour to credit hour conversion established by the U.S. Department of Education. One credit is equal to <u>30</u> clock hours.

### Measure of Program Duration

The ending date or graduation date from a program is a "scheduled" graduation date. In-service days, holidays,

and other unscheduled events that could cause interruptions in scheduled training may influence the actual calendar length of a program.

### Withdrawal Policy Student-Initiated Withdrawal

Effective: 04/21/2023

Students who wish to withdraw may do so by contacting the Academic Dean or Program Director via telephone, mail, or preferably in person. The withdrawal date will be the student's last date of attendance. A student who withdraws during the first seven calendar days of a grading period will not have that course(s) recorded on his or her transcript. A student who withdraws after the first seven calendar days of a grading period will receive a grade of "W". This is not calculated in his or her cumulative grade point average (CGPA). The credits will count toward attempted credits.

The student will be provided with exit interview forms. There are financial and/or financial aid implications for withdrawing. Please consult with the Financial Aid and/ or Business Office to determine how withdrawal will impact your student account.

### Withdrawal for Violation of School Policy

The school may withdraw a student from his or her program of study for violation of published school policy. If a student withdraws from school without notifying the school, the withdrawal will be effective from the last date of attendance. If the student is withdrawn for violation of published school policy, the withdrawal date will be the last date of attendance.

A student who has been withdrawn during the first seven calendar days of a grading period will not have that course(s) recorded on his or her transcript. A student who has been withdrawn after the first seven calendar days of a grading period will receive a grade of "W," which is not calculated in his or her cumulative grade point average (CGPA). The credits will count toward attempted credits.

### Course Drop/Add Policy

The Drop/Add period for each term is 7 calendar days. A student who does not attend a course or whose last date of attendance (LDA) in a course is within the Drop/ Add period may be voluntarily or involuntarily withdrawn from the course without academic or financial penalty. A student who does not post any attendance in a course in the first 14 calendar days after the start of the term will be unregistered from the course and not receive a grade for the course.

### Course Withdrawal Policy Effective: 04/15/2024

A student withdrawing or being withdrawn from a course who has posted attendance after the Drop/Add period will receive a grade of "W". A student with attendance within the last seven calendar days of the course will receive the grade earned in the

course. Withdrawing from a course may impact a student's eligibility for Financial Aid. Please speak with a Financial Aid Representative to discuss your individual account.

### Program Changes

A student who wishes to change programs may do so at any time prior to starting classes. A student changing programs after starting classes will be evaluated according to the school's refund policy.

### **Program Monitoring**

Concorde makes critical comparisons between the content of its programs and the needs and demands of business and industry by monitoring feedback from local agencies, the program advisory committee, test results, graduates, and employers. The instructors communicate closely with industry personnel to keep program objectives and content current.

### Dress Code Effective date: 08/01/2022

Students are preparing for careers and should develop the habit of wearing appropriate attire. Students are required to wear the designated school uniform in class and on externship or clinical experience unless directed otherwise. Clinical/externship sites may require students to wear white shoes. Students are responsible for meeting dress code requirements for the site.

A student's personal appearance must be appropriate at all times when the student is in school uniform. The general requirements are as follows:

- Uniforms will vary by program.
- Uniforms or scrubs must be clean, wrinkle-free and well-fitted. Pants and dresses must be proper length.
- No outerwear is permitted in the classroom except for a lab coat or sweater as established by school/ program standards.
- Shoes must be leather or vinyl and OSHA compliant, closed-toed, closed heel. Students must keep their shoes clean and polished.
- Underclothing is to be worn while in uniform. Undergarments must not be visible.
- The ID badge is part of the uniform and must be visible at all times.

- College-approved lab coats may be worn over the regulation uniform. T-shirts or turtlenecks may be worn under scrubs, but they must be tucked in. T-shirts or turtlenecks must be removed in the lab if they become a safety hazard.
- Jewelry may not be worn with the uniform, except for one pair of small stud earrings, one ring (e.g., wedding and/or engagement ring, class ring) and a watch. Dangling earrings, hoop earrings, or multiple earrings will not be permitted. A single necklace that does not dangle may also be worn. For safety reasons, no jewelry may be worn under protective gloves. Jewelry used in body/tongue piercing other than the earlobe is not acceptable. Medical identification worn as a bracelet or necklace is acceptable.
- Hair must be of a natural hue, neatly combed, clean, and pulled away from the face, so that it does not hang in the face when bending over during lab/clinical activities. No head covers, including beads or jewels interwoven into the hair are to be worn. All religious head coverings must be approved by the Academic Dean.
- Fingernails must be kept short, clean, and neatly manicured. No polish, acrylic nails, overlays, or any synthetic enhancements to the natural nails.
- Proper daily hygiene, including the use of antiperspirant and mouthwash, is essential because students work very closely with others. Cologne and perfume should not be worn.
- Many healthcare facilities mandate coverage of tattoos, and students may be asked to leave a clinical or externship site if tattoos are visible. In order to ensure we are preparing you for the work environment of your chosen field, Concorde requires that students make a reasonable attempt to cover all tattoos.
- Eyelash extensions are prohibited.

# Failure to comply with the above expectations may result in dismissal from the classroom, externship, and/or clinical site.

### Licensure Payment Policy

Concorde is committed to preparing students with the skills and knowledge necessary to become entry-level practitioners in their field of study. Some of the programs offered by Concorde have employment outcomes where passage of a professional certification, licensure or registry examination may be required for employment or that will enhance potential employment opportunities. Concorde will pay exam fees for graduates of these programs based on the eligibility requirements below. Please discuss with your Program Director which exams are relevant to employment in your field of study and the requirements for successfully demonstrating examination preparedness.

Eligibility is determined by the graduate's completion of the following:

- Receive approval from the Program Director, Academic Dean or Campus President before testing.
- Take the exam within two months of graduation, or take the first available exam opportunity for those exams offered only on a periodic schedule.
- Meet all Concorde graduation requirements.
- Demonstrate that the student is prepared to sit for licensure by completing a "green light" process at the campus.

If a second attempt is necessary due to first-time failure, all of the following must be met:

- Evidence of a valid benefit to the student and college, such as meeting or exceeding programmatic licensure pass rate standards and/ or graduate employment rate standards;
- Campus President approval;
- Proof that the graduate sat for, and completed, the first-time exam(s);
- Submission of exam scores from the student's first exam attempt;
- Successful completion by the graduate of a remediation program approved by both the campus-level Program Director and Concorde's Vice President of Academic Affairs or designee.

Registration and certification requirements for taking and passing these examinations are not controlled by Concorde, but by outside agencies, and are subject to change by the agency without notice. Therefore, Concorde cannot guarantee that graduates will be eligible to take these exams, at all or at any specific time, regardless of their eligibility status upon enrollment.

### Distance Education/ Online

Concorde supports the educational needs of the busy adult learner, delivering some courses in an online format. Online classes are not intended as easy substitutes for learning on campus. Students will find that learning online can be as challenging and rewarding as attending on-campus but allows the flexibility of determining when learning is convenient. Although time is flexible, attendance and participation is expected and monitored.

The convenience of online courses allows students to work on assignments and participate in class discussions as their schedules permit within specified timeframes. Learning is achieved through both individual inquiry and collaboration. Each course encompasses a variety of different graded learning activities.

Students enrolled in online classes and programs are expected to be capable of using a computer to complete some or all of their coursework and be familiar with accessing Internet resources. In addition, they must have access to a reliable computer and highspeed Internet connection sufficient to complete their coursework. Students are also welcome to utilize the Concorde computer labs and/or the Learning Resource Center (LRC) to complete coursework. Online courses utilize the Canvas Learning Management System (LMS), a secure, web-based platform that employs multimedia technologies and is accessible 24 hours per day via Internet access. Prior to enrollment, prospective students will be required to complete an online assessment of their readiness to successfully complete their education in an online environment. The campus may require the student to participate in an orientation as well as online sessions at the campus.

To complete online courses using the Canvas Learning Management System (LMS), students should refer to the following links to be sure they are using appropriate computer systems. Students also must have an Internet provider with reliable service.

- Computer Specifications <u>https://community.canvaslms.com/</u> <u>docs/DOC-2059</u>
- Browser
   Requirements <u>https://community.canvaslms.com/</u>
   <u>docs/DOC-1284</u>

Some courses may only be offered in a distance education format. Please refer to the Admissions Representative or Academic Dean for course schedules.

### Attendance Requirements

Online education affords students great flexibility in managing their time. However, academic success requires that students engage in learning activities regularly and participate in meaningful interactions with faculty and fellow students. Specific daily attendance is not required for online courses, as it would be on a campus. Students are required, however, to log into their class regularly and submit assignments in a timely manner, or they may risk being withdrawn for lack of attendance.

For each course, initial attendance is recorded when a student logs into his or her class and completes a learning activity. Students who only view the syllabus but make no other substantive participation for the rest of the course are not considered enrolled. Attendance in subsequent weeks is recorded by a student completing a learning activity. The act of logging in each week does not constitute attendance; the student must participate by either engaging in the discussion board or submitting a graded assignment to be considered present for that week.

Once a student has logged into his or her class and completed a learning activity or assignment, he or she is considered officially enrolled in the course and expected to complete the entire course. Failure to post attendance for two consecutive weeks may subject the student to immediate withdrawal.

Coursework is assigned weekly. Students are expected to complete assignments according to the course outline. (Refer to the "Make-Up Work" policy for submitting missed coursework.) Students must show attendance within the first three days of the course, or they are subject to withdrawal from the course.

### Learning Activities

Online students use the Canvas Learning Management System (LMS) to view video content, receive and submit project work and assignments, take assessments, quizzes and tests, communicate with instructors and classmates, and review course progress and grades. In keeping with the modality of online learning much of the content will be delivered either with e-books or digital content. Successful online learning requires the student to be an active participant in all learning activities. Learning activities will vary by course but may include:

- discussion thread posts
- exams, quizzes and assessments
- case studies
- group interactive assignments
- other graded assignments

All learning activities associated with a course will be clearly outlined on the syllabus page within each Canvas course. Attendance is recorded when the student submits any learning activity. Students must contribute weekly to the discussion forums. Deadlines are established differently based upon the length of each term. Concorde offers online courses and programs in four-week and 10-week terms.

### Four-Week Terms

Due dates are established according to the day of the week the term starts. Weekly modules always begin at 12:00 a.m. CST and end at 11:59 p.m. CST. Courses last for four weeks or 20 weekdays. This is divided into four modules within the online course. Each module is five class days in length and does not include weekends. Initial discussion board posts are always due on the third class day of the weekly module. Assignments, assessments and discussion board responses are due on the fifth or last class day of each weekly module.

### Ten-Week Terms

Courses are 10 weeks in length, and the weekly module will always start on Monday (12:00 a.m. CST) to Sunday (11:59 p.m. CST). Initial discussion board posts are due not later than every Wednesday (11:59 p.m. CST), and assignments, assessments and discussion board responses are due by Sunday (11:59 p.m. CST).

Students who are considered officially enrolled in the course but do not fulfill all of the coursework required will receive a grade based on the assignments they have completed.

# Faculty/Student Interaction & Academic Advising

Faculty/student interaction is critical for student success in an online environment. Online methods of interaction include online lectures, email, document sharing, and threaded discussions. Faculty members review and respond to student requests within a 24-hour time period.

Ground students who have opted to take some of their General Education courses online receive the same benefits as fully online students in regard to faculty interaction. However, student advising during midterms and finals will be the responsibility of the campus at which the student is enrolled.

### Student Services Effective: 07/19/2021

Students enrolled in online courses, whether they are fully online or ground students taking select General Education courses, will be given support and services. Ground students will be provided services directly through their home campus. Each campus has a designated "Online Success Coach" (OSC) who will be provided weekly reports for high-risk students and can provide basic troubleshooting within the Learning Management System (LMS). The OSC can also refer the student to the Director of Student Affairs located on campus.

Fully online students will have student support access through the Dean of Online Operations. The Dean will provide support to students who may be high-risk, typically via telephone or email, and may also assist students by involving other campus associates.

### Learning Resources

Concorde Career Colleges, Inc., subscribes to multiple databases from Gale Cengage Learning, which is available to all students through the Canvas Learning Management System (LMS). Included in these materials are over 20,000 titles with peer-reviewed full text articles exceeding 8,000 as well as ebooks, experiments, projects, and images. Many of the students' immediate research questions can be met by using these online reference sources. The user-friendly web interface has information from leading medical journals, encyclopedias, newspapers, newsletters, and pamphlets.

### Learning Outcomes

Learning outcomes for online coursework are the same as on- ground coursework.

### Graduation Requirements

Students taking online courses must meet the graduation requirements for their chosen program of study.

### Health Screens

Students enrolling in programs where health screens are required will be provided with a list of required immunizations. Students will be required to provide proof of immunization prior to beginning clinical rotations.

### Uniforms

Students enrolling in programs where uniforms are required for clinical rotations are responsible for providing their own clothing in accordance with the established policies of the institution where they will be completing their clinicals.

## Academic Standards

### Attendance Policy General Effective: 09/11/2023

Regular attendance in scheduled ground classes, clinical and externship experiences, and frequent and full participation in online activities is expected of all students. It is expected that students will complete all assigned work, both online and on ground, and complete all homework to receive the full benefit of the program. When a student enrolls, that student accepts the responsibility of participating fully in all coursework. Attendance is recorded for all appropriate online and on-ground activities and becomes part of the student's permanent record with the school.

Concorde recognizes, however, that unforeseen situations do occur in students' lives. For this reason, Concorde allows for specific Attendance Warning and Attendance Probation periods.

In all cases, a student will be withdrawn on the first business day following 14 consecutive calendar days of nonattendance online or on ground, excluding holidays and term breaks published in the school catalog.

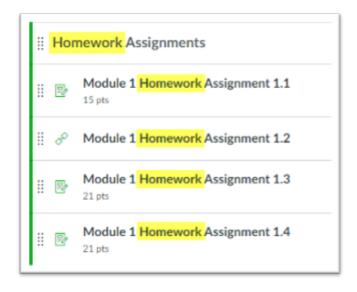
# Blended Programs (exclusive of externship & clinical)

Effective: 03/11/2021

Attendance for blended programs/courses may consist of the following:

- <u>Ground Attendance</u> (GA) is time awarded for classes scheduled at specific times on campus. Students are scheduled for these classes and any time absent will be recorded. This attendance includes on-campus lecture or lab activities. Students are expected to attend all GA activities within a term.
- Online Attendance (OA) are academic activities that a student completes online on his or her own schedule. These would include assignments, projects, simulation, and other academically related non-homework activities. Students will be awarded attendance based on the online completion and/or submission of activities.

**Homework** is incorporated into many classes and is to be completed on the students' own time. Attendance is never awarded for activities identified as homework.



Sample Online Assignments Identified as "Homework"

### **Excessive Absences**

Effective: 03/11/2021

Excessive absences will prevent a student from achieving course and program outcomes. For the purposes of this policy, excessive absences are defined as:

- Missing more than 20 percent of total scheduled Ground Attendance hours within a module for programs on four-week modules.
- Missing more than 10 percent of total scheduled Ground Attendance hours within a term for programs on 10-week or longer terms.

### Attendance Warning

### Effective: 03/11/2021

A student will be advised of their attendance performance and placed on Attendance Warning at the end of the first module or term during which the student has excessive absences. The student will remain on Attendance Warning until the end of the next term or module.

### Attendance Probation

Effective: 03/11/2021

A student who is already in an Attendance Warning status will be advised of possible withdrawal and placed on Attendance Probation at the end of an Attendance Warning term or module during which the student has excessive absences. A student already on Attendance Probation will be withdrawn <u>immediately</u> upon having excessive absences during the term or module. A student who does not have excessive absences will remain on Attendance Probation until the end of the following term or module.

### Return to Good Standing

Effective: 03/11/2021

A student in an Attendance Warning or Attendance Probation status who does not have excessive absences at the end of a term or module will be notified and returned to good standing.

### **Externships Courses**

Effective: 03/11/2021

A student must complete all hours designated as externship within the time allotted to pass the externship course. Externship experiences are scheduled in partnership with the externship site. Students must plan sufficiently in advance to attend every day of the scheduled externship experience. In the event a student will be absent from, or will arrive late to a site, the student must contact the site and the appropriate school official immediately upon becoming aware of the situation. Except in cases of documented emergency, notification of absence or tardiness must occur at least 60 minutes in advance of the scheduled start time. If the site supervisor or school official determines that a student is not reliable for any reason, including absences, the student may be removed from the site and may be withdrawn from the program.

### **Clinical Classes**

Effective: 03/11/2021

Clinical participation is vital to student success, and students are expected to be present, on time, and prepared for every scheduled clinical experience.

- Many programs require full clinical attendance. In these programs, a student must complete 100% of published clinical hours by the last day of the term to pass the class. A student who does not complete all clinical hours in these programs will fail and be required to repeat the clinical class.
- For programs that do not require full clinical attendance, a student may not miss more than 10% of published clinical hours. A student who is absent more than 10% of the scheduled clinical hours on the last day of the term will fail and be required to repeat the clinical class.
- Some programs' clinical experiences are measured in cases or competencies. For these programs, a student may not miss more than 10% of published clinical hours. A student who is absent more than 10% of the scheduled clinical hours on the last day of the term will fail and be required to repeat the clinical class, *even if all clinical cases or competencies are met*.

If, for any reason, a student will be late or absent for a clinical shift, the student must notify the instructor or other designated Concorde individual immediately

upon becoming aware of the situation. Except in the case of a documented emergency, failure to notify of an absence or tardiness at least 60 minutes before a scheduled start time or arriving more than 30 minutes late to a scheduled clinical shift may result in disciplinary actions up to and including withdrawal from the program. Some clinical facilities may have additional or stricter attendance requirements for students. In this case, students are required to follow the attendance policy in place at the clinical facility.

Students who have any absence or absences that result in not completing the required clinical hours, lab competencies, or required cases shall fail the course. Clinical make-up sessions may be provided; however, the program's ability to provide make-up hours is dependent upon scheduling and other factors that may prohibit the availability of clinical make-up hours.

### Online Courses and Programs

Students taking online courses should refer to the Distance Education/Online section of the catalog for specific attendance requirements.

### Make-Up Work

All graded work or performed competencies (letter grade or pass/fail) not completed by the due date, or missed due to absence, including being tardy or leaving early, will not be eligible for a grade. Students will receive a zero (0) for missed work or an "F" for missed competencies. Instructors may make case-by-case exceptions if a significant, documentable, and infrequent situation caused a student to miss a submission deadline. Instructors will ensure that all students receive equitable consideration when granting extensions.

### Marital, Parental and Military Leave Statuses

Concorde Career Colleges, Inc., complies with all requirements outlined in 34 C.F.R. 106.40 (a) and (b) with regard to the marital or parental status of students. Any student is eligible for leave in the care of pregnancy, childbirth, false pregnancy, termination of pregnancy, and recovery therefrom for so long a period as deemed medically necessary by the student's physician. The student will be administratively withdrawn from the institution for this leave period. At the conclusion of the student's leave period, the student will be reinstated to the same academic and enrollment status that he or she held when the leave began. An academic skills assessment may be applicable upon return.

Additionally, Concorde complies with all requirements outlined in 34 C.F.R.668.18 (a), (e), and (g). Students who have been deployed, or are required to attend military training, will be administratively withdrawn from school for this leave period. The school will promptly readmit a service member into the same or similar program, under the same academic status and tuition at the time of withdrawal; in accordance with regulation, eligibility for this reinstatement is valid for up to one year from return from military service. The cumulative length of absence and of all previous absences from the school for military service may not exceed five years. Only the time the student spends actually performing service is counted. An academic skills assessment may be applicable upon return.

For further information on these statuses and how to apply, please contact a member of the Student Affairs department. For information on how these statuses impact your Financial Aid, please contact a member of the Financial Aid department.

### Campus Safety Policy Effective: 11/30/2023

Concorde is committed to providing a safe and productive environment for all Concorde associates and students. To help prevent incidents of violence from occurring, Concorde has implemented this campus safety policy. Concorde expressly prohibits any acts or threats of violence by an associate, student, or former associate against any other associate or student in or about its facilities or clinical sites at any time. Concorde does not condone any acts or threats of violence against associates, students, clients, or visitors by an individual on the school's premises at any time or while such an individual is engaged in business with or on behalf of Concorde, on or off the school's premises. In keeping with the spirit and intent of this policy and to ensure that the objectives in this regard are attained, Concorde is committed to the following policies:

- Providing a safe and healthy work and educational environment.
- Taking prompt remedial action up to and including immediate dismissal of any associate or student who engages in any threatening behavior or acts of violence or uses obscene, abusive, or threatening language or gestures.
- Taking appropriate action when dealing with clients, former associates or students, or visitors to the school's facilities who engage in such behavior. Such action may include notifying the police or other law enforcement personnel and prosecuting violators of this policy.
- Prohibiting associates, former associates, students, clients, and visitors from bringing unauthorized firearms or other weapons onto the school's premises.

In furtherance of this policy, associates and students have a "duty to alert" their supervisors, the Campus President, or Human Resources of any suspicious activity, situations, or incidents that they observe or know of that involve other associates, students, former associates, clients, or visitors and that appear problematic. This would include threats or acts of violence, aggressive behavior, offensive acts, and threatening or offensive comments or remarks. Associate and student reports made pursuant to this policy are held in confidence to the extent possible. Concorde will not condone any form of retaliation against any associate or student for making a report in good faith under this policy.

Threats against individual(s) and/or Concorde should be immediately reported to the Campus President or Human Resources at the Campus Support Center. It is critical that any material relevant to the incident be maintained until Human Resources decides on the proper disposition. Confrontational threats while on campus may be dealt with by the Campus President and Human Resources. Actions may include suspension (for gathering additional facts), written warning, or dismissal.

A copy of the Emergency Response Plan can be obtained from the Campus President in conjunction with the campus community and Concorde Career College resources.

# Student Code of Conduct

Effective: 06/19/2020

Concorde believes strongly in promoting the development of personal, professional and social responsibility. Concorde also believes in a humanistic approach to discipline conducive to academic pursuits. However, Concorde recognizes that its responsibility for the protection of personal and institutional rights and property is a primary focus of the disciplinary process. Behavior that infringes upon rights, safety or privileges, or that impedes the educational process, is unacceptable and may lead to sanctions up to and including dismissal from the school. Courteous behavior and professional conduct, appropriate to a business environment, is to be displayed at all times.

All students are expected to respect the rights of others and are held responsible for conforming to the laws of the federal, local, and State governments. Students are expected to conduct themselves in a manner consistent with the best interests of Concorde and of the student body.

Concorde's administration reserves the right to develop any policy or take any action(s) deemed appropriate to maintain the safety and well-being of any or all students. Student conduct offenses may be related to persons, property, campus operations, and welfare, and the health or safety of students, faculty and staff.

Concorde reserves the right to discipline and/or dismiss a student, visitor, or employee for any of the

following reasons: possession of firearms on campus property; failure to maintain satisfactory academic progress (SAP); failure to pay college fees and/or tuition by applicable deadlines; disruptive behavior (continued willful noncompliance, willful and persistent profanity or vulgarity, open and/or persistent defiance of authority, and/or persistent disrespect of personnel or students). ; posing a danger to the health or welfare of students or other members of the campus community; theft, on or off campus; any form of assault; State and Federal drug law violations; electronic or social media violations; or failure to comply with the policies and procedures of Concorde.

The list of examples is not intended to be all-inclusive, and Concorde reserves the right to act in the best interest of the students, faculty, and staff and may deem actions committed by a student to be a conduct violation, although the action does not appear on a list of examples.

Violation of the conduct policy is grounds for suspension of privileges, up to and including dismissal from the Institution. The Campus President reserves the right to take any action(s) deemed appropriate to ensure the immediate safety and well-being of any or all students, faculty, and staff.

Students are encouraged to share personal experiences while participating in classes at Concorde. However, students must be aware that should they disclose to any Concorde faculty members or staff information that may cause harm to themselves or others, faculty members and staff are required to report such information to the Academic Dean, Director of Student Affairs, or Campus President.

Every student is subject to federal and state law and respective county and city ordinances. A student who is convicted of any criminal offense which interferes with the orderly operation of the school or which the administration feels would endanger members of the Concorde community shall be subject to disciplinary action.

Infringements of the Student Code of Conduct are handled by the Concorde Academic Dean, Director of Student Affairs, and Campus President. Students have the right to request further review in accordance with the school's "Student Complaint & Grievance Policy" as outlined in this catalog.

Students who are dismissed for a conduct related violation are not eligible for readmission into any Concorde College/Institute campus.

### <u>Student Code of Conduct Offenses</u> Offenses Related to Persons

An offense related to a person is committed when a student:

- 1. Intentionally or knowingly and without authority or consent limits or restricts the freedom of a person to move about in a lawful manner.
- 2. Threatens (by any means), intimidates or uses physical or sexual force in a manner that endangers the health or safety of another person or which reasonably causes another person to be fearful of physical or emotional harm.
- 3. Intentionally harasses another person. Harassment includes, but is not limited to, impeding another persistently or wronging or bothering another persistently.
- 4. Engages in any activity related to other persons which is prohibited by law or court order.

### Offenses Related to Property

An offense related to property is committed when a student:

- 1. Knowingly and without consent or authorization possesses, removes, uses, misappropriates, or sells the property or services of another person or of Concorde.
- 2. Intentionally or negligently damages or destroys property owned or in the possession of another person or of Concorde.
- 3. Obtains the property of another person by misrepresentation or deceptive means.
- 4. Enters or uses the facilities or property of another person or Concorde without consent or authorization.
- 5. Commits a computer-related offense, including, but not limited to, use of a Concorde computer to access graphically prurient or sexually explicit images of persons and/or children.

# Offenses Related to the Operation of Concorde

An offense related to the operation of Concorde is committed when a student:

- 1. Engages in illegal, obscene or indecent conduct on Concorde property or at Concorde-sponsored events.
- 2. Forges, alters, possesses, duplicates, or uses documents, records, keys or identification without consent or the authorization of appropriate Concorde officials.
- 3. Fails without just cause to comply with the lawful order of a Concorde official acting in the performance of his/her duties and authority.
- 4. Engages in solicitation in or on Concorde property or involving the use of campus property unless such solicitation is approved by appropriate Concorde officials.
- 5. Operation of any audio or video recording device without prior approval.
- 6. Intentionally acts to impair, interfere with, or obstruct the orderly conduct, processes, and functions of Concorde.

### Offenses Related to Welfare, Health or Safety

An offense related to welfare, health or safety is committed when a student:

- Uses, possesses, or manufactures, without Concorde authorization, firearms, explosives, weapons, unregistered fireworks, illegal chemical or biological agents or other dangerous articles or substances injurious to persons or property.
- 2. Falsely reports a fire, activates emergency warning equipment, or communicates false information regarding the existence of explosives or hazardous materials on Concorde property.
- 3. Abuses, removes, or damages fire and safety equipment or fails to vacate a building or facility when a fire alarm is activated.
- 4. Fails to leave a building, streets, walks, driveways or other facilities of Concorde when directed to do so by an official of the campus having just cause to so order.
- 5. Uses, possesses, distributes, sells, purchases or is under the influence of alcohol, narcotics, hallucinogens, dangerous drugs, or controlled substances.

### Non-Discrimination Policy

Effective 08/14/2020

Concorde is committed to maintaining a working and learning environment that is free from discrimination and harassment for all Concorde associates and students, including persons interested in applying to participate in a Concorde education program or activity as an employee or student. Accordingly, Concorde does not discriminate or harass, and will not tolerate any form of discrimination or harassment, on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, including but not limited to sexual orientation and gender expression or identity, disability, or age in its education programs and activities. The following persons have been designated to handle inquiries regarding Concorde's Non-Discrimination Policy:

Koula Foura M.Ed

Student Affairs Director

Lead Title IX Coordinator

Lead ADA Coordinator

Concorde Career Colleges

6701 W. 64th St., Suite 200

Overland Park, KS 66202

Office: 913.745.2219

Fax: 913.831.6556

#### Email: TITLEIX@concorde.edu

For additional information regarding Concorde's policy against sex discrimination or harassment and grievance procedures to address allegations of sex discrimination or harassment, please see the Title IX policy.

### Sexual Harassment

Effective: 08/14/2020

Sexual harassment includes conduct on the basis of sex that satisfies one or more of the following: (1) an employee conditioning the provision of an aid, service or benefit of Concorde on an individual's participation in unwelcome sexual conduct; (2) unwelcome conduct determined by a reasonable person to be so severe, pervasive and objectively offensive that it effectively denies a person equal access to Concorde's education program or activity; and/or (3) Sexual Assault, Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, or Stalking as defined herein.

- **Dating Violence.** Violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the survivor/victim based on the reporting party's statements, with consideration given to the length of the relationship, type of the relationship, and the frequency of interaction between persons in the relationship. Dating Violence includes but is not limited to sexual or physical abuse or threat of such abuse but does not include acts covered as Domestic Violence (defined below).
- **Domestic Violence.** A felony or misdemeanor crime of violence committed by a: (1) current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim; (2) person with whom the victim shares a child in common; (3) person who is cohabitating with, or has cohabitated with, the victim as a spouse or intimate partner; (4) person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred; or (5) any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred.
- Sexual Assault. An offense that meets the definition of rape, fondling, incest, or statutory rape as used in the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting program.
- **Stalking.** Engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to fear for the person's safety or the safety of others or suffer substantial emotional distress.

### <u>Racial, Religious, or National Origin</u> <u>Harassment</u>

Racial, religious, or national origin harassment deserves special mention as well and is expressly prohibited by this policy. Racial, religious, or national origin harassment includes any verbal, written, or physical act in which race, religion, or national origin is used or implied in a manner that would make a reasonable student or associate uncomfortable in the work and learning environment. Examples of racial, religious, or national origin harassment include jokes that include reference to race, religion or national origin, the display or use of objects or pictures that adversely reflect on a person's race, religion, or national origin, or use of language that is offensive due to a person's race, religion, or national origin.

### How to Report Instances of Discrimination or Harassment

Concorde cannot resolve matters that are not brought to its attention. Any associate or student, regardless of position or program, who has a complaint of or who witnesses discrimination or harassment at work or school by anyone, including supervisors, managers, associates, nonassociates or students, has a responsibility to immediately bring the matter to Concorde's attention. To bring instances of discrimination or harassment to Concorde's attention, an associate or student must immediately complain to either of the following individuals who are responsible for enforcing this policy: the Campus President or Human Resources, Concorde Career Colleges, Inc. Complaints of sexual misconduct or harassment should be reported to the Campus President and/or campus Title IX Coordinator.

### <u>Concorde's Commitment to No</u> <u>Discrimination or Harassment Policy</u>

If a student feels that Concorde has not met its obligations under the policy, he or she should contact Human Resources at Concorde Career Colleges, Inc.

Concorde Statement of Nondiscrimination, Notice of Nondiscrimination and Grievance Procedures for Complaints of Title IX Discrimination Effective date: 08/16/2024

Statement of Nondiscrimination

Concorde does not discriminate on the basis of sex and prohibits sex discrimination in any education program or activity that it operates, as required by Title IX, including in admission and employment.

#### Notice of Nondiscrimination

Concorde does not discriminate on the basis of sex and prohibits sex discrimination in any education program or activity that it operates, as required by Title IX and its regulations, including in admission<sup>4</sup> and employment.

Inquiries about Title IX may be referred to Concorde's Title IX Coordinator, the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights, or both. Concorde's Title IX Coordinator is:

Koula Foura, M.Ed Lead Title IX Coordinator 6701 W. 64<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 200- Building 5 Overland Park, KS 66202 Office: 913.745.2219 Fax: 913.831.6556 Email: <u>TITLEIX@concorde.edu</u>

An anonymous report may be filed with Lighthouse, a third-party service, by calling, emailing or filing an online report as provided below:

1-855-400-6004 <u>reports@lighthouse-services.com</u> Website: <u>www.lighthouse-services.com/concorde</u>

Campus Presidents have been designated as confidential resources. Any person may make a confidential report or discuss matters related to Concorde's nondiscrimination policy and grievance procedures privately with their respective Campus President. Such communications will be maintained in confidence unless information is shared which represents an imminent threat to the health or safety of any person.

Concorde's non-discrimination policy and grievance procedures can be located in your college catalog "Student Complaint & Grievance Policy" and "Non-Discrimination Policy".

### <u>Grievance Procedures for All Complaints of</u> <u>Sex Discrimination</u>

Concorde has adopted grievance procedures that provide for the prompt and equitable resolution of complaints made by students, employees, or other individuals who are participating or attempting to participate in its education program or activity, or by the Title IX Coordinator, alleging any action that would be prohibited by Title IX or the Title IX regulations.

#### Complaints:

The following people have a right to make a complaint of sex discrimination, including complaints of sex-based harassment, requesting that Concorde investigate and make a determination about alleged discrimination under Title IX:

- A "complainant," which includes:
  - a student or employee of Concorde who is alleged to have been subjected to conduct that could constitute sex discrimination under Title IX; or
  - a person other than a student or employee of Concorde who is alleged to have been subjected to conduct that could constitute sex discrimination under Title IX at a time when that individual was participating or attempting to participate in Concorde's education program or activity;
- A parent, guardian, or other authorized legal representative with the legal right to act on behalf of a complainant; or
- Concorde's Title IX Coordinator.

Note that a person is entitled to make a complaint of sex-based harassment only if they themselves are alleged to have been subjected to the sex-based harassment, if they have a legal right to act on behalf of such person, or if the Title IX Coordinator initiates a complaint consistent with the requirements of 34 C.F.R. § 106.44(f)(1)(v).

With respect to complaints of sex discrimination other than sex-based harassment, in addition to the people listed above, the following persons have a right to make a complaint:

- Any student or employee of Concorde; or
- Any person other than a student or employee who was participating or attempting to participate in Concorde's education program or activity at the time of the alleged sex discrimination.

Concorde may consolidate complaints of sex discrimination against more than one respondent, or by more than one complainant against one or more respondents, or by one party against another party, when the allegations of sex discrimination arise out of the same facts or circumstances, unless such consolidation would violate FERPA. When more than one complainant or more than one respondent is involved, references below to a party, complainant, or respondent include the plural, as applicable.

#### Basic Requirements of Title IX Grievance Procedures:

Concorde will treat complainants and respondents equitably.

Concorde requires that any Title IX Coordinator, investigator, or decisionmaker not have a conflict of interest or bias for or against complainants or respondents generally or an individual complainant or respondent. A decisionmaker may be the same person as the Title IX Coordinator or investigator.

Concorde presumes that the respondent is not responsible for the alleged sex discrimination until a determination is made at the conclusion of its grievance procedures.

Concorde has established the following timeframes for the major stages of the grievance procedures: evaluation (7-14 days); investigation (30-60 days); determination (30-60 days) and appeal (30-60 days).

The parties have the right to expect that the Grievance Procedures set forth herein will begin promptly following the filing of a Formal Complaint and proceed in a timely manner. Concorde shall consider requests for extensions or delays, only for good cause. If the process is delayed or a deadline is extended, the College will so notify the parties, in writing.

Concorde will take reasonable steps to protect the privacy of the parties and witnesses during its grievance procedures. These steps will not restrict the ability of the parties to obtain and present evidence, including by speaking to witnesses; consult with their family members, confidential resources, or advisors; or otherwise prepare for or participate in the grievance procedures. The parties cannot engage in retaliation, including against witnesses.

Concorde will objectively evaluate all evidence that is relevant and not otherwise impermissible including both inculpatory and exculpatory evidence. Credibility determinations will not be based on a person's status as a complainant, respondent, or witness.

The following types of evidence, and questions seeking that evidence, are impermissible (*i.e.*, will not be accessed or considered, except by Concorde to determine whether one of the exceptions listed below applies; will not be disclosed; and will not otherwise be used), regardless of whether they are relevant:

- Evidence that is protected under a privilege recognized by Federal or State law or evidence provided to a confidential employee, unless the person to whom the privilege or confidentiality is owed has voluntarily waived the privilege or confidentiality.
- A party's or witness's records that are made or maintained by a physician, psychologist, or other recognized professional or paraprofessional in connection with the provision of treatment to the party or witness, unless Concorde obtains that party's or witness's voluntary, written consent for use in its grievance procedures; and
- Evidence that relates to the complainant's sexual interests or prior sexual conduct, unless evidence about the complainant's prior sexual conduct is

offered to prove that someone other than the respondent committed the alleged conduct or is evidence about specific incidents of the complainant's prior sexual conduct with the respondent that is offered to prove consent to the alleged sex-based harassment. The fact of prior consensual sexual conduct between the complainant and respondent does not by itself demonstrate or imply the complainant's consent to the alleged sex-based harassment or preclude determination that sex-based harassment occurred.

#### Notice of Allegations:

Upon initiation of Concorde's Title IX grievance procedures, Concorde will notify the parties of the following:

- Concorde's Title IX grievance procedures and any informal resolution process;
- Sufficient information available at the time to allow the parties to respond to the allegations, including the identities of the parties involved in the incident(s), the conduct alleged to constitute sex discrimination, and the date(s) and location(s) of the alleged incident(s);
- Retaliation is prohibited; and
- The parties are entitled to an equal opportunity to access the relevant and not otherwise impermissible evidence or an accurate description of this evidence.

If, in the course of an investigation, Concorde decides to investigate additional allegations of sex discrimination by the respondent toward the complainant that are not included in the notice provided or that are included in a complaint that is consolidated, Concorde will notify the parties of the additional allegations.

#### Dismissal of a Complaint:

Concorde may dismiss a complaint of sex discrimination if:

- Concorde is unable to identify the respondent after taking reasonable steps to do so;
- The respondent is not participating in Concorde's education program or activity and is not employed by Concorde;
- The complainant voluntarily withdraws any or all of the allegations in the complaint, the Title IX Coordinator declines to initiate a complaint, and Concorde determines that, without the complainant's withdrawn allegations, the conduct that remains alleged in the complaint, if any, would not constitute sex discrimination under Title IX even if proven; or
- Concorde determines the conduct alleged in the complaint, even if proven, would not constitute sex

discrimination under Title IX. Before dismissing the complaint, Concorde will make reasonable efforts to clarify the allegations with the complainant.

Upon dismissal, Concorde will promptly notify the complainant of the basis for the dismissal. If the dismissal occurs after the respondent has been notified of the allegations, then Concorde will also notify the respondent of the dismissal and the basis for the dismissal promptly following notification to the complainant, or simultaneously if notification is in writing.

Concorde will notify the complainant that a dismissal may be appealed and will provide the complainant with an opportunity to appeal the dismissal of a complaint. If the dismissal occurs after the respondent has been notified of the allegations, then Concorde will also notify the respondent that the dismissal may be appealed. Dismissals may be appealed on the following bases:

- Procedural irregularity that would change the outcome;
- New evidence that would change the outcome and that was not reasonably available when the dismissal was made; and
- The Title IX Coordinator, investigator, or decisionmaker had a conflict of interest or bias for or against complainants or respondents generally or the individual complainant or respondent that would change the outcome.

If the dismissal is appealed, Concorde will:

- Notify the parties of any appeal, including notice of the allegations, if notice was not previously provided to the respondent;
- Implement appeal procedures equally for the parties;
- Ensure that the decisionmaker for the appeal did not take part in an investigation of the allegations or dismissal of the complaint;
- Ensure that the decisionmaker for the appeal has been trained consistent with the Title IX regulations;
- Provide the parties a reasonable and equal opportunity to make a statement in support of, or challenging, the outcome; and
- Notify the parties of the result of the appeal and the rationale for the result.

When a complaint is dismissed, Concorde will, at a minimum:

- Offer supportive measures to the complainant as appropriate;
- If the respondent has been notified of the allegations, offer supportive measures to the respondent as appropriate; and

• Take other prompt and effective steps, as appropriate, through the Title IX Coordinator to ensure that sex discrimination does not continue or recur within Concorde's education program or activity.

#### Investigation:

Concorde will provide for adequate, reliable, and impartial investigation of complaints.

The burden is on Concorde—not on the parties—to conduct an investigation that gathers sufficient evidence to determine whether sex discrimination occurred.

Concorde will provide an equal opportunity for the parties to present fact witnesses and other inculpatory and exculpatory evidence that is relevant and not otherwise impermissible.

Concorde will review all evidence gathered through the investigation and determine what evidence is relevant and what evidence is impermissible regardless of relevance.

Concorde will provide each party with an equal opportunity to access the evidence that is relevant to the allegations of sex discrimination and not otherwise impermissible, in the following manner:

- Concorde will provide an equal opportunity to access the relevant and not otherwise impermissible evidence;
- Concorde will provide a reasonable opportunity to respond to the evidence or the accurate description of the evidence; and
- Concorde will take reasonable steps to prevent and address the parties' unauthorized disclosure of information and evidence obtained solely through the grievance procedures. Disclosures of such information and evidence for purposes of administrative proceedings or litigation related to the complaint of sex discrimination are authorized.

#### **Questioning the Parties and Witnesses:**

Concorde will provide a process that enables the decisionmaker to question parties and witnesses to adequately assess a party's or witness's credibility to the extent credibility is both in dispute and relevant to evaluating one or more allegations of sex discrimination.

Concorde's process for proposing and asking relevant and not otherwise impermissible questions and followup questions of parties and witnesses, including questions challenging credibility, will:

• Allow the decisionmaker to ask such questions during individual meetings with a party or witness;

- Allow each party to propose such questions that the party wants asked of any party or witness and have those questions asked by the decisionmaker during one or more individual meetings, including follow-up meetings, with a party or witness, subject to the procedures for evaluating and limiting questions discussed below; and
- Provide each party with an audio or audiovisual recording or transcript with enough time for the party to have a reasonable opportunity to propose follow-up questions.

Procedures for the decisionmaker to evaluate the questions and limitations on questions: The decisionmaker will determine whether a proposed question is relevant and not otherwise impermissible before the question is posed and will explain any decision to exclude a question as not relevant or otherwise impermissible. Questions that are unclear or harassing of the party or witness being questioned will not be permitted. The decisionmaker will give a party an opportunity to clarify or revise a question that the decisionmaker determines is unclear or harassing. If the party sufficiently clarifies or revises the question, the question will be asked.

Refusal to respond to questions and inferences based on refusal to respond to questions: The decisionmaker may choose to place less or no weight upon statements by a party or witness who refuses to respond to questions deemed relevant and not impermissible. The decisionmaker will not draw an inference about whether sex-based harassment occurred based solely on a party's or witness's refusal to respond to such questions.

#### **Determination Whether Sex Discrimination Occurred:**

Following an investigation and evaluation of all relevant and not otherwise impermissible evidence, Concorde will:

- Use the preponderance of the evidence standard of proof to determine whether sex discrimination occurred. The standard of proof requires the decisionmaker to evaluate relevant and not otherwise impermissible evidence for its persuasiveness. If the decisionmaker is not persuaded under the applicable standard by the evidence that sex discrimination occurred, whatever the quantity of the evidence is, the decisionmaker will not determine that sex discrimination occurred.
- Notify the parties in writing of the determination whether sex discrimination occurred under Title IX including the rationale for such determination, and the procedures and permissible bases for the complainant and respondent to appeal, if applicable.
- Not impose discipline on a respondent for sex discrimination prohibited by Title IX unless there is

a determination at the conclusion of the grievance procedures that the respondent engaged in prohibited sex discrimination.

- If there is a determination that sex discrimination occurred, the Title IX Coordinator will, as appropriate:
  - Coordinate the provision and implementation of remedies to a complainant and other people Concorde identifies as having had equal access to Concorde's education program or activity limited or denied by sex discrimination.
  - Coordinate the imposition of any disciplinary sanctions on a respondent, including notification to the complainant of any such disciplinary sanctions; and
  - Take other appropriate prompt and effective steps to ensure that sex discrimination does not continue or recur within Concorde's education program or activity.
- Comply with the grievance procedures before the imposition of any disciplinary sanctions against a respondent; and
- Not discipline a party, witness, or others participating in the grievance procedures for making a false statement or for engaging in consensual sexual conduct based solely on the determination whether sex discrimination occurred.

#### **Appeal of Determinations:**

Concorde offers the following process for appeals from a determination whether sex discrimination occurred:

- **Procedural irregularity:** there was an irregularity in the processing of the Formal Complaint (e.g., investigation or hearing) that affected the outcome of the matter;
- New Evidence: there is evidence that was not reasonably available before or at the time the determination regarding responsibility was made that could reasonably affect the outcome of the matter; or
- **Conflict of Interest:** The Lead Title IX Coordinator, investigator and/or grievance officer had a conflict of interest or bias for or against survivors/victims or Respondents generally or the individual Complainant or Respondent that affected the outcome of the matter.

Written Appeal: In order to initiate the appeal process, a party must submit the appeal, in writing, to the Lead Title IX Coordinator no later than five (5) business days following receipt of the Determination Notice. The appeal must be based upon at least one of the allowable bases for appeal. Upon receipt of the Appeal the Lead Title IX Coordinator will send a Notice of Appeal to all parties providing them with the copy of the written appeal and allowing for both parties to submit to the Lead Title IX Coordinator a written statement in support of or challenging the relevant determination and any statements contained in the Appeal.

Assignment of Appellate Officer: Within three (3) business days following receipt of the parties' statements or expiration of the deadline to submit statements, the Lead Title IX Coordinator will assign an Appellate Officer to consider the appeal and will provide written notice to the parties of the identity of and contact information for the Appellate Officer along with an explanation of the process for challenging the assignment based on conflict of interest or bias. Any challenge must be resolved before the Appeal review process may begin.

**Review Process**: For purposes of considering and coming to a conclusion about the appeal, the Lead Title IX Coordinator will provide the Appellate Officer with access to the Appeal, written responses thereto, written determination subject to appeal, evidence, Investigative Report (if applicable) and any other relevant records received, created or maintained as part of these procedures. The Appellate Officer has authority to conduct additional interviews or inquiries only as may be necessary to seek clarification on issues specifically raised in the Appeal.

**Appeal Decision**: Within thirty (30) business days following receipt of the Appeal and relevant materials, the Appellate Officer will make a determination and provide written notice to all parties, with a copy to the Lead Title IX Coordinator, of the result of the appeal and the rationale for that result.

This appeal process will be, at a minimum, the same as Concorde offers in all other comparable proceedings, including proceedings relating to other discrimination complaints.

#### Informal Resolution, if offered:

At Concorde's discretion, in lieu of resolving a complaint through Concorde's Title IX grievance procedures, the parties may instead elect to participate in an informal resolution process. Concorde does not offer informal resolution when such a process would conflict with Federal, State, or local law.

#### **Supportive Measures:**

Concorde will offer and coordinate supportive measures as appropriate for the complainant and/or respondent to restore or preserve that person's access to Concorde's education program or activity or provide support during Concorde's Title IX grievance procedures or during the informal resolution process. For complaints of sex-based harassment, these supportive measures may include but are not limited to no contact directives, scheduling adjustments, academic accommodations or leaves of absence.

#### **Disciplinary Sanctions and Remedies:**

Following a determination that sex-based harassment occurred, Concorde may impose disciplinary sanctions, which may include warnings, probation, loss of privileges or dismissal or expulsion. Concorde may also provide remedies, which may include no contact directives, scheduling adjustments, academic accommodations, training and awareness activities, campus security measures or leaves of absence.

### <u>Grievance Procedures for Complaints of</u> <u>Sex-Based Harassment Involving Student</u> <u>Complainants or Student Respondents</u>

Concorde has adopted Title IX grievance procedures that provide for the prompt and equitable resolution of complaints made by students, employees, or other individuals who are participating or attempting to participate in its education program or activity, or by the Title IX Coordinator. These grievance procedures address complaints of sex-based harassment that involve a student party.

#### **Complaints**:

The following people have a right to make a complaint of sex-based harassment, requesting that Concorde investigate and make a determination about alleged sex-based harassment under Title IX:

- A "complainant," which includes:
  - a student or employee of Concorde who is alleged to have been subjected to conduct that could constitute sex discrimination under Title IX; or
  - a person other than a student or employee of Concorde who is alleged to have been subjected to conduct that could constitute sex discrimination under Title IX at a time when that individual was participating or attempting to participate in Concorde's education program or activity;
- A parent, guardian, or other authorized legal representative with the legal right to act on behalf of a complainant; or
- Concorde's Title IX Coordinator.

Note that a person is entitled to make a complaint of sex-based harassment only if they themselves are alleged to have been subjected to the sex-based harassment, if they have a legal right to act on behalf of such person, or if the Title IX Coordinator initiates a complaint consistent with the requirements of 34 C.F.R. § 106.44(f)(1)(v).

Concorde may consolidate complaints of sex discrimination against more than one respondent, or by more than one complainant against one or more respondents, or by one party against another party, when the allegations of sex discrimination arise out of the same facts or circumstances. When more than one complainant or more than one respondent is involved, references below to a party, complainant, or respondent include the plural, as applicable.

#### Basic Requirements of Title IX Grievance Procedures:

Concorde will treat complainants and respondents equitably.

Concorde requires that any Title IX Coordinator, investigator, or decisionmaker not have a conflict of interest or bias for or against complainants or respondents generally or an individual complainant or respondent. As long as there is no conflict of interest or bias, a decisionmaker may be the same person as the Title IX Coordinator or investigator.

Concorde presumes that the respondent is not responsible for the alleged sex discrimination until a determination is made at the conclusion of its grievance procedures.

Concorde has established the following timeframes for the major stages of the grievance procedures: evaluation (7-14 days) (*i.e.*, the decision whether to dismiss or investigate a complaint); investigation (30-60 days); determination (30-60 days) and appeal (30-60 days).

The parties have the right to expect that the Grievance Procedures set forth herein will begin promptly following the filing of a Formal Complaint and proceed in a timely manner. Concorde shall consider requests for extensions or delays, only for good cause. If the process is delayed or a deadline is extended, the College will so notify the parties, in writing.

Concorde will take reasonable steps to protect the privacy of the parties and witnesses during its grievance procedures. These steps will not restrict the ability of the parties to obtain and present evidence, including by speaking to witnesses; consult with their family members, confidential resources, or advisors; or otherwise prepare for or participate in the grievance procedures. The parties cannot engage in retaliation, including against witnesses.

Concorde will objectively evaluate all evidence that is relevant and not otherwise impermissible including both inculpatory and exculpatory evidence. Credibility determinations will not be based on a person's status as a complainant, respondent, or witness.

The following types of evidence, and questions seeking that evidence, are impermissible (*i.e.*, will not be accessed or considered, except by Concorde to determine whether one of the exceptions listed below applies; will not be disclosed; and will not otherwise be used), regardless of whether they are relevant:

- Evidence that is protected under a privilege recognized by Federal or State law or evidence provided to a confidential employee, unless the person to whom the privilege or confidentiality is owed has voluntarily waived the privilege or confidentiality;
- A party's or witness's records that are made or maintained by a physician, psychologist, or other recognized professional or paraprofessional in connection with the provision of treatment to the party or witness, unless Concorde obtains that party's or witness's voluntary, written consent for use in its grievance procedures; and
- Evidence that relates to the complainant's sexual interests or prior sexual conduct, unless evidence about the complainant's prior sexual conduct is offered to prove that someone other than the respondent committed the alleged conduct or is evidence about specific incidents of the complainant's prior sexual conduct with the respondent that is offered to prove consent to the alleged sex-based harassment. The fact of prior consensual sexual conduct between the complainant and respondent does not by itself demonstrate or imply the complainant's consent to the alleged sex-based harassment or preclude determination that sex-based harassment or courred.

#### Written Notice of Allegations:

Upon initiation of these Title IX grievance procedures, Concorde will notify the parties in writing of the following with sufficient time for the parties to prepare a response before any initial interview:

- Concorde's Title IX grievance procedures and any informal resolution process;
- Sufficient information available at the time to allow the parties to respond to the allegations, including the identities of the parties involved in the incident(s), the conduct alleged to constitute sexbased harassment, and the date(s) and location(s) of the alleged incident(s);
- Retaliation is prohibited;
- The respondent is presumed not responsible for the alleged sex-based harassment until a determination is made at the conclusion of the grievance procedures. Prior to such a determination, the parties will have an opportunity to present relevant and not otherwise impermissible evidence to a trained, impartial decisionmaker;
- The parties may have an advisor of their choice who may be, but is not required to be, an attorney;
- The parties are entitled to an equal opportunity to access the relevant and not otherwise impermissible evidence; and
- Knowingly making false statements or knowingly submitting false information during the grievance procedures constitutes a violation of Concorde's

Code of Conduct which prohibits intentional acts to impair, interfere with, or obstruct the orderly conduct, processes, and functions of Concorde

If, in the course of an investigation, Concorde decides to investigate additional allegations of sex-based harassment by the respondent toward the complainant that are not included in the written notice or that are included in a consolidated complaint, it will provide written notice of the additional allegations to the parties.

#### **Dismissal of a Complaint:**

Concorde may dismiss a complaint if:

- Concorde is unable to identify the respondent after taking reasonable steps to do so;
- The respondent is not participating in Concorde's education program or activity and is not employed by Concorde;
- Concorde obtains the complainant's voluntary withdrawal in writing of any or all of the allegations, the Title IX Coordinator declines to initiate a complaint, and Concorde determines that, without the complainant's withdrawn allegations, the conduct that remains alleged in the complaint, if any, would not constitute sex discrimination under Title IX even if proven; or
- Concorde determines the conduct alleged in the complaint, even if proven, would not constitute sex discrimination under Title IX. Before dismissing the complaint, Concorde will make reasonable efforts to clarify the allegations with the complainant.

Upon dismissal, Concorde will promptly notify the complainant in writing of the basis for the dismissal. If the dismissal occurs after the respondent has been notified of the allegations, then Concorde will notify the parties simultaneously in writing.

Concorde will notify the complainant that a dismissal may be appealed on the bases outlined in the *Appeals* section. If dismissal occurs after the respondent has been notified of the allegations, then Concorde will also notify the respondent that the dismissal may be appealed on the same bases. If a dismissal is appealed, Concorde will follow the procedures outlined in the *Appeals* section.

When a complaint is dismissed, Concorde will, at a minimum:

- Offer supportive measures to the complainant as appropriate.
- If the respondent has been notified of the allegations, offer supportive measures to the respondent as appropriate; and
- Take other prompt and effective steps, as
   appropriate, through the Title IX Coordinator to

ensure that sex discrimination does not continue or recur within Concorde's education program or activity

#### Investigation:

Concorde will provide for adequate, reliable, and impartial investigation of complaints.

The burden is on Concorde—not on the parties—to conduct an investigation that gathers sufficient evidence to determine whether sex discrimination occurred.

Concorde will provide to a party whose participation is invited or expected, written notice of the date, time, location, participants, and purpose of all meetings or proceedings with sufficient time for the party to prepare to participate.

Concorde will provide the parties with the same opportunities to be accompanied to any meeting or proceeding by the advisor of their choice, who may be, but is not required to be, an attorney.

- Concorde will not limit the choice or presence of the advisor for the complainant or respondent in any meeting or proceeding.
- Concorde may establish restrictions regarding the extent to which the advisor may participate in these grievance procedures, as long as the restrictions apply equally to the parties.

Concorde will provide the parties with the same opportunities, if any, to have people other than the advisor of the parties' choice present during any meeting or proceeding.

Concorde will provide an equal opportunity for the parties to present fact witnesses and other inculpatory and exculpatory evidence that are relevant and not otherwise impermissible.

Concorde will review all evidence gathered through the investigation and determine what evidence is relevant and what evidence is impermissible regardless of relevance.

Concorde will provide each party and the party's advisor, if any, with an equal opportunity to access the evidence that is relevant to the allegations of sex-based harassment and not otherwise impermissible, in the following manner:

- Concorde will provide an equal opportunity to access either the relevant and not otherwise impermissible evidence;
- Concorde will provide a reasonable opportunity to review and respond to the evidence. If Concorde conducts a live hearing as part of its grievance

procedures, it will provide this opportunity to review the evidence in advance of the live hearing.; and

• Concorde will take reasonable steps to prevent and address the parties' and their advisors' unauthorized disclosure of information and evidence obtained solely through the sex-based harassment grievance procedures.

#### **Questioning the Parties and Witnesses:**

Concorde will provide a process that enables the decisionmaker to question parties and witnesses to adequately assess a party's or witness's credibility to the extent credibility is both in dispute and relevant to evaluating one or more allegations of sex-based harassment.

Concorde's process for proposing and asking relevant and not otherwise impermissible questions and followup questions of parties and witnesses, including questions challenging credibility, will allow the decisionmaker to ask such questions, and either:

Allow each party to propose such questions that the party wants asked of any party or witness and have those questions asked by the decisionmaker, subject to the procedures for evaluating and limiting questions discussed below;

Procedures for the decisionmaker to evaluate the questions and limitations on questions: The decisionmaker will determine whether a proposed question is relevant and not otherwise impermissible before the question is posed and will explain any decision to exclude a question as not relevant or otherwise impermissible. Questions that are unclear or harassing of the party or witness being questioned will not be permitted. The decisionmaker will give a party an opportunity to clarify or revise a question that the decisionmaker determines is unclear or harassing. If the party sufficiently clarifies or revises the question, the question will be asked.

Refusal to respond to questions and inferences based on refusal to respond to questions: The decisionmaker may choose to place less or no weight upon statements by a party or witness who refuses to respond to questions deemed relevant and not impermissible. The decisionmaker will not draw an inference about whether sex-based harassment occurred based solely on a party's or witness's refusal to respond to such questions.

#### **Procedures for a Live Hearing:**

Concorde will conduct the live hearing with the parties physically present in the same geographic location or, at Concorde's discretion or upon the request of either party, will conduct the live hearing with the parties physically present in separate locations with technology enabling the decisionmaker and parties to simultaneously see and hear the party or witness while that person is speaking.

Concorde will create an audio or audiovisual recording or transcript of any live hearing and make it available to the parties for inspection and review.

#### Determination Whether Sex-Based Harassment Occurred:

Following an investigation and evaluation of all relevant and not otherwise impermissible evidence, Concorde will:

- Use the preponderance of the evidence standard of proof to determine whether sex discrimination occurred. The standard of proof requires the decisionmaker to evaluate relevant and not otherwise impermissible evidence for its persuasiveness. If the decisionmaker is not persuaded under the applicable standard by the evidence that sex discrimination occurred, whatever the quantity of the evidence is, the decisionmaker will not determine that sex discrimination occurred.
- Notify the parties simultaneously in writing of the determination whether sex-based harassment occurred under Title IX including:
  - A description of the alleged sex-based harassment;
  - Information about the policies and procedures that Concorde used to evaluate the allegations;
  - The decisionmaker's evaluation of the relevant and not otherwise impermissible evidence and determination whether sexbased harassment occurred;
  - When the decisionmaker finds that sex-based harassment occurred, any disciplinary sanctions Concorde will impose on the respondent, whether remedies other than the imposition of disciplinary sanctions will be provided by Concorde to the complainant, and, to the extent appropriate, other students identified by Concorde to be experiencing the effects of the sex-based harassment; and
  - Concorde's procedures and permissible bases for the complainant and respondent to appeal.
- Concorde will not impose discipline on a respondent for sex discrimination prohibited by Title IX unless there is a determination at the conclusion of the Title IX grievance procedures that the respondent engaged in prohibited sex discrimination.
- If there is a determination that sex discrimination occurred, as appropriate, the Title IX Coordinator will:
  - Coordinate the provision and implementation of remedies to a complainant and other

people Concorde identifies as having had equal access to Concorde's education program or activity limited or denied by sex discrimination;

- Coordinate the imposition of any disciplinary sanctions on a respondent, including notification to the complainant of any such disciplinary sanctions; and
- Take other appropriate prompt and effective steps to ensure that sex discrimination does not continue or recur within Concorde's education program or activity.
- Comply with the Title IX grievance procedures before the imposition of any disciplinary sanctions against a respondent; and
- Not discipline a party, witness, or others participating in the Title IX grievance procedures for making a false statement or for engaging in consensual sexual conduct based solely on the determination whether sex discrimination occurred.

The determination regarding responsibility becomes final either on the date that Concorde provides the parties with the written determination of the result of any appeal, or, if no party appeals, the date on which an appeal would no longer be considered timely.

#### Appeals:

Concorde will offer an appeal from a dismissal or determination whether sex-based harassment occurred on the following bases:

- Procedural irregularity that would change the outcome;
- New evidence that would change the outcome and that was not reasonably available when the determination or dismissal was made; and
- The Title IX Coordinator, investigator, or decisionmaker had a conflict of interest or bias for or against complainants or respondents generally or the individual complainant or respondent that would change the outcome.

If a party appeals a dismissal or determination whether sex-based harassment occurred, Concorde will:

- Notify the parties in writing of any appeal, including notice of the allegations, if notice was not previously provided to the respondent;
- Implement appeal procedures equally for the parties;
- Ensure that the decisionmaker for the appeal did not take part in an investigation of the allegations or dismissal of the complaint;
- Ensure that the decisionmaker for the appeal has been trained consistent with the Title IX regulations;

- Communicate to the parties in writing that Concorde will provide the parties a reasonable and equal opportunity to make a statement in support of, or challenging, the outcome; and
- Notify the parties in writing of the result of the appeal and the rationale for the result.

Any additional procedures or bases for appeal Concorde offers will be equally available to all parties.

#### **Informal Resolution:**

At Concorde's discretion, in lieu of resolving a complaint through Concorde's Title IX grievance procedures, the parties may instead elect to participate in an informal resolution process. Concorde will inform the parties in writing of any informal resolution process it offers and determines is appropriate, if any. Concorde will not offer informal resolution to resolve a complaint when such a process would conflict with Federal, State, or local law. Before the initiation of an informal resolution process, Concorde will explain in writing to the parties:

- The allegations;
- The requirements of the informal resolution process;
- That any party has the right to withdraw from the informal resolution process and initiate or resume grievance procedures at any time before agreeing to a resolution;
- That if the parties agree to a resolution at the end of the informal resolution process, they cannot initiate or resume grievance procedures arising from the same allegations;
- The potential terms that may be requested or offered in an informal resolution agreement, including notice that an informal resolution agreement is binding only on the parties; and
- What information Concorde will maintain and whether and how Concorde could disclose such information for use in Title IX grievance procedures if such procedures are initiated or resumed.

### **Informal Resolution:**

At Concorde's discretion, in lieu of resolving a complaint through Concorde's Title IX grievance procedures, the parties may instead elect to participate in an informal resolution process. Concorde will inform the parties in writing of any informal resolution process it offers and determines is appropriate, if any. Concorde will not offer informal resolution to resolve a complaint when such a process would conflict with Federal, State, or local law. Before the initiation of an informal resolution process, Concorde will explain in writing to the parties:

- The allegations;
- The requirements of the informal resolution process;

- That any party has the right to withdraw from the informal resolution process and initiate or resume grievance procedures at any time before agreeing to a resolution;
- That if the parties agree to a resolution at the end of the informal resolution process, they cannot initiate or resume grievance procedures arising from the same allegations;
- The potential terms that may be requested or offered in an informal resolution agreement, including notice that an informal resolution agreement is binding only on the parties; and
- What information Concorde will maintain and whether and how Concorde could disclose such information for use in Title IX grievance procedures if such procedures are initiated or resumed.

#### **Supportive Measures:**

Concorde will offer and coordinate supportive measures as appropriate for the complainant and/or respondent to restore or preserve that person's access to the Concorde's education program or activity or provide support during Concorde's Title IX grievance procedures or during the informal resolution process. For complaints of sex-based harassment, these supportive measures may include but are not limited to no contact directives, scheduling adjustments, academic accommodations or leaves of absence.

#### **Disciplinary Sanctions and Remedies:**

Following a determination that sex-based harassment occurred, Concorde may impose disciplinary sanctions, which may include warnings, probation, loss of privileges or dismissal or expulsion. Concorde may also provide remedies, which may include no contact directives, scheduling adjustments, academic accommodations, training and awareness activities, campus security measures or leaves of absence.

**Definitions.** For purposes of this policy and these procedures, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:

Affirmative Consent means affirmative, conscious, and voluntary agreement to engage in sexual activity. It is the responsibility of each person involved in sexual activity to ensure that the other(s) involved affirmatively consent(s) to engage in sexual activity. Lack of protest or resistance does not mean consent, nor does silence mean consent. Affirmative consent must be ongoing throughout a sexual activity and can be revoked at any time. The existence of a dating relationship between the persons involved, or the fact of past sexual relations between them should never by itself be assumed to be an indicator of consent. Valid consent does not exist if Respondent knew or should have known that Complainant was unable to consent because Complainant was asleep or unconscious; was

incapacitated due to drugs, alcohol or medication; or Complainant was unable to communicate due to a mental or physical condition.

#### Complainant means:

(1) A student or employee who is alleged to have been subjected to conduct that could constitute sex discrimination under Title IX or this part; or

(2) A person other than a student or employee who is alleged to have been subjected to conduct that could constitute sex discrimination under Title IX or this part and who was participating or attempting to participate in the recipient's education program or activity at the time of the alleged sex discrimination.

*Complaint* means an oral or written request to the recipient that objectively can be understood as a request for the recipient to investigate and make a determination about alleged discrimination under Title IX or this part.

Confidential employee means:

(1) An employee of a recipient whose communications are privileged or confidential under Federal or State law. The employee's confidential status, for purposes of this part, is only with respect to information received while the employee is functioning within the scope of their duties to which privilege or confidentiality applies;

(2) An employee of a recipient whom the recipient has designated as confidential under this part for the purpose of providing services to persons related to sex discrimination. If the employee also has a duty not associated with providing those services, the employee's confidential status is only with respect to information received about sex discrimination in connection with providing those services; or

(3) An employee of a postsecondary institution who is conducting an Institutional Review Board-approved human-subjects research study designed to gather information about sex discrimination—but the employee's confidential status is only with respect to information received while conducting the study. Disciplinary sanctions means consequences imposed on a respondent following a determination under Title IX that the respondent violated the recipient's prohibition on sex discrimination.

Party means a complainant or respondent.

*Peer retaliation* means retaliation by a student against another student.

*Relevant* means related to the allegations of sex discrimination under investigation as part of the grievance procedures under § 106.45, and if applicable § 106.46. Questions are relevant when they seek evidence that may aid in showing whether the alleged sex discrimination occurred, and evidence is relevant when it may aid a decisionmaker in determining whether the alleged sex discrimination occurred. *Remedies* means measures provided, as appropriate, to a complainant or any other person the recipient identifies as having had their equal access to the recipient's education program or activity limited or denied by sex discrimination. These measures are provided to restore or preserve that person's access to the recipient's education program or activity after a recipient determines that sex discrimination occurred.

*Respondent* means a person who is alleged to have violated the recipient's prohibition on sex discrimination.

Retaliation means intimidation, threats, coercion, or discrimination against any person by the recipient, a student, or an employee or other person authorized by the recipient to provide aid, benefit, or service under the recipient's education program or activity, for the purpose of interfering with any right or privilege secured by Title IX or this part, or because the person has reported information, made a complaint, testified, assisted, or participated or refused to participate in any manner in an investigation, proceeding, or hearing under this part, including in an informal resolution process under § 106.44(k), in grievance procedures under § 106.45, and if applicable § 106.46, and in any other actions taken by a recipient under § 106.44(f)(1). Nothing in this definition or this part precludes a recipient from requiring an employee or other person authorized by a recipient to provide aid, benefit, or service under the recipient's education program or activity to participate as a witness in, or otherwise assist with, an investigation, proceeding, or hearing under this part.

*Sex-based harassment* prohibited by this part is a form of sex discrimination and means sexual harassment and other harassment on the basis of sex, including:

(1) *Quid pro quo harassment*. An employee, agent, or other person authorized by the recipient to provide an aid, benefit, or service under the recipient's education program or activity explicitly or impliedly conditioning the provision of such an aid, benefit, or service on a person's participation in unwelcome sexual conduct;

(2) *Hostile environment harassment.* Unwelcome sexbased conduct that, based on the totality of the circumstances, is subjectively and objectively offensive and is so severe or pervasive that it limits or denies a person's ability to participate in or benefit from the recipient's education program or activity (i.e., creates a hostile environment). Whether a hostile environment has been created is a fact-specific inquiry that includes consideration of the following:

(i) The degree to which the conduct affected the complainant's ability to access the recipient's education program or activity;

(ii) The type, frequency, and duration of the conduct;
(iii) The parties' ages, roles within the recipient's education program or activity, previous interactions, and other factors about each party that may be relevant to

evaluating the effects of the conduct; (iv) The location of the conduct and the context in which the conduct occurred; and

(v) Other sex-based harassment in the recipient's education program or activity; or

(3) Specific offenses.

(i) Sexual assault meaning an offense classified as a forcible or nonforcible sex offense under the uniform crime reporting system of the Federal Bureau of Investigation;

(ii) Dating violence meaning violence committed by a person:

(A) Who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim; and(B) Where the existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on a consideration of the following factors:

(1) The length of the relationship;

(2) The type of relationship; and

(3) The frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship;

(iii) Domestic violence meaning felony or misdemeanor crimes committed by a person

who:

(A) Is a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim under the family or domestic violence laws of the jurisdiction of the recipient, or a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim;

(B) Is cohabitating, or has cohabitated, with the victim as a spouse or intimate partner;

(C) Shares a child in common with the victim; or

(D) Commits acts against a youth or adult victim who is protected from those acts under the family or domestic violence laws of the jurisdiction; or

(iv) Stalking meaning engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to:

(A) Fear for the person's safety or the safety of others; or

(B) Suffer substantial emotional distress.

Student means a person who has gained admission.

Supportive measures means individualized measures offered as appropriate, as reasonably available, without unreasonably burdening a complainant or respondent, not for punitive or disciplinary reasons, and without fee or charge to the complainant or respondent to: (1) Restore or preserve that party's access to the recipient's education program or activity, including measures that are designed to protect the safety of the parties or the recipient's educational environment; or (2) Provide support during the recipient's grievance procedures under § 106.45, and if applicable § 106.46, or during the informal resolution process under § 106.44(k).

# Student Computer Network and Internet Conduct

Concorde Career Institute provides students access to its computer network and Internet access for purposes directly related to education. Concorde reserves the right to monitor all usage of its computers and computer systems. This includes the monitoring of email and website access. The following practices are prohibited:

- Installing or executing unauthorized software. Using computers to copy copyrighted or licensed software.
- Using the network for commercial purposes. Users may not buy or sell products or services through the system without prior consent of the corporate network administrator.
- Using the network for advertising or political lobbying.
- Accessing websites, newsgroups, or chat areas that contain material that is sexually related, obscene, or that promotes illegal acts. If a user accidentally accesses this type of information, he or she should immediately notify an instructor, the Learning Resource Center Coordinator, and/or network administrator.
- Using the network for any activity or to transmit any material that violates federal, state, or local laws. This includes, but is not limited to, illegal activities, such as threatening the safety of another person or peer-to-peer file sharing of copyrighted materials.
- Using vulgar, derogatory, or obscene language. Users may not engage in personal attacks, harass another person, or post private information about another person.
- Logging on to another person's account or attempting to access another user's files, with or without that person's permission.
- "Hacking" or otherwise trying to gain access to another person's or organization's computer system.
- Engaging in "spamming" (sending an email to more than 10 people at the same time) or participation in chain letters.
- Intentionally damaging any computer hardware or software.

Computer and network resources are of significant value, and their abuse can have a negative effect on other users. Noncompliance with this policy may result in loss of computer and network privileges, suspension, and/or withdrawal from school.

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# Social Media Use Policy

This policy addresses the use of social media sites by Concorde students, whether or not the use involves the College's WiFi network or other computer resources. Social media includes, but is not limited to: texting, blogs and social media platforms such as Snapchat, Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, Instagram, Google+, YouTube, Flickr, and Yammer.

Concorde is aware that members of the College community may wish to express their personal ideas, thoughts, and opinions through their private social media accounts (not administered by the College). Nevertheless, Concorde students are expected to conduct themselves in a professional manner at all times. Concorde reserves the right, under circumstances it deems appropriate and subject to applicable laws and regulations, to impose disciplinary measures. Such disciplinary measures include dismissal from the College for students who use social media in violation of the guidelines in this policy, in ways that reflect poorly on the College, or interferes with the education of other students and/or the operation of the College. In appropriate cases, the conduct may also be reported to law enforcement authorities.

In connection with the use of social media, the conduct listed below is prohibited:

- Using social media to harass, threaten, insult, defame or bully another person or entity.
- Making threats of injury to any student, patient, member of faculty or staff, or officer or board member, including threats concerning their respective family members or personal property.
- Making comments that insult, disparage, disrespect or defame the College or members of the Concorde community.
- Making discriminatory or harassing comments that violate federal or state law and/or would be prohibited by Concorde's anti-discrimination / anti-harassment policy and/or Title IX policy.
- Violating any intellectual property law, such as copyright, trademark, fair use and/or financial disclosure law.
- Posting or sharing copyrighted content (such as text, video, graphics or sound files) without permission from the holder of the copyright.
- Posting or sharing trademarked content (such as logos, names, brands, symbols and designs) without permission from the trademark owner. The "®" symbol indicates that the mark is federally registered and the owner has the exclusive right to use it. The "TM and SM" symbols indicate that the owner may have common-law rights, but the mark is not federally registered.
- Posting or sharing, a photograph or video image of a student, faculty or staff member without obtaining their permission.

- Posting or sharing a photograph or video of a patient or volunteer that would violate the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).
- Posting images or comments which are vulgar or obscene, or would otherwise violate any applicable law.

For any questions regarding this policy, contact your Campus President.

# **Confidentiality Statement**

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) is the law that applies to physicians regarding the completely confidential nature of patient information and applies to all Concorde students and employees. Except where necessary in the regular course of business, the discussion, transmission, or narration in any form of any patient information of a personal nature, medical or otherwise, obtained in the regular course of the student's schooling or employment is strictly forbidden. Any violation of this professional rule shall constitute grounds for severe disciplinary action, including possible termination of the enrollment contract and dismissal from the College.

# Graduation Requirements Effective: 03/24/2023

A diploma, certificate, or degree will be issued to students upon successful completion of all academic requirements. Successful completion of all courses listed in the program breakdowns requires a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or above. All externships/clinicals must also be successfully completed with a passing grade. Duplicate diplomas or certificates take approximately 14-30 working days after payment to produce. A fee will be assessed for all duplicate requests.

(For details regarding commencement ceremonies, see "Commencement Ceremonies" in the "Student Information & Affairs" section under "General Information.")

# Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

Concorde maintains a number of important records on the student's behalf throughout the application and registration processes, as well as records that are maintained throughout a student's enrollment. Examples of such records include but are not limited to:

- Academic Transcripts
- Attendance Records
- Financial Aid Records
- Employment Records

Disciplinary Documentation

# Student Rights Under FERPA

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords eligible students certain rights with respect to their education records. Once a student reaches 18 years of age or attends a postsecondary institution, he or she becomes an "eligible student," and all rights formerly given to parents under FERPA transfer to the student.

These rights include:

- The right to inspect and review the student's education records within 45 days after the day Concorde receives a request for access.
- A student should submit to the Academic Dean or Campus President a written request that identifies the record(s) the student wishes to inspect. The school official will make arrangements for access and notify the student of the time and place where the records may be inspected. Students are not entitled to inspect and review financial records of their parents. If a request is submitted to a school official not responsible for maintaining records, that official shall advise the student of the correct official to whom the request should be addressed.
- The right to request the amendment of the student's education records that the student believes is inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights under FERPA.
- A student who wishes to ask the school to amend a record should write the Academic Dean, clearly identify the part of the record the student wants changed, and specify why it should be changed.
- If the school decides not to amend the record as requested, the school will notify the student in writing of the decision and the student's right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the student when notified of the right to a hearing.
- The right to provide written consent before Concorde discloses personally identifiable information from the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent.
- The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by Concorde to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA is:

Family Policy Compliance Office

U.S. Department of Education

400 Maryland Avenue, SW

Washington, DC 20202-8520

# Concorde Rights Under FERPA

FERPA permits the disclosure of education records, without consent of the student, if the disclosure meets certain conditions found in the FERPA regulations. A postsecondary institution may disclose education records without obtaining prior written consent of the student in the following instances:

- Parental access to a student's record will be allowed by Concorde without prior consent if: 1) the student has violated a law or the Institution's rules or policies governing alcohol or substance abuse, and the student is under 21 years old; or 2) the information is needed to protect the health or safety of the student or other individuals in an emergency.
- The school discloses education records without a student's prior written consent under the FERPA exception for disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interests. A school official is a person employed by the Institution in an administrative, supervisory, academic, research, or support staff position (including law enforcement unit personnel and health staff); a person serving on the board of trustees; or a student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee. A school official also may include a volunteer or contractor outside of Concorde who performs an institutional service of function for which the school would otherwise use its own employees and who is under the direct control of the school with respect to the use and maintenance of the education records, such as an attorney, auditor, or collection agent or a student volunteering to assist another school official in performing his or her tasks. A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibilities for the Institution.
- To officials of another school where the student seeks or intends to enroll, or where the student is already enrolled if the disclosure is for purposes related to the student's enrollment or transfer.
- To authorized representatives of the U.S. Comptroller General, the U.S. Attorney General, the U.S. Secretary of Education, or State and local educational authorities, such as a State postsecondary authority that is responsible for supervising the Institution's State-supported education programs. Disclosures under this provision may be made: 1) in connection with financial aid for which the student has applied or which the student has received, if the information is necessary to determine eligibility for the aid, determine the amount of the aid, determine the conditions of the aid, or enforce the terms and conditions of the aid; 2) in connection with an audit or evaluation of Federal- or State-supported education programs, or for the enforcement of or compliance with Federal legal requirements that

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relate to those programs. These entities may make further disclosures to outside entities that are designated by them as their authorized representatives to conduct any audit, evaluation, or enforcement or compliance activity on their behalf.

- To organizations conducting studies for, or on behalf of, the school in order to: develop, validate, or administer predictive tests; administer student aid programs; or improve instruction.
- To accrediting organizations to carry out their accrediting functions.
- To comply with a judicial order or lawfully issued subpoena.
- To appropriate officials in connection with a health or safety emergency.
- To a victim of an alleged perpetrator of a crime of violence or a non-forcible sex offense. The disclosure may only include the final results of the disciplinary proceeding with respect to that alleged crime or offense, regardless of the finding.
- To the general public, the final results of a disciplinary proceeding if the school determines the student is an alleged perpetrator of a crime of violence or non-forcible sex offense, and the student has committed a violation of the school's rules or policies with respect to the allegation made against him or her.
- To parents of a student regarding the student's violation of any Federal, State, or local law, or of any rule or policy of the school, governing the use or possession of alcohol or a controlled substance if the school determines the student committed a disciplinary violation and the student is under the age of twenty-one.

Except for disclosures to school officials, disclosures related to some judicial orders or lawfully issued subpoenas, disclosures of directory information, and disclosures to the student, FERPA regulations require the Institution to record the disclosure. Eligible students have a right to inspect and review the record of disclosures.

Additionally, FERPA allows Concorde to disclose information it has designated as "Directory Information." Concorde defines directory information as: the student's name, address(es), telephone number(s), e-mail address, birth date and place, program of study, dates of attendance, honors and awards, photographs and credential awarded. If a student does not want his or her directory information to be released to third parties without the student's consent, the student must present such a request in writing to the Academic Dean within 45 days of the student's enrollment or by such later date as the Institution may specify as acceptable. Under no circumstance may the student use the right to opt out to prevent the Institution from disclosing that student's name, electronic identifier, or institutional email address in a class in which the student is enrolled.

## Release of Personally Identifiable Information (PII)

As of January 3, 2012, the U.S. Department of Education's FERPA regulations expanded the circumstances under which a student's education records and personally identifiable information (PII) contained in such records, including his or her Social Security Number, grades, or other confidential information, may be accessed without his or her consent.

- The U.S. Comptroller General, the U.S. Attorney General, the U.S. Secretary of Education, or State and local education authorities ("Federal and State Authorities") may allow access to a student's records and PII without his or her consent to any third party designated by a Federal or State Authority to evaluate a Federal- or Statesupported education program.
  - The evaluation may relate to any program that is "principally engaged in the provision of education," such as early childhood education and job training, as well as any program that is administered by an education agency or institution.
- Federal and State Authorities may allow access to a student's education records and PII without the student's consent to researchers performing certain types of studies, in certain cases, even when Concorde objects to or does not request such research.
- Federal and State Authorities must obtain certain use-restriction and data security promises from the entities that they authorize to receive a student's PII, but the Federal and State Authorities need not maintain direct control over such entities.
- With respect to Statewide Longitudinal Data Systems, State Authorities may collect, compile, permanently retain, and share, without the student's consent, PII from his or her education records, and they may track the student's participation in education and other programs by linking such PII to other personal information about him or her that they obtain from other federal or state data sources, including workforce development, unemployment insurance, child welfare, juvenile justice, military service, and migrant student records systems.

# Students With Disabilities Policy

It is the policy of Concorde Career Colleges, Inc. (Campus), to abide by both the letter and spirit of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and its implementing regulation at 34 Code of Federal Regulations C.F.R., Part 104. Section 504 prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in programs and activities operated by recipients of federal financial assistance. Covered entities must accommodate students with reasonable academic adjustments and auxiliary aids and services that are necessary to afford an individual with a disability an equal opportunity to participate in its programs. Concorde is not required to make academic adjustments and/or provide auxiliary aids and services that would result in a fundamental alteration of its programs or impose an undue burden.

The Campus prohibits all discrimination against "qualified individuals with disabilities" as defined in Concorde's Disabilities Policy. In addition, a "qualified disabled person," with respect to postsecondary and vocational education services, is one who meets the academic and technical standards requisite to participation in the Campus's education program.

# Procedures for Requesting Academic Adjustment and/or Auxiliary Aid:

- Current students with disabilities wishing to request academic adjustments and/or auxiliary aids must contact the Campus President. The Campus President is designated as the Campus Compliance Coordinator (CCC) with respect to Section 504. A disclosure of a disability or request for adjustments and/or aids made to a faculty or staff member, other than the CCC, will not be treated as a request for an academic adjustment and/or auxiliary aid. However, if a student discloses a disability to faculty or staff, he or she is required to direct the student to the CCC.
- 2. The CCC will provide the student with an academic adjustment and/or auxiliary aid Request Form for Students With Disabilities to complete. Academic adjustments and/or auxiliary aids are available to students who provide documentation of a disability, specifically that they have an impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities.
- 3. In general, the documentation referenced should be current prior to taking entrance assessments to be accepted into a program. The documented assessments must be completed by qualified professionals in the area of disability. Documentation and sources used to evaluate the need and determine appropriate adjustments or aids may include a licensed professional's current medical diagnosis and date of diagnosis, evaluation of how the student's disability affects one or more of the major life activities and recommendations, psychological and/or emotional diagnostic tests, aptitude and achievement tests with results/reports, functional effects or limitations of the disability (physical limitations) and/or medications and recommendations, and social and cultural background and adaptive behavior. The campus reserves the right to request additional documentation as needed.

- 4. After the CCC or his or her designee receives the academic adjustment and/or auxiliary aid Request Form and the required documentation, the CCC will engage in an interactive process with the student to determine what academic adjustment(s) and/or auxiliary aid(s) are appropriate. This process will include primary consideration of the student's recommendations. It is the responsibility of the student to initiate this process by contacting the CCC and participating in the interactive process to identify appropriate academic adjustments and/or auxiliary aids. Within 10 business days, the CCC will meet with the student to discuss the appropriate reasonable academic adjustments and/or auxiliary aids needed. Primary consideration will be given to the student's requested academic adjustments and/or auxiliary aids. Any academic adjustment and/or auxiliary aid denied will include a written statement as to the basis. Whenever an academic adjustment and/or auxiliary aid is denied, the CCC will enter into an interactive communication with the requestor and discuss the need for additional documentation and/or alternate academic adjustments and/or auxiliary aids.
- 5. If the student is denied the requested adjustment or aid, he or she may file a grievance using the Grievance Procedure, or the student may file a complaint with the Office for Civil Rights.
- 6. The CCC is responsible for ensuring that approved academic adjustments and auxiliary aids are implemented in a timely manner and will be responsible for ensuring compliance of accommodations through the Academic Dean and Program Director. If students believe that the academic adjustment and/or auxiliary aid is not being implemented, they are urged to contact the CCC to discuss the matter. If not resolved, students may file a grievance using the Grievance Procedure, or the student may file a complaint with the Office for Civil Rights.

An adjustment or aid that fundamentally alters a program of instruction, conflicts with direct licensing requirements, or otherwise negates a requirement essential to the program will not be approved. A student may challenge such a determination by using the Grievance Procedure, or the student may file a complaint with the Office for Civil Rights.

### <u>Grievance Procedure Regarding</u> <u>Students With Disabilities</u>

Any complaints alleging discrimination based on one's disability, including disagreements regarding requested academic adjustments and/or auxiliary aids, may be grieved using the following procedures:

He or she should contact the Campus Compliance Coordinator (CCC) (Campus President) to file a formal grievance as soon as the student knew or

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reasonably should have known of the alleged discriminatory act or disagreement regarding academic adjustments and/or auxiliary aids.

- The CCC will assist the student in defining the grievance and will witness the student's signature on the Grievance Form.
- All grievances shall be reviewed and investigated by the Vice President of Academic Affairs. The Vice President of Academic Affairs' role shall be to investigate whether the student was discriminated based on disability by gathering all relevant information. Allegations can include, but are not limited to, harassment, failure to provide approved aids or adjustments, or a disagreement over what aids and adjustments are appropriate.
- The student shall have an opportunity to express his or her concerns with the Vice President of Academic Affairs.
- All reasonable efforts will be made to provide a written determination to the student within 30 days, which will close the charge of discrimination.
- If the student feels the alleged discriminatory act was conducted by the CCC, the student may contact the Vice President of Academic Affairs at 1-800-852-8434 to file a formal grievance at any time in the process.
- The determination made by the Vice President of Academic Affairs will be the final review for internal institutional purposes.
- A student or any member of the public may file a complaint about this Institution with the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education by calling (888) 370-7589 or by completing a complaint form, which can be obtained on the bureau's internet web site (www.bppe.ca.gov).

The campus is dedicated to protecting the rights provided to individuals with disabilities by Section 504. Federal regulations prohibit the campus from discriminating against students on the basis of disability. If a student believes that the campus has discriminated against him or her or another person on the basis of disability, the student may file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights.

The campus prohibits retaliation against persons who file complaints of discrimination or assist with or participate in a campus or government agency investigation, proceeding, or hearing concerning complaints of discrimination. Retaliation complaints may be filed separately with the Office for Civil Rights. Current or prospective students with disabilities wishing to request academic adjustments and/or auxiliary aids must contact the Campus President.

### Official Letter Grading Scale Effective for all Terms starting on or after April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Records of grades are maintained by the Registrar. Students receive letter grades at the end of each grading period (course) using the official letter grading scale. Grades are based on assignments, tests, and manipulative performance examinations given with each unit of learning. At the end of each evaluation period, the student's cumulative grade point average (CGPA) will be determined.

### Incomplete Grades

All missed exams and assignments must be complete by the last day of the current term. In rare circumstances, an "I" (incomplete) grade may be issued with the approval of the Academic Dean or the Campus President. The student will then have seven calendar days (excluding published holidays) in which to make up the missing work. A student who has a final grade of "I" and who has not made up the work by the end of this period, will receive a course grade calculated based on a grade of zero for the missing work. Any action that may result from a grade calculated on this basis (such as probation, being required to repeat the course, or withdrawal/dismissal) will be executed immediately.

When the "I" is replaced with a letter grade, Satisfactory Academic Progress will be recalculated based on the letter grade and the credits earned.

Incompletes, although a temporary grade, will be included as attempted credits.

### Course Co-Requisites

# Effective for all Terms starting on or after November 28th, 2022

Some programs require courses to be taken concurrently. These courses are identified as corequisite courses. A student who fails a lecture course will also receive a failing grade (F) for any lab or clinical course identified as a co-requisite to the failed course(s) regardless of the grade earned for the clinical/lab course. A student who fails a clinical or lab course but passes the/all co-requisite lecture course(s) is required to repeat only the failed clinical or lab course. If a course is co-requisite with one or more other courses, that requirement is listed in each course description or in the program matrix in this catalog.

## Grading Scale Key

Modifier	Description	Meaning
1	Superscripted 1 with letter grade	Course must be repeated
2	Superscripted 2 with letter grade	This course does not impact GPA but does count toward rate of progress
3	Superscripted 3 with letter grade	This course does not impact CGPA and is

		not assigned credits, attempted, or earned credit hours
N/E	In the GPA column	No effect on grade point average (GPA)

### <u>General Education Classes & Core</u> <u>Programs</u>

This is the official letter grading scale for all non-nursing general education courses and core program courses. Core program courses are those that are taught in fouror six-week modules.

Letter Grade	Numerical %	Description	GPA
A	90–100	Highly Competent	4.00
В	80-89	Fully Competent	3.00
С	70-79	Competent	2.00
F <sup>1</sup>	0-69	Not Competent	0.00
T <sup>3</sup>	N/A	Transfer of Credit	N/E
I	N/A	Incomplete	N/E
W <sup>2</sup>	N/A	Withdrawn from Course	N/E

## Clinical Program Content Courses

The official letter grading scale for technical courses in all programs taught in ten-week academic terms (except Nursing programs) is as follows:

Letter Grade	Numerical %	Description	GPA
A	90–100	Highly Competent	4.00
В	80-89	Fully Competent	3.00
С	75-79	Competent	2.00
F <sup>1</sup>	0-74	Not Competent	0.00
T <sup>3</sup>	N/A	Transfer of Credit	N/E
I	N/A	Incomplete	N/E
W <sup>2</sup>	N/A	Withdrawn from Course	N/E

### Vocational Nursing Courses

The official letter grading scale for all courses in the Vocational Nursing program is as follows:

Letter Grade	Numerical %	Description	GPA
A	93–100	Highly Competent	4.00
В	85-92	Fully Competent	3.00
С	78-84	Competent	2.00
F <sup>1</sup>	0-77	Not Competent	0.00

T <sup>3</sup>	N/A	Transfer of Credit	N/E
I	N/A	Incomplete	N/E
W <sup>2</sup>	N/A	Withdrawn from Course	N/E

# Pass/Fail Courses

The following grading scale will be used for courses identified as pass/fail. These courses do not impact CGPA, but they do count toward rate of progress and maximum time frame.

Letter Grade	Numerical %	Description	GPA
Ρ	N/A	Successful completion of a Pass/Fail course	N/E
F <sup>1,2</sup>	N/A	Failure of a Pass/Fail course	N/E
T <sup>3</sup>	N/A	Transfer of Credit	N/E
I	N/A	Incomplete	N/E
$W^2$	N/A	Withdrawn from Course	N/E

# Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy

To remain in good academic standing and maintain financial aid eligibility, students must meet the following minimum Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) standards as measured at the end of each grading and/or payment period:

- 1. Must maintain a minimum cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of 2.0.
- 2. Must maintain a rate of progress (ROP) of 66.67% or greater.
- 3. Must be able to complete the program within 150 percent of the program length (Maximum Time Frame [MTF]).

## Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA)

CGPA measures the quality of the student's work by assigning quality points to each letter grade and weighting the course by the credit hours. Only courses with earned grades required in the student's program of study are included in the CPGA calculation. In the case of repeated coursework, only the most recent attempt is counted toward the CGPA.

### Rate of Progress (ROP)

Students are required to maintain a satisfactory ROP toward successful completion of their program. ROP is defined as the credit hours completed divided by the credit hours attempted. All periods of the student's

enrollment for the current program count when assessing progress, even periods in which the student did not receive Federal Student Aid (FSA) funds.

## Maximum Time Frame (MTF)

Students must be able to successfully complete all the required course credit hours of their program within the Maximum Time Frame. To maintain SAP, the credit hours attempted cannot exceed one and one-half times (1.5) or 150 percent of the credit hours required to complete a program.

## SAP Evaluation

Each program is broken down into grading periods and payment periods. At the end of each of these periods, the student's CGPA, ROP and MTF will be evaluated. The evaluation will ensure that all aspects of Satisfactory Academic Progress are met. A student failing to maintain the minimum standards of Satisfactory Academic Progress will be notified of such and will face administrative actions. These actions include being placed on Academic Warning, Academic Probation or dismissal from the program at the end of a grading period. In addition, a student failing to maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress at the end of a payment period may be placed in a Financial Aid (FA) Warning status or Financial Aid Probation status, or the student may lose Federal Financial Aid eligibility altogether.

The outcome of SAP Evaluation is different depending on whether a student is enrolled in a Non-Term Program or a Term Based Program.

## Non-Term Programs

(Dental Assistant and Medical Assistant)

## Academic Warning

A student not meeting all aspects of Satisfactory Academic Progress (CGPA, ROP and MTF) at the end of a grading period will be placed on Academic Warning. The school will advise the student of his or her status immediately upon completion of the SAP evaluation, and, in cooperation with campus academic leadership, the student will be required to complete an Academic Success Plan (ASP).

The student will remain in Academic Warning status until; a.) the student's SAP is evaluated at the end of the upcoming grading period, is met, and the student is returned to good academic standing and Active status; or b.) the student does not meet the requirements agreed to in the Academic Success Plan created at the beginning of the grading period whereupon the student will be notified of pending dismissal from the program. A student may appeal pending dismissal in writing to the Academic Dean within 72 hours of notification. (see Satisfactory Academic Progress Appeals) A student who does not file an appeal or for whom an appeal is not granted will be academically dismissed. A student submitting a successful appeal will be placed in Academic Probation status.

# Academic Probation

A student notified of pending dismissal who submits a successful SAP Appeal will be placed in Academic Probation status. A student on Academic Probation who fails to meet the requirements of the Academic Success Plan created at the beginning of the Academic Probation grading period will be dismissed.

## Term Based Programs

(All other programs not covered in the Non-Term Programs section above)

## Academic Warning

A student not meeting all aspects of Satisfactory Academic Progress (CGPA, ROP and MTF) at the end of a grading period will be placed on Academic Warning. The school will advise the student of his or her status immediately upon completion of the SAP evaluation, and, in cooperation with campus academic leadership, the student will be required to complete an Academic Success Plan (ASP). Only one Academic Warning grading period is permitted in Term-Based Programs. If a student fails to achieve Satisfactory Academic Progress for the next grading period or for any grading period in which the student is on Academic Warning, the student will be notified of pending dismissal. To remain enrolled, the student must submit a SAP Appeal within 72 hours of notification. A student in this situation who does not file an appeal or does not receive approval for an appeal will be dismissed.

### Academic Probation

A student on Academic Warning who does not meet Satisfactory Academic Progress standards at the end of the grading period must file an appeal. If the appeal is approved, the student will be placed on Academic Probation. A student on Academic Probation who fails to achieve Satisfactory Academic Progress or who fails to meet the requirements of the Academic Success Plan at the end of the grading period will be dismissed.

# <u>All Programs</u>

## Active Status

A student on Academic Warning or Academic Probation will be returned to good standing and Active status at the end of a grading period in which all Satisfactory Academic Progress standards are met.

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## Financial Aid (FA) Warning

FA Warning will be assigned to a student not meeting Satisfactory Academic Progress standards at the end of a payment period. The school will advise the student of his or her status immediately upon completion of the SAP evaluation. A student on FA Warning may continue to receive Federal Student Aid (FSA) funds for one payment period. A student on FA Warning who achieves the minimum CGPA and rate of progress by the next payment period will be removed from FA Warning and placed back in good standing and retain his or her eligibility for FSA funds. A student who fails to meet Satisfactory Academic Progress standards after the FA Warning period will lose his or her eligibility for FSA funds unless the student's appeal is approved. The student will then be placed on FA Probation.

# Financial Aid (FA) Probation

Students on FA Warning who do not meet Satisfactory Academic Progress at the end of the payment period must submit an appeal or be dismissed. If the appeal is approved, the student will be assigned the status of FA Probation. The school will advise the student of his or her status immediately upon completion of the SAP evaluation. A student on FA Probation who fails to achieve Satisfactory Academic Progress or who fails to meet the requirements of the Academic Success Plan at the end of the payment period will be dismissed. A student on FA Probation who achieves a minimum CGPA and ROP by the next payment period will be removed from FA Probation and placed back in good standing and retain eligibility for FSA funds. A student who fails to make Satisfactory Academic Progress or fails to meet the requirements of the Academic Success Plan after the FA Probation period will lose eligibility for FSA funds.

## Academic Success Plan

At the end of every grading and/or payment period in which a student does not meet Satisfactory Academic Progress standards, campus academic staff will assist the student in creating an Academic Success Plan. The Academic Success Plan will outline, in detail, minimum academic performance standards for the student for the upcoming term. The student must acknowledge and meet the requirements of the Academic Success Plan to remain enrolled in the program.

### Satisfactory Academic Progress Appeals

A student may appeal dismissal from the program due to failure to meet SAP and/or the loss of financial aid based on mitigating circumstances.

Written appeals must include:

- A clear statement about the mitigating circumstances that caused the student to be unsuccessful and include appropriate supporting documentation of such circumstances;
- An explanation of how such mitigating circumstances contributed to the student's academic situation;
- An explanation about what has changed in the student's situation that would allow the student to attain Satisfactory Academic Progress at the next payment period; and
- An acknowledged and signed Academic Success Plan created with the assistance of campus academic staff.

If the student does not submit an appeal within 72 hours of notification, or the appeal is denied, the student will be academically dismissed.

# Notice Concerning Transferability of Credits and Credentials Earned at Our Institution

The transferability of credits you earn at Concorde Career College is at the complete discretion of an institution to which you may seek to transfer. Acceptance of any certificate, diploma or degree you earn at Concorde is also at the complete discretion of the institution to which you may seek to transfer. If the credits or certificate, diploma, or degree that you earn at this Institution are not accepted at the institution to which you seek to transfer, you may be required to repeat some or all of your coursework at that institution. For this reason, you should make certain that your attendance at this Institution will meet your educational goals. This may include contacting an institution to which you may seek to transfer after attending Concorde Career College to determine if your credits or certificate, diploma, or degree will transfer.

# Transfer of Credit to Concorde Effective: 07/05/2022

Students who formerly attended a postsecondary institution accredited by an agency as recognized by the U.S. Department of Education may be granted transfer credit for equivalent courses taken at the previous institution. Students must submit a Request for Transfer Credit as soon as possible after being enrolled at Concorde; in addition, students are responsible for having official transcript(s) from their previous institution forwarded to Concorde. To be eligible for transfer credit consideration, the following must be met:

• An official copy of the student's transcript is on file with Concorde;

- Non-General Education courses were completed within the previous 12 months, and a grade of "B" or better was earned;
  - For VN programs, non-general education courses were completed within the previous 5 years, and a grade of "B" or better was earned;
- General Education courses were completed within the last five years, and a grade of "B" or better was received;
- A copy of the catalog containing the course description, which the student enrolled under, is provided; and
- CLEP courses may be accepted if completed within the five years and have a minimum score of 60.
- AP scores may be accepted if:
  - The official College Board Assessment is received
  - The Assessment scores are within five years of the request to transfer
  - The following scores are achieved:
    - CHEM1310 (3 credits) Score of 3 or higher: Chemistry
    - CHEM1411 (3 credits) Score of 3 or higher: Chemistry
    - CHEM1421 (3 credits) Score of 3 or higher: Chemistry
    - CSCI1310 (3 credits) Score of 3 or higher: Computer Science A
    - ENGL1310 (3 credits) Score of 3 or higher: English Literature and Composition or English Language and Composition
    - ENGL1320 (3 credits) Score of 3 or higher: English Literature and Composition or English Language and Composition
    - PSYC1310 (3 credits) Score of 3 or higher: Psychology
    - MATH1310 (3 credits) Score of 3 or higher: Statistics
    - MATH1320 (3 credits) Score of 3 or higher: Statistics

Students requesting to transfer credit(s) must submit all required documentation no less than one week prior to the start of their program of study. If the Academic Affairs department determines the credits are acceptable for transfer, credit will be given for those courses, and the student will be scheduled to take only those courses needed to fulfill the requirements for graduation.

Under no circumstances does Concorde Career College grant academic credit for life experience.

This section does not apply to students withdrawn from the same Concorde campus regardless of withdrawal date. Students who receive transfer credit will have the program tuition charge prorated based upon the remaining number of credits the student must earn in order to graduate. The Business Office will make the appropriate tuition adjustment.

Concorde does not make any representation or guarantee that coursework completed at another institution will transfer to Concorde.

Students accepted into the Vocational Nursing program may be eligible for a \$250 tuition credit for previously completing related education within the last 5 years. This includes the following courses:

1. Vocational or practical nursing courses completed at a BVNPT approved vocational program.

 Registered nursing courses completed at a BRN approved RN or pre-licensure BSN program.
 Psychiatric technician courses completed at a BVNPT approved psychiatric technician program.

4. Armed services nursing courses.

5. Certified nurse assistant courses completed at a California Dept. of Public Health approved CNA training program.

6. Other courses the school determines are equivalent to courses in the program.

Students must provide official transcripts from the course to be eligible for the credit. Transcripts reflecting a "B" or better in a course or courses from programs approved by the BVNPT, BRN, or CA Dept. of Public Health, as applicable, may receive a \$250 tuition credit.

# Students From Other Concorde Career Institutes/ Colleges

Students transferring from another Concorde Career Institute/College must meet the entrance requirements in place at this school at the time of transfer. These students may be eligible to receive credit for previous courses provided that the following requirements are met:

- An official copy of the student's transcript is on file with Concorde Career College;
- Courses within a major were completed within the previous 12 months, and a grade of "C" or better was earned;
- General Education (nonscience) communications, mathematics, social science or humanities courses were completed with a grade of "C" or better; and
- General Education science (BIOL, CHEM) courses were completed within the previous ten years with a grade of "C" or better.

Students transferring from another Concorde Career school may transfer up to 75 percent of the academic credits necessary to fulfill the requirements for graduation. Students requesting to transfer credit(s) must submit all required documents prior to starting school.

If the Academic Affairs department determines the credits are acceptable for transfer, credit will be given for those courses, and the student will be scheduled to take only those courses needed to fulfill the requirements for graduation.

For courses within a major taken more than 12 months prior, the student must take a proficiency examination for both academics and practicals. Academic credit will be granted if the student scores 75 percent or better and demonstrates competencies of practical skills. The student will not be charged for the examination(s). Students requesting to transfer credit(s) must submit all required documents and/or pass any proficiency examination prior to starting school.

Under no circumstances does Concorde Career College grant academic credit for life experience.

# **Residency Requirements**

Students are required to earn a minimum of 75% of their credits/hours in residence at Concorde Career College/Institute. Therefore, the total of transfer credits and online classes cannot exceed 25% of a program's credits/hours. An exception may be made for students transferring to the same program of study at another Concorde school. Please contact the Academic Dean at the receiving school to discuss the transfer of course credits and credit for prior learning.

# Repetitions Effective: 09/13/2022

Students are required to repeat any failed course. With the exception of courses with the designation "CPSO," students will be allowed to repeat a failed course once (see the "Official Letter Grading Scale"). CPSO courses may be attempted a total of three times. Both the grade(s) for the failed course(s) and the repeated course(s) will appear on the transcript, but only the most recent grade will be used in calculating CGPA. However, the original course(s) and all repeated course credit hours are included in the maximum time frame and rate of progress calculations.

Students who fail the same CPSO course three times will be dismissed from the program. Students who fail the same non-CPSO academic course twice will be dismissed from the program.

In addition, students may only attempt a course three times. An attempt is defined as any grade earned for a

course with the exception of W7 or 7DC. A student who does not successfully pass a course on the third attempt will be dismissed from the program.

Students dismissed from a program are not eligible for readmission into the same program.

Students may incur a per credit hour fee for repeating a class(es). Students must remain active in order to be eligible for any retake fee. If a student withdraws from school, he/she will be charged the full per credit hour cost to retake a course. Please see a Financial Aid Representative to discuss your situation.

# Veterans Administration Students

The school will notify the Veterans Administration (VA) when a student receiving VA education benefits is placed on Academic Warning or Academic Probation. Students will be advised of any counseling services available to them at the school in order to resolve academic or other problems and to establish a meaningful plan for successful completion of their education or training. The school will also remind students of the counseling services and tutorial assistance benefits available through the VA. When a student has failed to maintain prescribed standards of progress, the VA will be informed promptly so that benefit payments can be discontinued in accordance with the law. The termination date assigned by the school will be the last day of the term or other evaluation period in which the student's progress became unsatisfactory. Schools that provide a period of academic warning or probation may not continue to certify a veteran or eligible person (who remains in an unsatisfactory academic status) for an indefinite period of time. The school will withdraw any student who remains in an unsatisfactory academic status for more than two successive periods and report the withdrawal to the VA. The credit hours attempted cannot exceed 1.5 times the credit hours required to complete the credit-hour program.

# Copyright Infringement

The unauthorized reproduction or distribution of copyrighted materials is prohibited. This may include but is not limited to Internet file-to-file transfer, studentto-student transfer, photocopies, or undisclosed use of copyrighted material in essays or other works created by a student. Students using copyrighted materials are required to identify the source of the material and its copyright in all school materials. Copyrighted materials can include music, pictures, books, magazines, and newspapers in all forms, including the date obtained from the Internet. In addition to any civil or criminal liabilities, any unauthorized reproduction or use of copyrighted materials is grounds for disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal from school. Anyone

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# Outside Classroom Work

Students will find the work in each program to be challenging, requiring them to maximize their time and problem-solving strategies. Students demonstrate their commitment to learning via work and time spent inside and outside the class. In addition to the time spent in class per week, students are required to spend time outside of class on reading assignments, writing assignments, practice and practical applications, and projects or other equivalent learning experiences to help them achieve the course objectives. Specific details on the outside classroom work are found in the individual course syllabi, which students receive at the beginning of each course.

# Scholastic Honesty

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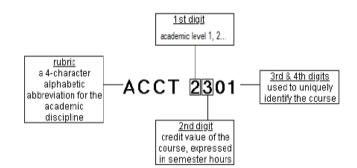
It is assumed that all students are enrolled in class to learn; therefore, cheating is not an acceptable practice. Dishonesty of any type in a course, including cheating on examinations or plagiarizing materials, can result in a grade of "F" and may be cause for suspension and/or withdrawal from school. Plagiarism includes passing off or attempting to pass off the ideas or writing of another person or any artificial intelligence (AI) as one's own. Plagiarism also includes using personal papers submitted for a prior class, a repeated class, or even work submitted at a different institution.

Students are prohibited from operating any type of audio or video recording device in a classroom, laboratory, or clinical setting without prior expressed permission from the Campus President or Academic Dean. Prohibited items include, but are not limited to: video cameras, telephones with audio or video recording capability, computers, electronic tablets, or watches with audio or video recording capability. This is not an all-inclusive list. Violations of this policy may lead to disciplinary actions up to and including dismissal from school.

# Program Course Descriptions

# Course Numbering System

Each course is identified by an alphabetic prefix. The rubric begins with a series of alphabetic characters representing the academic discipline. The first digit of the course number denotes the academic level of the course; the second digit denotes the credit value of the course in semester hours; and the remaining digit(s) establishes course sequencing and/or distinguishes the course from others of the same level, credit value, and rubric.



### BIOL1105: Anatomy & Physiology Lab

Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 0/30/0

In this live lab, the student will learn through hands-on experiments the organization of the body and the anatomy/physiology of the cells, tissues and membranes, and various body systems: Integumentary, muscular, skeletal, nervous, sensory, circulatory, cardiovascular, lymphatic, immunity, digestive, urinary, and reproductive.

#### BIOL1111: Anatomy & Physiology I VLab

Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 0/30/0

In this virtual lab, the student will learn through virtual experiments the organization of the body and the anatomy/physiology of the cells, tissues and membranes, and various body systems as correlated to the BIOL1310 Anatomy & Physiology I course content.

#### BIOL1121: Anatomy & Physiology II VLab

Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 0/30/0

In this virtual lab, the student will learn through virtual experiments various body systems as correlated to the BIOL1320 Anatomy & Physiology II course content.

#### BIOL1130: Microbiology Lab

#### Credit Hours: 1

Clock Hours: 0/30/0

In this live lab, the student will learn through hands-on experiments the structure and function of microorganisms, methods of microbial control. In addition, the specific bacterial, fungal, protozoan, viral agents of human disease will be experimented and viewed.

#### BIOL1301: Anatomy & Physiology

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 45/0/0

Students learn the structure and function of the major organ systems. This course centers on basic anatomy and physiology. Anatomy and physiology are not taught as an end in themselves but as a basis for the comprehension of the workings of the human body in health and disease. Emphasis will be placed on the diseases, skeletal and muscular systems, nervous and sensory systems, nutrition, and the cardiopulmonary system.

#### BIOL1310: Anatomy & Physiology I

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 45/0/0

This course covers the organization of the body and the anatomy and physiology of the cells, tissues and membranes and various body systems: integumentary, muscular, skeletal, nervous, sensory and endocrine. The major organs of studied systems and how they relate to the overall status of the body will be discussed.

#### BIOL1320: Anatomy & Physiology II

#### Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 45/0/0

This is the second of two courses that covers the organization of the body and the anatomy and physiology of various body systems: circulatory, cardiovascular, lymphatic, immunity, digestive, respiratory, urinary, and reproductive. The major organs of studied systems and how they relate to the overall status of the body will be discussed.

#### BIOL1330: Microbiology

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 45/0/0

In this course, students learn a branch of biology dealing with microscopic forms of life. They will learn how microorganisms on humans can be both beneficial and harmful. Students will gain insight on different viruses and how they affect humans, the environment and the future of genetics.

#### BIOL1350: Cardiopulmonary Anatomy & Physiology

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 45/0/0

This course is focused on cardiopulmonary anatomy and physiology and its impact on the body. Students study anatomic, physiologic and pharmacologic concepts of the cardiovascular and respiratory systems and will develop a systematic understanding of the position, function and interplay of structures within the respiratory, cardiovascular and renal systems.

#### CHEM1110: Chemistry Lab

Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 0/30/0

In this live lab, the student will learn through hands-on experiments the concepts of matter, mass, volume, measurement, acid/base chemistry, chemical reactions, quantitative procedures, massing, and the scientific experiment.

#### CHEM1310: Chemistry

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 45/0/0

This course covers the development and application of concepts, theories, and laws underlying chemistry. Topics in inorganic chemistry, organic chemistry, biochemistry, and properties of both ionic and covalent compounds, stoichiometry, atomic and molecular structure, the states of matter, reaction rates and equilibria.

#### COMM1310: Elements of Human Communication

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 45/0/0

Students are given the opportunity to learn and apply practical principles of human interpersonal communication in daily life. Emphasis is placed on the psychological, social, cultural, and linguistic factors that affect normal person-to-person interaction. Through practical application, this course assists the student in improving public speaking skills.

#### CPSO1001: Career Path Success A

Credit Hours: 0.5 Clock Hours: 15/0/0

In this Career Path Success course students will learn and practice many of the soft skills needed to be successful in a healthcare career. Students will explore attitudes, behaviors and communication skills expected by employers, coworkers and patients. Upon completion of this course, students will better understand the importance of time management, planning and scheduling, managing distractions, and scheduling for specialized populations. Students will also learn how to prioritize time using various methods, create personalized schedules and to-do lists, and manage distractions. The importance of critical thinking in the workplace and scheduling needs for specialized populations is examined.

#### CPSO1002: Career Path Success B

Credit Hours: 0.5 Clock Hours: 15/0/0

In this Career Path Success course students will learn and practice many of the soft skills needed to be successful in a healthcare career. Students will explore attitudes, behaviors and communication skills expected by employers, coworkers and patients. This course discusses appropriate attire as well as overall professional image for a healthcare environment. Students will examine habits that promote effective study skills as well as identify appropriate professional interactions when working with specialized populations. **Prerequisites:** 

None .

#### CPSO1003: Career Path Success C

Credit Hours: 0.5 Clock Hours: 15/0/0

In this Career Path Success course students will learn and practice many of the soft skills needed to be successful in a healthcare career. Students will explore attitudes, behaviors and communication skills expected by employers, coworkers and patients. Students in this course will explore the importance of the image conveyed through written and verbal communications as well as the impact those communications have on others. Students will explore perceptions of professionalism in the healthcare environment as well as identify basics of financial literacy including budgeting, spending habits and saving.

#### CPSO1004: Career Path Success D

Credit Hours: 0.5 Clock Hours: 15/0/0

In this Career Path Success course students will learn and practice many of the soft skills needed to be successful in a healthcare career. Students will explore attitudes, behaviors and communication skills expected by employers, coworkers and patients. In this course students will learn to nurture appropriate and effective co-worker relationships including the importance of protecting confidentiality of patients and co-workers. Students will learn to work effectively in teams in the healthcare environment as well as how to locate potential externship and employment opportunities. Conflict in the healthcare environment is discussed as well as methods of managing and resolving conflict. Basic skills for recognizing illegal drug use are presented and students will understand and be able to appropriately respond to triggers for special needs patients.

#### CPSO1005: Career Path Success E

Credit Hours: 0.5 Clock Hours: 15/0/0

In this Career Path Success course students will learn and practice many of the soft skills needed to be successful in a healthcare career. Students will explore attitudes, behaviors and communication skills expected by employers, coworkers and patients. Students will learn why developing good people skills is beneficial in a healthcare environment as well as the necessity of embracing diversity when working with patients and others. The importance of taking responsibility for one's own actions is examined as well as the process for creating an effective resume and the steps necessary for a successful job search.

#### CPSO1006: Career Path Success F

Credit Hours: 0.5 Clock Hours: 15/0/0

In this Career Path Success course students will learn and practice many of the soft skills needed to be successful in a healthcare career. Students will explore attitudes, behaviors and communication skills expected by employers, coworkers and patients. In this course students will examine the healthcare job market and identify effective interviewing techniques, interviewer perceptions, as well as interview follow-up. Students will also examine unique situations relating to the elderly and terminally ill.

#### CPSO1011: Career Path Success A

#### Credit Hours: 0.5

Clock Hours: 15/0/0 (Theory 15) (Online 15)

In this Career Path Success course students will learn and practice many of the soft skills needed to be successful in a healthcare career. Students will explore attitudes, behaviors and communication skills expected by employers, coworkers and patients. Upon completion of this course, students will better understand the importance of time management, planning and scheduling, and managing distractions. Students will also learn how to prioritize time using various methods, as well as create personalized schedules and to-do lists. Students will discuss study skills and learn how to form effective study habits. The importance of critical thinking in the healthcare field will also be examined.

Prerequisites: None

#### CPSO1012: Career Path Success B

#### Credit Hours: 0.5 Clock Hours: 15/0/0 (Theory 15) (Online 15)

In this Career Path Success course students will learn and practice many of the soft skills needed to be successful in a healthcare career. Students will explore attitudes, behaviors and communication skills expected by employers, coworkers and patients. This course discusses appropriate attire as well as overall professional image for a healthcare environment. Students will explore attitudes, behaviors and communication skills expected by employers, coworkers and patients. Students in this course will explore the importance of the image conveyed through written and verbal communications as well as the impact those communications have on others. **Prerequisites:** None

#### CPSO1013: Career Path Success C

Credit Hours: 0.5 Clock Hours: 15

In this Career Path Success course students will learn and practice many of the soft skills needed to be successful in a healthcare career. Students will as identify basics of financial literacy including budgeting, spending habits and saving. Students will explore ideas about loan repayment and gain understand of loan interest. Students will also learn about teamwork and conflict resolution in the workplace, as well as explore the idea of drug use and how healthcare providers can identify signs of drug use.

#### **Prerequisites:**

None

#### CPSO1014: Career Path Success D

#### Credit Hours: 0.5 Clock Hours: 15

In this Career Path Success course students will learn and practice many of the soft skills needed to be successful in a healthcare career. Students will learn about helpful tips for short- and long-term career planning, as well as accountability in the workplace. Students will learn how to locate potential externship and employment opportunities. Additionally, students will practice creating a resume, discuss important interview tips, and learn about the importance of interview follow-up.

Prerequisites:

None

#### CPSO1015: Career Path Success E

Credit Hours: 0.5 Clock Hours: 15/0/0 (Theory 15) (Online 15)

In the Career Path Success courses students will learn and practice many of the soft skills needed to be successful in a healthcare career. Students will learn about confidentiality in healthcare, specifically investigating the Healthcare Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). Students will learn why developing good people skills is beneficial in a healthcare environment as well as the necessity of embracing diversity when working with patients and others. Additionally, students will reflect on the importance of volunteering and community service. **Prerequisites:** 

None

#### CPSO1016: Career Path Success F

Credit Hours: 0.5 Clock Hours: 15

In the Career Path Success courses students will learn and practice many of the soft skills needed to be successful in a healthcare career. Students will investigate a variety of topics related to serving specialized populations in healthcare. Students will examine unique situations relating to the elderly and terminally ill, as well as homeless patients, patients with autism, and other groups with unique healthcare needs. **Prerequisites:** None

#### CPSO1021: Career Path Success A

Credit Hours: 0.5 Clock Hours: 15

In this Career Path Success course students will learn and practice many of the soft skills needed to be successful in a healthcare career. Students will explore attitudes, behaviors and communication skills expected by employers, coworkers and patients. Upon completion of this course, students will better understand the importance of time management, planning and scheduling, and managing distractions. Students will also learn how to prioritize time using various methods, as well as create personalized schedules and to-do lists. Students will discuss study skills and learn how to form effective study habits. The importance of critical thinking in the healthcare field will also be examined.

Prerequisites: None

#### CPSO1022: Career Path Success B

Credit Hours: 0.5 Clock Hours: 15

In this Career Path Success course students will learn and practice many of the soft skills needed to be successful in a healthcare career. Students will explore attitudes, behaviors and communication skills expected by employers, coworkers and patients. This course discusses appropriate attire as well as overall professional image for a healthcare environment. Students will explore attitudes, behaviors and communication skills expected by employers, coworkers and patients. Students in this course will explore the importance of the image conveyed through written and verbal communications as well as the impact those communications have on others. **Prerequisites:** None

#### CPSO1023: Career Path Success C

Credit Hours: 0.5 Clock Hours: 15

In this Career Path Success course students will learn and practice many of the soft skills needed to be successful in a healthcare career. Students will as identify basics of financial literacy including budgeting, spending habits and saving. Students will explore ideas about loan repayment and gain understand of loan interest. Students will also learn about teamwork and conflict resolution in the workplace, as well as explore the idea of drug use and how healthcare providers can identify signs of drug use.

#### **Prerequisites:**

None

#### CPSO1024: Career Path Success D

#### Credit Hours: 0.5 Clock Hours: 15

In this Career Path Success course students will learn and practice many of the soft skills needed to be successful in a healthcare career. Students will learn about helpful tips for short- and long-term career planning, as well as accountability in the workplace. Students will learn how to locate potential externship and employment opportunities. Additionally, students will practice creating a resume, discuss important interview tips, and learn about the importance of interview follow-up.

Prerequisites:

None

#### CPSO1025: Career Path Success E

Credit Hours: 0.5 Clock Hours: 15

In the Career Path Success courses students will learn and practice many of the soft skills needed to be successful in a healthcare career. Students will learn about confidentiality in healthcare, specifically investigating the Healthcare Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). Students will learn why developing good people skills is beneficial in a healthcare environment as well as the necessity of embracing diversity when working with patients and others. Additionally, students will reflect on the importance of volunteering and community service. **Prerequisites:** 

None

#### CPSO1026: Career Path Success F

Credit Hours: 0.5 Clock Hours: 15

In the Career Path Success courses students will learn and practice many of the soft skills needed to be successful in a healthcare career. Students will investigate a variety of topics related to serving specialized populations in healthcare. Students will examine unique situations relating to the elderly and terminally ill, as well as homeless patients, patients with autism, and other groups with unique healthcare needs. **Prerequisites:** None

#### CPSO1101: Career Path Success 1

Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 30/0/0

In this Career Path Success course students will learn and practice many of the essential skills needed to be successful in a healthcare career. Students will explore attitudes, behaviors and communication skills expected by employers, coworkers and patients. Upon completion of this course, students will better understand the importance of time management, planning and scheduling, and managing distractions. Students will learn how to prioritize time using various methods, as well as create personalized schedules and to-do lists. Students will discuss study skills and learn how to form effective study habits. The importance of critical thinking in the healthcare field will also be examined. Students will understand appropriate attire as well as overall professional image for a healthcare environment. Lastly, students will learn about confidentiality in healthcare, specifically investigating the Healthcare Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

#### CPSO1102: Career Path Success 2

Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 30/0/0

In this Career Path Success course students will learn and practice many of the essential skills needed to be successful in a healthcare career. Students will learn about teamwork and the importance of conflict resolution. Students will also demonstrate an understanding of effective communication in the workplace. Students will learn the importance of identifying drug use and the impact of drug use on the individual. Students will also identify basics of financial literacy including budgeting, spending habits and saving. Students will explore ideas about loan repayment and gain understand of loan interest. Students will also learn about patients with autism.

#### CPSO1103: Career Path Success 3

Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 30/0/0

In this series of three courses that make up the Career Path Success program, students will learn and practice the essential skills needed for successful employment in the healthcare community. Students will explore attitudes, behaviors and communication skills expected by employers, coworkers and patients. Students will learn the importance of working with specialized populations & under served populations. Students will prepare resumes, practice interview skills, understand the importance of interview follow-up, and be introduced to financial literacy concepts. Through self examination and experiential exercises students will improve their interactions with others and be more prepared for the professional workforce.

#### CRST1123: Sterile Processing I

#### Credit Hours: 1.5 Clock Hours: 36/0/0

This course is designed to provide a comprehensive introduction into the field of sterile processing with insight and overview of the Sterile Processing (SP) department and its technicians. Major subjects covered include Introduction to Sterile Processing Foundations, Anatomy, Microbiology, Point of Use, Decontamination, Disinfection, Surgical and Instruments, regulations and standards, the role of CS in ancillary departments, and success through communication. Related medical/ surgical terminology is integrated throughout the course.

#### CRST1133: Sterile Processing II

Credit Hours: 1.5 Clock Hours: 36/0/0

This course is a continuation of CRST1123 Sterile Processing I. It is designed to provide a comprehensive introduction into the field of sterile processing with insight and overview of the Central Service (CS) department and its technicians. Major subjects covered include processing high and low temperature sterilization, sterile storage, transport, monitoring, ancillary departments, safety, communication and professional development. Related medical/surgical terminology is integrated throughout the course.

#### CRST1244: Sterile Processing Externship

Credit Hours: 2 Clock Hours: 0/0/80

This course presents students with the opportunity to gain practical experience in a sterile processing work environment. Students will build confidence, skill and competence in the field while honing the skills learned in the classroom.

#### CSCI1310: Computer Science

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 45/0/0

This course provides a fundamental explanation of the procedures to utilize hardware and software. The student will explore and practice functions in Windows® operating system, computer software applications, the Internet, hardware basics and network systems. Students will practice essential word processing and spreadsheet skills for the creation and editing of typical documents.

#### **DH104: Dental Materials**

#### Credit Hours: 2

**Clock Hours:** 15/30/0

This course is designed to introduce the dental hygienist to a variety of dental materials used in the dental office. It focuses on history, composition, properties, and uses of materials, as well as techniques of manipulation and how this assists the hygienist in a professional capacity. This course enhances the ability of the student to make judgments in a clinic or office regarding the use of dental materials with consideration of how they react in the oral cavity.

#### DNTA1324: Infection Control

Credit Hours: 3.5 Clock Hours: 55/40/0

This infection control course equips dental assistants with essential skills for maintaining a safe dental practice. Topics include the role of a dental assistant, microbiology, disease transmission, sterilization, and healthcare regulations. Empower yourself with critical thinking, effective study techniques, and time management strategies to ensure a hygienic and efficient practice.

# DNTA1331: Introduction to Dental Assisting and Dental Terminology

#### Credit Hours: 3

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 80 (Theory 40, Lab 40) (Ground 40, Online

 Hours:
 40)

Basic dental principles and infection control practices will be presented with a focus on an introduction to dentistry, dental assisting and dental team roles. Additionally, the course will cover basic dental science.

#### **DNTA1333: Dental Specialties**

#### Credit Hours: 3

 Clock
 80 (Theory 40, Lab 40) (Ground 40, Online

 Hours:
 40)

Dental specialties will be presented with a focus on discussion on patient populations. Additionally, the course will apply dental assisting skills with specialized patient populations and procedures.

#### DNTA1335: Materials and Procedures

#### Credit Hours: 3

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 80 (Theory 40, Lab 40) (Ground 40, Online

 Hours:
 40)

Dental material science and theory will be presented with a focus on common dental materials. Additionally, the course will cover application of dental assisting skills in the use of dental materials in dental procedures.

#### DNTA1337: Patient Care and Management

#### Credit Hours: 3

 Clock
 80 (Theory 40, Lab 40) (Ground 40, Online

 Hours:
 40)

Basic principles and ethical decision making skills and a legal overview of dentistry will be discussed and all aspects of dental care delivery in offices including business practices and communication skills. Additionally, the course will cover basic marketing skills for dental assistants.

#### DNTA1339: Diagnostics and Orthodontics

#### Credit Hours: 3

 Clock
 80 (Theory 40, Lab 40) (Ground 40, Online

 Hours:
 40)

Diagnostic and assessment procedures will be presented including basic pharmacology and emergency procedure principles. Additionally, the course will cover dental charting and orthodontics.

#### DNTA1341: Dental Radiology

#### Credit Hours: 3

 Clock
 80 (Theory 40, Lab 40) (Ground 40, Online

 Hours:
 40)

Basic radiology principles and practices will be presented with a focus on radiology theory and safety. Additionally, the course will teach exposure and mounting of radiographs.

#### DNTA1343: Additional Duties of the Dental Assistant I

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 80

Dental terminology and infection control practices will be presented with a focus on an introduction to dentistry, dental assisting and dental team roles. Students will gain knowledge and skills to perform intraoral and extraoral radiography. Students will demonstrate ability to perform coronal polishing, sealants and fluoride application. Students will acquire knowledge of nitrous oxide safety and administration to perform as expanded duties.

Prerequisites: DNTA1341

#### DNTA1345: Additional Duties of the Dental Assistant II

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 80

Dental terminology and infection control practices will be presented with a focus on an introduction to expanded duties and regulations. Students will demonstrate knowledge and competency in the Dental Practice Act, endodontic therapy, ultrasonic scalers, caries detection and vital signs equipment in relation to expanded duties.

Prerequisites:

DNTA1341

#### DNTA1347: Externship

#### Credit Hours: 3.5

Clock160 (Ground Minimum 125, OnlineHours:Maximum 35)

This course is an integral aspect of the learning experience for the student. The student is assigned to a professional dental facility to gain the everyday practical and clinical experiences in the duties and functions of a Dental Assistant and Registered Dental Assistant. Students apply their educational training in the clinical environment.

#### Prerequisites:

DNTA1331, DNTA1333, DNTA1335, DNTA1337, DNTA1339, DNTA1341, DNTA1343, DNTA1345

#### DNTA1354: Dental Specialties

Credit Hours: 3.5 Clock Hours: 55/40/0

Explore Dental Specialties in our comprehensive course. Master dentitions, identify professional dental assistant characteristics, and understand tooth morphology. Delve into fixed prosthodontics, provisional coverage, removable prosthodontics, dental implants, endodontics, periodontal examination, oral/ maxillofacial surgery, pediatric dentistry, and orthodontics. Refine communication skills, professionalism, and awareness of drug use and suicide.

#### DNTA1364: Materials & Instruments

Credit Hours: 3.5 Clock Hours: 55/40/0

Materials and Instruments is designed to provide students with a deep understanding of the operations within a dental office and the critical aspects of delivering high-quality dental care. The curriculum covers a wide range of topics, ensuring that participants gain the necessary knowledge and skills to excel in the field of dentistry. This course also explores the advantages of honing people skills, emphasizes the importance of diversity in patient and colleague interactions, and provides essential knowledge on crafting effective applications and resumes.

#### DNTA1374: Business Operations and Emergencies

Credit Hours: 3.5 Clock Hours: 55/40/0

Within Business Operations and Emergencies, you will learn about the history of dentistry, the dental healthcare team, and the rules and ethics in the field. There will be a focus on communication, business skills, and marketing. You'll gain knowledge in oral anatomy, patient care, and how to handle special cases and medical emergencies. You will also learn to master effective interviewing techniques and understand the significance of responsible action and follow-up.

#### **DNTA1384: Preventive Dentistry**

#### Credit Hours: 3.5 Clock Hours: 55/40/0

Preventive Dentistry equips students with a comprehensive understanding of dental health. Topics include general anatomy, oral embryology, dentition, oral public health, nutrition, periodontal diseases, coronal polishing, dental caries, sealants, oral pathologies, pharmacology, and anesthesia. You will also delve into financial literacy, responsible borrowing, patient care for autism spectrum disorder, and workplace communication best practices.

#### DNTA1394: Radiation Safety

Credit Hours: 3.5 Clock Hours: 55/40/0

Radiation Safety in Dentistry provides a comprehensive exploration of dental radiography, focusing on head and neck anatomy, oral cavity landmarks, and dentitions. Delve into digital imaging techniques, dental film processing, and radiographic equipment foundations. Navigate intraoral and extraoral imaging, emphasizing legal considerations, quality assurance, infection prevention, and HIPAA confidentiality. Cultivate professionalism, effective communication, and networking skills that are vital for dental assistants.

### DNTA2324: RDA Radiation Safety & Coronal Polishing

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 40/40/0

This comprehensive dental assisting course delves into the critical aspects of RDA (Registered Dental Assistant) responsibilities, focusing on Radiation Safety and Coronal Polishing. Through a combination of theoretical knowledge and practical skills development, participants will gain a deep understanding of microbiology, disease transmission, infection prevention, and various essential components of dental care.

# DNTA2334: RDA Radiation Safety & Pit and Fissure Sealants

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 40/40/0

The RDA Radiation Safety & Pit and Fissure Sealants course focuses on two crucial aspects of dental care: Radiation Safety and the application of Pit and Fissure Sealants. With a blend of theoretical understanding and hands-on training, participants will review essential topics in microbiology, disease transmission, infection prevention, and dental hygiene techniques.

#### ENGL1310: English Composition I

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 45/0/0

Students will apply the principles and techniques of written, expository and persuasive composition; analysis of literary, expository and persuasive texts; and critical thinking.

#### HPRS1313: Healthcare Concepts

#### Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 64/0/0

This course is designed to provide an introduction to the healthcare environment. Students will cover common Medical Terminology and Anatomy and Physiology used in the heal Support (BLS) certification.

#### HPRS1320: Foundations for Health Professionals

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 45/0/0

In Foundations for Health Professions, students will learn how medical terminology is constructed, common suffixes and prefixes, and a summary view of the various body systems and their combining forms in preparation for more in-depth study in anatomy and physiology. They will also get an overview of various learning styles and study tactics that work best with each learning style.

#### MATH1310: Contemporary Mathematics

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 45/0/0

In this course, students will learn the theory and application of number sets, logic, numeration systems, number theory and sequencing, equations-inequalities and problem solving, functions and graphs, abstract mathematical systems, probability, and statistics.

#### MATH1320: College Algebra

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 45/0/0

Students study quadratics; polynomial, rational, logarithmic, and exponential functions; systems of equations; progressions; sequences and series; and matrices and determinants.

#### MDCA1201: Externship I

Credit Hours: 2.5

Clock115 (Ground Minimum 80, Online MaximumHours:35)

Students in this course will perform clinical and administrative medical assistant functions in a healthcare facility. Students will be supervised and evaluated on skills acquired in the program content courses. Students may perform phlebotomy, injections, patient record maintenance, vital sign measurement, patient exam preparation, and/or other medical assistant duties as assigned by the physician, on-site supervisor, or externship coordinator.

#### MDCA1202: Externship II

#### Credit Hours: 2.5

Clock115 (Ground Minimum 80, Online MaximumHours:35)

Students in this course will develop a more thorough understanding of the role of a medical assistant in a healthcare facility. Clinical and administrative medical assistant functions are expected to be performed with greater skill, professionalism and understanding. Students will continue to be supervised and evaluated on skills acquired in the program content courses and should have a better awareness of why, how, and when the skills are performed. Students may perform phlebotomy, injections, patient record maintenance, vital sign measurement, patient exam preparation, and/ or other medical assistant duties as assigned by the physician, on-site supervisor, or externship coordinator.

#### MDCA1312: Medical Assisting A

#### Credit Hours: 3

 Clock
 80 (Theory 40, Lab 40) (Ground 40, Online

 Hours:
 40)

Students in this course will practice various administrative skills including scheduling appointments. They will learn medical terms, anatomy & physiology, and common diseases and disorders of the skeletal, integumentary and muscular body systems. They will practice keyboarding, apply positive communication skills, practice diagnostic procedures and perform vital sign procedures. They will learn first aid, rehabilitative procedures, the role of the medical assistant in the health community, and team member responsibilities. **Prerequisites:** 

None

#### MDCA1313: General Patient Care, Skeletal and Muscular Systems

Credit Hours: 3.5 Clock Hours: 55/40/0

This course will provide an overview of the medical terminology, diseases, and disorders of the skeletal, muscular, integumentary systems. Students will explore the anatomy and physiology of each system along with learning the diagnostic procedures and various treatment resolutions. They will gain an understanding of medical asepsis, first aid and rehabilitative procedures. They will also learn and engage in role playing ethical behaviors and positive communication styles. Students will learn how to apply their critical thinking and clinical skills to prepare them for work in a professional healthcare setting and in the community. In addition, students will learn essential skills in teamwork, effective communication, conflict resolution, and how to recognize signs of drug use.

#### MDCA1322: Medical Assisting B

#### Credit Hours: 3

 Clock
 80 (Theory 40, Lab 40) (Ground 40, Online

 Hours:
 40)

Students in this course will practice various administrative skills. They will learn medical terms, anatomy & physiology, and common diseases and disorders of the nervous, senses and respiratory body systems. They will practice keyboarding, apply positive communication skills, practice diagnostic procedures and perform vital sign procedures.

#### Prerequisites:

None

#### MDCA1323: Medical Ethics, Nervous and Sensory Systems

Credit Hours: 3.5 Clock Hours: 55/40/0

This course will provide the basic concepts related to medical terminology, anatomy and physiology, medical ethics, and the nervous and sensory systems. Students will apply positive communication skills, practice diagnostic procedures, perform vital sign procedures, and First Aid CPR. They will learn how to apply critical thinking and clinical skills to prepare them to work in a professional healthcare setting. In addition, students will learn essential skills in time management, planning and scheduling, study skills, critical thinking and learning preferences.

#### MDCA1332: Medical Assisting C

Credit Hours: 3 Clock 80 (Theory 40

 Clock
 80 (Theory 40, Lab 40) (Ground 40, Online

 Hours:
 40)

Students in this course will practice various administrative skills. They will learn medical terms, anatomy & physiology, and common diseases and disorders of the urinary, reproductive and digestive body systems. They will practice keyboarding, apply positive communication skills, practice diagnostic procedures and perform vital sign procedures. **Prerequisites:** 

None

# MDCA1333: Office Procedures, Digestive and Reproductive Systems

Credit Hours: 3.5 Clock Hours: 55/40/0

This course provides the basic concepts related to medical terminology, anatomy and physiology, and common medical assisting practices and disorders associated with the digestive and reproductive systems. You explore procedures for conducting diagnostic and laboratory testing related to digestive and reproductive systems. Completion of this course enhances your positive communication skills and allows you to develop an understanding of medical assisting administrative skills including HIPAA and scheduling. You also learn the uses of electronic medical records. In addition, students will learn essential skills in professionalism and portraying a professional image, professional relationships, and confidentiality.

#### MDCA1342: Medical Assisting D

Credit Hours: 3 Clock 80 (Theory 40, Lab 40) (Ground 40, Online Hours: 40)

Students in this course will practice various administrative skills. They will learn medical terms, anatomy & physiology, and common diseases and disorders of the endocrine, immune/lymphatic, and circulatory/ cardiovascular body systems. They will practice keyboarding, apply positive communication skills, practice diagnostic procedures and perform vital sign procedures.

**Prerequisites**: None

#### MDCA1343: Endocrine, Cardiology, and Professional Communication

#### Credit Hours: 3.5 Clock Hours: 55/40/0

The course introduces you to the basic concepts related to medical terminology, anatomy and physiology, and common medical assisting practices and disorders associated with the endocrine, immune/ lymphatic, and circulatory/cardiovascular systems. You explore the medical assistant's role in diagnostic procedures and demonstrate the professional communication required in a medical office. In addition, students will learn essential skills in professional courtesy and respect in healthcare, generational diversity, cultural awareness, transgender community awareness, and completing an application and resume.

#### MDCA1352: Medical Assisting E

#### Credit Hours: 3

 Clock
 80 (Theory 40, Lab 40) (Ground 40, Online

 Hours:
 40)

Students in this course will practice various administrative skills. Students learn about the clinical laboratory and the associated safety and regulatory guidelines. They explore basic microbiology and hematology and practice using a microscope. They learn the proper procedures for collecting, processing, and testing urine specimens. Students perform venipuncture and capillary puncture. They will practice keyboarding, apply positive communication skills, practice diagnostic procedures and perform vital sign procedures.

#### Prerequisites:

None

#### MDCA1353: Diagnostic Procedures, Hematology, Urinary System & Medical Billing

Credit Hours: 3.5 Clock Hours: 55/40/0

The course introduces various administrative skills and medical billing. Students will learn medical terminology, anatomy & physiology, and common diseases and disorders of the urinary body system. They learn about the clinical laboratory and the associated safety and regulatory guidelines. They explore diagnostic procedures to include the collection, processing, and testing of blood (venipuncture and capillary punctures) and urine specimens as related to basic hematology and microbiology used in the physician's office laboratory. Students will apply positive communication skills and perform vital sign procedures. In addition, students will learn essential skills in financial literacy, working with patients with Autism Spectrum Disorder, and effective communication in the workplace.

#### MDCA1362: Medical Assisting F

#### Credit Hours: 3

 Clock
 80 (Theory 40, Lab 40) (Ground 40, Online

 Hours:
 40)

Students in this course will practice various administrative skills. Students perform intradermal, subcutaneous, and intramuscular injections, calculate medication dosages, and administer medication. They will practice keyboarding, apply positive communication skills, practice diagnostic procedures and perform vital sign procedures. **Prerequisites:** 

None

#### MDCA1363: Pharmacology, Health Insurance and Respiratory System

Credit Hours: 3.5 Clock Hours: 55/40/0

The course introduces the student to the basic concepts related to medical terminology, anatomy and physiology, and common medical assisting practices and disorders associated with the respiratory system. Students will perform intradermal, subcutaneous, and intramuscular injections, calculate medication dosages, measure, and administer medication. During the course, the student will practice taking vital signs, diagnostic and procedural coding, explore administrative duties, examine financial management, and apply positive communication skills for the office environment. In addition, students will learn essential skills in serving specialized populations in healthcare, understanding healthcare for underserved populations, planning for a career, and interviews and follow-up communication.

#### MDCA1573: Externship

Credit Hours: 5 Clock Hours: 0/0/225

Students perform medical assistant functions in a medical facility. They are supervised and evaluated on skills acquired in the program content courses. Students perform phlebotomy, injections, patient record maintenance, vital sign measurement, patient exam preparation, and other medical assistant duties as assigned by the physician, on-site supervisor, or extern coordinator.

Prerequisites: MDCA1312-MDCA1362; All CPSO courses

#### NDTP1210: Evoked Potentials

Credit Hours: 2 Clock Hours: 15/30/0

Students learn the application/evaluation of evoked potential testing, emphasizing the Brainstem Auditory Evoked Responses (BAER), Visual Evoked Responses (VER), and SomatoSensory Evoked Responses (SSEP) studies, and intraoperative monitoring (IONM). The Evoked Potentials class lab component includes the use of appropriate instrumentation, signal averaging, amplifiers, filter settings, electrode placement, patient assessment, stimulation settings, and clinical correlation to the disease process.

Prerequisites: NDTP1310

#### NDTP1220: Nerve Conduction Velocities

Credit Hours: 2 Clock Hours: 15/30/0

Students are familiarized with nerve conduction velocity study techniques and methods. The lab component for this class includes electrode placement, patient assessment, electromyography, amplifiers, filter settings, stimulator settings, and clinical correlation to the disease process.

Prerequisites: NDTP1310

#### NDTP1310: Neuroanatomy & Physiology

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 30/30/0

Students study, examine and dissect the brain, spine and the central nervous system. Primary emphasis will be placed on the clinical correlation of END procedures with the neuroanatomical and physiological aspects.

#### NDTP1320: Pharmacology for Health Careers

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 45/0/0

This course provides a study of drug classifications, actions, therapeutic uses, adverse effects, methods of administration, client education, and calculation of dosages.

#### NDTP1335: NDT Clinical Experience I

Credit Hours: 3.5 Clock Hours: 0/0/160

Provides employment-like atmosphere at a clinical site with health-related, work-based experience that enables students to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts within the field. Direct supervision is provided by clinical professional.

#### NDTP1610: Neurodiagnostics I

Credit Hours: 6 Clock Hours: 50/80/0

This course covers basic electroencephalography. Students are introduced to basic rhythms with appropriate frequency ranges, amplitudes, morphology, and clinical significance. Theory and application of electrical concepts, recording techniques, and data analysis are introduced as well as descriptions of the analog and digital recording systems including power supply, electrodes, differential amplifier concepts, filters (high, low and 60-Hz), electrical safety, input and output, sensitivity, calibration, and the established standards for clinical electroencephalographs. Lab emphasizes patient hook-up, history taking, handling of patients, instrumentation, pattern recognition, activation procedures, artifacts, safety, OSHA, JCAHO, CoA NDT, CPR, infection control, disaster plans, policy and procedure manuals, chemical use and storage, and clinical correlation of the EEG findings in the neurological disease process. Students become familiar with medical terminology, including specific neurodiagnostic verbiage and interpretation of patient medical record documentation, and special EEG procedures.

#### NDTP2211: Capstone-International Board Preparation

Credit Hours: 2 Clock Hours: 30/0/0

This course emphasizes preparation for the national registry exam in EEG. An oral/practical exam and comprehensive exams are completed. The course prepares NDT students to be successful and productive members of the allied health workforce. This course encompasses a variety of professional skills and concepts, completes the documentation to participate in final preparations for certification by ABRET, and examines employability skills. Students present and discuss case studies. Course content includes the international boards.

#### NDTP2310: Neurodiagnostics II

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 35/20/0

This course offers deeper insight into neurodiagnostics. Students study normal and abnormal functional neuroanatomical and physiological correlation to various illnesses and neurological disease processes, disorders, and integration of the electroencephalographic patterns. Students learn maturational patterns from neonate to geriatric. In the lab, students learn about various techniques for routine and advanced studies for specific diagnosis such as special electrode applications and montage variations, with use of various filters and settings on NDT machines. Medication and its effects on NDT procedures will also be studied. **Prerequisites:** NDTP1610

#### NDTP2715: NDT Clinical Experience II

Credit Hours: 7 Clock Hours: 0/0/320

This course builds on the clinical skills acquired in the previous NDT Clinical Experience I course. This healthrelated, work-based learning experience enables students to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts within the field. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional. **Prerequisites:** 

NDTP1335

#### PHIL1310: Critical Thinking

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 45/0/0

Students will learn how to enhance and refine both their cognitive and affective performance. The course will analyze the role of the learner and the purpose of education. It will assist students in developing the systematic information processing, critical thinking, reading, and study strategies needed for success as life-long learners.

#### PNVN1111: Personal & Vocational Concepts

Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 25/0/0

This course introduces the student to nursing history and trends, quality improvement processes and nursing ethics. Multidisciplinary relationships in health care, including the role of the practical and professional nurse, and legal aspects of nursing are also discussed.

#### **PNVN1150: Transitions to Practice**

Credit Hours: 1.5 Clock Hours: 40/0/0

This course facilitates the transition of students to the role of the practical nurse within the healthcare system. Focus is placed on theories of leadership and supervision, emergency preparedness, professional development, and transition to practice are synthesized. Standards of safe practice and the significance of functioning according to state regulations and statutes are analyzed. Students will participate in a comprehensive NCLEX-PN® review and prepare to take the national licensure examination.

#### PNVN1319: Clinical Practice I

#### Credit Hours: 3.5 Clock Hours: 0/100/0

This course provides the student with the opportunity to learn and practice basic nursing skills. Safety as a key element in care is introduced. The nursing process is integrated within all components of skill practice. Nursing skills included are data collection, documentation, basic skills, Activities of Daily Living (ADL) skills, standard precautions, skin care, and asepsis. Students practice medication administration skills in the lab environment. Basic Life Support certification (BCLS) protocol and skills are provided.

#### PNVN1350: Family Health Nursing

#### Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 66

This course focuses on psychosocial and physiological integrity of the maternal and pediatric client using the nursing process. Emphasis is placed on the multidisciplinary care of patients with alterations in selected women's and family health situations. This course will prepare students for clinical learning experiences through the application of theoretical concepts and the implementation of safe nursing practices to patients in various healthcare settings.

#### PNVN1521 : Introduction to Medical-Surgical Nursing

Credit Hours: 5.5 Clock Hours: 124

This course focuses on nutrition, psychosocial and physiological integrity while providing client centered care of adults. Using the nursing process, students will study the multidisciplinary care for clients with medical surgical conditions. Consideration of clients with integumentary system alterations will also be discussed. Discussion will include human growth and development, health promotion and health education across the lifespan. This course will prepare students for clinical learning experiences through the application of theoretical concepts and the implementation of safe nursing practices to clients in various healthcare settings.

#### PNVN1541: Medical-Surgical Nursing II

#### Credit Hours: 5 Clock Hours: 111/0/0

This course focuses on psychosocial and physiological integrity and providing client centered care across the lifespan. Students will differentiate multidisciplinary care for clients with medical surgical health alterations using the nursing process. Emphasis is placed on the care of clients with alterations in gastrointestinal, neurological, reproductive, endocrine systems and immuno-oncology. Community health nursing is introduced. This course will prepare students for clinical learning experiences through the application of theoretical concepts and the implementation of safe nursing practices to clients in various healthcare settings.

#### PNVN1631: Medical-Surgical Nursing I Credit Hours: 6.5 Clock Hours: 141/0/0

This course focuses on psychosocial and physiological integrity and providing client centered care across the lifespan. Students will review multidisciplinary care for clients with medical surgical health alterations using the nursing process. Emphasis is placed on the care of clients with alterations in cardiac, respiratory, genitourinary, musculo-skeletal systems as well as concepts of growth and development. This course will prepare students for clinical learning experiences through the application of theoretical concepts and the implementation of safe nursing practices to clients in various healthcare settings.

#### PNVN1729: Clinical Practice II

Credit Hours: 7.5 Clock Hours: 0/24/196

This course provides the student with the opportunity to practice basic nursing skills with clients in the clinical setting utilizing the nursing process. The student will apply knowledge learned in the classroom, the skills laboratory and in clinical settings with related client assignments. Clinical learning experiences provide opportunity to apply theoretical concepts, promote client centered health and wellness, and implement safe care to clients in a variety of settings across the lifespan.

#### PNVN1739: Clinical Practice III

#### Credit Hours: 7 Clock Hours: 0/24/176

This course provides the student with the opportunity to practice nursing skills with clients who have chronic medical surgical conditions in the clinical setting utilizing the nursing process. The student will apply knowledge learned in the classroom, the skills laboratory and in clinical settings with related client assignments. Clinical learning experiences provide opportunity to apply theoretical concepts, promote healthy behaviors and implement safe care to patients and selected groups in a variety of settings across the lifespan.

#### PNVN1749: Clinical Practice IV

#### Credit Hours: 7.5 Clock Hours: 0/0/215

This course provides the student with the opportunity to practice nursing skills with clients who have chronic medical surgical conditions in the clinical setting utilizing the nursing process. The student will apply knowledge learned in the classroom, the skills laboratory and in clinical settings with related client assignments. Clinical learning experiences provide opportunity to apply theoretical concepts, promote healthy behaviors and implement safe care to patients and selected groups in a variety of settings across the lifespan.

#### PNVN1759: Clinical Practice V

Credit Hours: 7.5 Clock Hours: 0/16/204

This course provides the student with the opportunity to practice advanced nursing skills with clients in the clinical setting. Clinical experiences in women's health, maternity, pediatric, and transition to practice are included in this course. The student will apply knowledge learned in the classroom and the skills laboratory and in clinical settings with related client assignments. Clinical learning experiences provide opportunity to apply theoretical concepts, promote healthy behaviors and implement safe care to patients and selected groups in a variety of settings across the lifespan.

# PNVN1811: Basic Foundations in Nursing & Nursing Practice

Credit Hours: 8 Clock Hours: 170/0/0

This course provides an introduction to pharmacology, healthcare-related mathematical concepts, anatomy and physiology, and the fundamentals of nursing practice. Emphasis is placed on using the nursing process, evidenced based practice, safety, cultural sensitivity and client centered care to promote health. Theories of nursing practice and current industry trends are introduced focusing on principles of therapeutic communication, and the nurse-client relationship across the lifespan.

#### PSYC1310: General Psychology

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 45/0/0

This course provides a general overview of the field of psychology. The scientific nature of psychology and the sociohistorical evolution of the field are reviewed. Students will study the themes and theories related to understanding human behavior. Students will be able to use the skills and knowledge gained in this course in their future classes, the work place, and in their personal relationships. This course will provide a better understanding of human learning and behavior which will lead to success in future classes.

#### PSYC1320: Human Growth & Development

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 45/0/0

This course identifies and discusses all stages in the life span from infancy through late adulthood. A discussion of cultural considerations, types of families, changes affecting modern families and family patterns, and qualities of functional families will be included.

#### PTAP1201: Functional & Applied Anatomy Lab

Credit Hours: 2 Clock Hours: 0/60/0

This laboratory course provides hands-on experience complementing the didactic material presented in PTAP1400. Emphasis is on development of competency in data collection skills relevant to the musculoskeletal system.

# Prerequisites:

PTAP1300, BIOL1310, BIOL1320; **Co-Requisites:** PTAP1400

#### PTAP1210: Patient Care Skills

#### Credit Hours: 2 Clock Hours: 30/0/0

This course covers foundational patient care skills: communication, safety considerations, implementation of plan of care, chart review, patient positioning and monitoring, mobility skills, massage, and documentation. CPR training and certification are also completed in this course.

Prerequisites: PTAP1300; Co-Requisites: PTAP1211

#### PTAP1211: Patient Care Skills Lab

Credit Hours: 2 Clock Hours: 0/60/0

This laboratory course provides hands-on experience complementing the didactic material presented in PTAP1210. This course covers foundational patient care skills: communication, safety considerations, implementation of the plan of care, chart review, patient positioning and monitoring, mobility skills and documentation. Practical application of basic patient care skills and data collection is emphasized.

Prerequisites: PTAP1300; Co-Requisites: PTAP1210

#### PTAP1221: Musculoskeletal Rehabilitation Lab

Credit Hours: 2 Clock Hours: 0/60/0

This course accompanies PTAP1320 and covers practical application and instruction of interventions and exercise in musculoskeletal rehabilitation. Demonstration of competency in exercise instruction and technique is emphasized. Implementation of the physical therapy plan of care for a patient with musculoskeletal disorders is covered.

Prerequisites: PTAP1201, PTAP1210, PTAP1211, PTAP1400; Co-Requisites: PTAP1320

#### PTAP1240: Modalities

Credit Hours: 2 Clock Hours: 30/0/0

This course presents the therapeutic modalities and physical agents that are used in physical therapy practice. Physiological effects, patient preparation, treatment parameters, indications, precautions and contraindications will be discussed.

#### Prerequisites:

PTAP1201, PTAP1210, PTAP1211, PTAP1400; **Co-Requisites:** PTAP1241

#### PTAP1241: Modalities Lab

Credit Hours: 1.5 Clock Hours: 0/45/0

This course presents therapeutic modalities and physical agents commonly used in physical therapy practice. Instruction in safe application and demonstration of competency is emphasized. Application of modalities and agents as part of the physical therapy plan of care is covered.

#### **Prerequisites:**

PTAP1201, PTAP1210, PTAP1211, PTAP1400; **Co-Requisites:** PTAP1240

#### PTAP1300: Introduction to Physical Therapy

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 45/0/0

This course provides a basic introduction to the field of Physical Therapy. Course content includes an introduction to the physical therapy profession and its national organization, physical therapy practice description, appropriate clinical behavior, communication, and ethical and legal issues in the field. Instruction regarding health care team members, medical terminology and study skills are also included in this class.

#### PTAP1320: Musculoskeletal Rehabilitation

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 45/0/0

This course presents interventions in the management of patients with common musculoskeletal dysfunctions and role of the physical therapist assistant in implementation of the plan of care. Exercise principles, technique and instruction are covered.

#### Prerequisites:

PTAP1201, PTAP1210, PTAP1211, PTAP1400; **Co-Requisites:** PTAP1221

#### PTAP1350: Pathology for the Physical Therapist Assistant

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 45/0/0

This course presents the etiology, pathophysiology, incidence, signs and symptoms, diagnoses, prognosis, medical, pharmacological and physical therapy treatment of diseases commonly seen in physical therapy. Implications for treatment by the physical therapist assistant are emphasized. This course explores current concepts related to wellness and prevention and the physical therapist assistant's role in wellness.

#### PTAP1400: Functional & Applied Anatomy

#### Credit Hours: 4 Clock Hours: 60/0/0

This course expands upon previous knowledge of musculoskeletal anatomy. Content areas include applied movement concepts and data collection relevant to the role of the physical therapist assistant.

Prerequisites:

PTAP1300, BIOL1310, BIOL1320; Co-Requisites: PTAP1201

#### PTAP2121: Cardiopulmonary Rehabilitation Lab

Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 0/30/0

This course accompanies PTAP2220 and covers practical application and instruction of cardiopulmonary rehabilitation techniques and demonstration of competency. Implementation of the cardiopulmonary plan of care is included.

Prerequisites: PTAP2201, PTAP2400; Co-Requisites: PTAP2220

#### PTAP2131: Rehabilitation for Specialized Disorders Lab

Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 0/30/0

This course explores the role of the physical therapist assistant in implementation of the plan of care for patient individuals with specialized disorders and complements the lecture course. Practical application of data collection and interventions associated with discussed disorders. Demonstration of competency and implementation of plan of care is emphasized.

Prerequisites: PTAP2121, PTAP2220, PTAP2525; Co-Requisites: PTAP2230

#### PTAP2201: Neuromuscular Rehabilitation Lab

Credit Hours: 2.5 Clock Hours: 0/75/0

This course accompanies PTAP2400 and covers practical application and instruction of neuromuscular rehabilitation techniques and demonstration of competency. Implementation of the neurologic plan of care is included.

#### Prerequisites:

PTAP1201, PTAP1210, PTAP1211, PTAP1350, PTAP1400; Co-Requisites:

PTAP2400

#### PTAP2210: Rehabilitation Through the Lifespan

Credit Hours: 2 Clock Hours: 30/0/0

Rehabilitation of individuals throughout the lifespan is discussed: special considerations in the pediatric and geriatric populations.

#### Prerequisites:

PTAP1201, PTAP1210, PTAP1211, PTAP1350, PTAP1400, PSYC1320

#### PTAP2220: Cardiopulmonary Rehabilitation

Credit Hours: 2 Clock Hours: 30/0/0

Exploration of the role of the physical therapist assistant in care of patient with cardiovascular and pulmonary disorders in implementing the plan of care.

Prerequisites: PTAP2201, PTAP2400; Co-Requisites: PTAP2121

#### PTAP2230: Rehabilitation for Specialized Disorders

Credit Hours: 2 Clock Hours: 30/0/0

This course explores the role of the physical therapist assistant in implementation of the plan of care for patient individuals with specialized disorders.

#### Prerequisites:

PTAP2121, PTAP2220, PTAP2525; **Co-Requisites:** PTAP2131

#### PTAP2340: Special Topics for the Physical Therapist Assistant

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 45/0/0

This course covers administrative issues and career development as well as current topics in physical therapy. Clinical experiences and presentation of case histories are completed. The course is designed to meet the needs of the student in regional considerations. Topics may vary from offering to offering.

#### Prerequisites:

PTAP2131, PTAP2230, PTAP2535

#### PTAP2400: Neuromuscular Rehabilitation

Credit Hours: 4 Clock Hours: 60/0/0

This course covers the role of the physical therapist assistant (PTA) in the management of patients with common neurological dysfunctions. The student will learn theoretical principles and how to integrate them in treatment.

#### **Prerequisites:**

PTAP1201, PTAP1210, PTAP1211, PTAP1350, PTAP1400; **Co-Requisites:** PTAP2201

#### PTAP2525: Clinical Experience I

#### Credit Hours: 5 Clock Hours: 0/0/240

This full-time, six week, clinical affiliation will provide the student with initial exposure to the clinical setting. The PTA student will be under the direct supervision of a PT and/or PTA. This clinical affiliation allows students to practice patient care skills, document treatment techniques and enhance communication skills with all health care team members.

#### **Prerequisites:**

PTAP1221, PTAP1240, PTAP1241, PTAP1320, PTAP2201, PTAP2210, PTAP2400

#### PTAP2535: Clinical Experience II

Credit Hours: 5 Clock Hours: 0/0/240

This full-time, six week, clinical affiliation, will allow students to expand upon their previous clinical experience and incorporate the knowledge and skills from additional coursework. The student will be under the direct supervision of a PT and/or PTA. Emphasis is placed on the student assuming a more active role with the rehabilitation team for the delivery of care. **Prerequisites:** 

PTAP2121, PTAP2220, PTAP2525

#### PTAP2545: Clinical Experience III

Credit Hours: 5 Clock Hours: 0/0/240

At the completion of this full-time, six week clinical affiliation, the student goal will be to perform as an entry-level physical therapist assistant. Students participate in this clinical experience under the supervision of a licensed physical therapist and/or physical therapist assistant.

**Prerequisites:** PTAP2131, PTAP2230, PTAP2535

#### PVN101CR: Personal & Practical/Vocational Concepts

Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 30/0

This course introduces the student to the role of a student, basic skills for success, nursing history, and trends; nursing ethics; legal aspects of nursing; practical relationships in healthcare, including the role of the practical/vocational and professional nurse; and nursing education.

**Co-Requisites:** PVN103CR

#### **PVN102CR: Foundations of Nursing**

Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 30/0

Students are introduced to nursing concepts and principles. Students are given an overview of the nurseclient relationship, principles of therapeutic communication, and cultural diversity among clients. Patient care is discussed through the life span, including care of the geriatric client. Death and dving concerns are introduced and discussed. Steps of the nursing process are presented as the framework for determining and meeting clients' needs within the scope of practice.

**Co-Requisites:** PVN103CR

#### PVN103CR: Clinical Practice I

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 0/100

This course provides the student with the opportunity to learn and practice in the skills laboratory basic nursing principles and procedures related to meeting the daily needs of clients. Safety as a key element in care is introduced. The nursing process is integrated with an emphasis on all components using standardized nursing language. Nursing skills include gathering data related to vital signs, bed and bath of the client, skin care, standard precautions, asepsis, basic care procedures, and activities of daily living (ADL) support skills. Documentation is emphasized in this course and the student is introduced to providing appropriate client information. The nursing student is introduced to computers and the Windows environment. The student is given the skills necessary for Basic Life Support certification (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation-CPR).

#### **PVN104CR: College Mathematics**

Credit Hours: 2 Clock Hours: 45/0

This course covers principles and applications of whole numbers, fractions, decimals, percentages, ratio, proportions, measurements, statistics, basic algebra, and geometry. The metric system, the apothecary system, and conversion between systems are presented. Allied health applications are discussed. **Co-Requisites:** 

PVN103CR

#### PVN105CR: Fundamentals of Anatomy & Physiology

#### Credit Hours: 2 Clock Hours: 45/0

This course introduces the student to the structure and function of the body. Directions, geometric planes, and cavities of the body are presented. Cells, tissues, organs, and systems are discussed. The major organs of each system and how they relate to the overall status of the body are covered.

#### **Co-Requisites:** PVN103CR

#### PVN106CR: Pharmacology

Credit Hours: 2 Clock Hours: 45/0

This course focuses on dosages, applications, side effects, toxicity, and laboratory tests performed to monitor actions and effects of specific drugs. Issues involved with I.V. (intravenous) monitoring will be covered. Drug calculation examinations must be passed with a score of 85 percent.

### Co-Requisites:

PVN103CR

#### PVN121CR: Introduction to Medical-Surgical Nursing

Credit Hours: 1.5 Clock Hours: 40/0

This course introduces students to head-to-toe client data gathering, care of the pre- and post-operative client, and care of clients with self-care deficits. Asepsis, elements of the infectious process, causes of disease, basic intravenous (I.V.) practicum (site rate, solution identification), and the body's normal defenses are discussed. Students learn to incorporate the nursing process in the care of pre- and post-operative clients, as well as those with self-care deficits.

#### Prerequisites:

PVN101CR, PVN102CR, PVN103CR, PVN104CR, PVN105CR, PVN106CR. Co-Requisite: PVN125CR.

#### **PVN122CR: Nutrition**

Credit Hours: 2 Clock Hours: 45/0

This course covers functions and food sources of proteins, carbohydrates and fats, and identifies current recommendations for intake. Discussion includes changes in nutrient needs throughout the lifecycle and suggestions to ensure adequate nutrition during each stage of life. Students are introduced to standard diets and modifications of diets for disease processes.

#### Prerequisites:

PVN101CR, PVN102CR, PVN103CR, PVN104CR, PVN105CR, PVN106CR. Co-Requisite: PVN125CR.

#### PVN123CR: Mental Health Nursing Care

Credit Hours: 0.5 Clock Hours: 15/0

This course emphasizes nursing care of the client and family, which includes assisting them in achieving satisfactory and productive ways of coping with daily living and lifestyle changes. The course includes discussion of eating disorders, alcoholism, drug addiction, anxiety, defense mechanisms, and major mental disorders.

#### Prerequisites:

PVN101CR, PVN102CR, PVN103CR, PVN104CR, PVN105CR, PVN106CR. Co-Requisite: PVN125CR.

#### PVN124CR: Integumentary Nursing Care

Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 24/0

This course emphasizes common diseases and disorders of the integumentary system, including related treatments and pharmacological agents used. The student is provided with the knowledge necessary to use the nursing process in caring for clients with integumentary problems.

#### Prerequisites:

PVN101CR, PVN102CR, PVN103CR, PVN104CR, PVN105CR, PVN106CR. Co-Requisite: PVN125CR.

#### PVN125CR: Clinical Practice II

Credit Hours: 7 Clock Hours: 0/220

This course presents nursing care and procedures in the skills laboratory and the use of the nursing process while providing client care in clinical settings throughout term 2. Students apply their knowledge learned in the classroom to the skills laboratory scenarios and in a clinical setting with related client assignments. The hours for skills laboratory and clinical setting are designated and concurrent with each course.

#### Prerequisites:

PVN101CR, PVN102CR, PVN103CR, PVN104CR, PVN105CR, PVN106CR.

#### PVN131CR: Cardiovascular Nursing Care

#### Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 24/0

This course emphasizes common diseases and disorders of the cardiovascular and lymphatic systems. It includes common related treatments and pharmacological agents used. The student is provided with the knowledge necessary to use the nursing process in caring for clients with cardiovascular and lymphatic diseases and disorders.

#### Prerequisites:

PVN101CR, PVN102CR, PVN103CR, PVN104CR, PVN105CR, PVN106CR, PVN121CR, PVN122CR, PVN123CR, PVN124CR, PVN125CR. Co-Requisite: PVN136CR.

#### PVN132CR: Respiratory Nursing Care

#### Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 24/0

This course emphasizes common respiratory system disease processes. It also includes related treatments and pharmacological agents used. The student is provided with the knowledge necessary to use the nursing process in caring for clients with respiratory problems.

#### Prerequisites:

PVN101CR, PVN102CR, PVN103CR, PVN104CR, PVN105CR, PVN106CR, PVN121CR, PVN122CR, PVN123CR, PVN124CR, PVN125CR. Co-Requisite: PVN136CR.

#### PVN133CR: Human Growth & Development

Credit Hours: 2 Clock Hours: 45/0

Course identifies and discusses all stages in the lifespan from infancy through late adulthood. Cultural considerations, types of families, changes affecting modern families and family patterns, and qualities of functional families are presented. Related nursing considerations to the various stages of life are included. **Prerequisites:** 

PVN101CR, PVN102CR, PVN103CR, PVN104CR, PVN105CR, PVN106CR, PVN121CR, PVN122CR, PVN123CR, PVN124CR, PVN125CR. Co-Requisite: PVN136CR.

#### PVN134CR: Genito-Urinary Nursing Care

Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 24/0

This course emphasizes the common disease processes, treatments, and pharmacological agents used for disorders of the genito-urinary and male reproductive systems. Sexually transmitted diseases are introduced. Students are provided with the knowledge necessary to use the nursing process in caring for clients with renal/urinary and male reproductive problems.

#### Prerequisites:

PVN101CR, PVN102CR, PVN103CR, PVN104CR, PVN105CR, PVN106CR, PVN121CR, PVN122CR, PVN123CR, PVN124CR, PVN125CR. Co-Requisite: PVN136CR.

#### PVN135CR: Musculoskeletal Nursing Care

#### Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 24/0

This course emphasizes the common disease processes, treatments, and pharmacological agents used for disorders of the musculoskeletal system. The student is provided with the knowledge necessary to use the nursing process in caring for clients with musculoskeletal problems.

#### Prerequisites:

PVN101CR, PVN102CR, PVN103CR, PVN104CR, PVN105CR, PVN106CR, PVN121CR, PVN122CR, PVN123CR, PVN124CR, PVN125CR. Co-Requisite: PVN136CR.

#### PVN136CR: Clinical Practice III

Credit Hours: 6.5 Clock Hours: 0/220

This course presents nursing care and procedures in the skills laboratory and the use of the nursing process while providing client care in clinical settings throughout term 3. Students apply their knowledge learned in the classroom to the skills laboratory scenarios and in a clinical setting with related client assignments. The hours for skills laboratory and clinical setting are designated and concurrent with each course.

#### Prerequisites:

PVN101CR, PVN102CR, PVN103CR, PVN104CR, PVN105CR, PVN106CR, PVN121CR, PVN122CR, PVN123CR, PVN124CR, PVN125CR.

#### PVN140CR: Gastrointestinal Nursing Care

#### Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 24/0

This course emphasizes the common disease processes, treatments, and pharmacological agents used for disorders of the gastrointestinal disorders. The student is provided with the knowledge necessary to use the nursing process in caring for clients with gastrointestinal problems.

#### Prerequisites:

PVN101CR, PVN102CR, PVN103CR, PVN104CR, PVN105CR, PVN106CR, PVN121CR, PVN122CR, PVN123CR, PVN124CR, PVN125CR, PVN131CR, PVN132CR, PVN133CR, PVN124CR, PVN135CR, PVN136CR. Co-Requisite: PVN145CR.

#### PVN141CR: Neuro-Sensory Nursing Care

#### Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 24/0

This course emphasizes the common disease processes, treatments, and pharmacological agents used for neuro-sensory disorders. The student is provided with the knowledge necessary to use the nursing process in caring for clients with neuro-sensory problems and disorders of the special senses.

#### Prerequisites:

PVN101CR, PVN102CR, PVN103CR, PVN104CR, PVN105CR, PVN106CR, PVN121CR, PVN122CR, PVN123CR, PVN124CR, PVN125CR, PVN131CR, PVN132CR, PVN133CR, PVN124CR, PVN135CR, PVN136CR. Co-Requisite: PVN145CR.

#### PVN142CR: Endocrine Nursing Care

Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 24/0

This course emphasizes the common disease processes, treatments, and pharmacological agents used for endocrine disorders. The student is provided with the knowledge necessary to use the nursing process in caring for clients with endocrine problems. **Prerequisites:** 

PVN101CR, PVN102CR, PVN103CR, PVN104CR, PVN105CR, PVN106CR, PVN121CR, PVN122CR, PVN123CR, PVN124CR, PVN125CR, PVN131CR, PVN132CR, PVN133CR, PVN124CR, PVN135CR, PVN136CR. Co-Requisite: PVN145CR.

## PVN143CR: Immune System & Oncology Nursing Care

#### Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 24/0

This course focuses on diseases caused by disorders of the immune system. Students learn to use the nursing process in caring for clients with immunodeficiency disorders. The course includes oncology, its disease process, diagnostic procedures, and treatment modalities. Psychosocial aspects of immunodeficiencies and oncology are considered.

#### Prerequisites:

PVN101CR, PVN102CR, PVN103CR, PVN104CR, PVN105CR, PVN106CR, PVN121CR, PVN122CR, PVN123CR, PVN124CR, PVN125CR, PVN131CR, PVN132CR, PVN133CR, PVN124CR, PVN135CR, PVN136CR. Co-Requisite: PVN145CR.

#### PVN144CR: Community Health Nursing Care

Credit Hours: 0.5 Clock Hours: 15/0

This course explores the role of the vocational nurse in community settings. Home health, hospice, and skilled nursing are discussed. The student is introduced to concepts of terrorism and bioterrorism. The student is provided with the knowledge necessary to use the nursing process in the delivery of comprehensive nursing care as a member of the healthcare team.

#### Prerequisites:

PVN101CR, PVN102CR, PVN103CR, PVN104CR, PVN105CR, PVN106CR, PVN121CR, PVN122CR, PVN123CR, PVN124CR, PVN125CR, PVN131CR, PVN132CR, PVN133CR, PVN124CR, PVN135CR, PVN136CR. Co-Requisite: PVN145CR.

#### PVN145CR: Clinical Practice IV Credit Hours: 7 Clock Hours: 0/215

This course presents nursing care and procedures in the skills laboratory and the use of the nursing process while providing client care in clinical settings throughout term 4. Students apply their knowledge learned in the classroom to the skills laboratory scenarios and in a clinical setting with related client assignments. The hours for skills laboratory and clinical setting are designated and concurrent with each course.

#### Prerequisites:

PVN101CR, PVN102CR, PVN103CR, PVN104CR, PVN105CR, PVN106CR, PVN121CR, PVN122CR, PVN123CR, PVN124CR, PVN125CR, PVN131CR, PVN132CR, PVN133CR, PVN124CR, PVN135CR, PVN136CR.

#### PVN150CR: Maternal & Child Health Nursing Care

#### Credit Hours: 1.5 Clock Hours: 38/0

This course emphasizes the common disease processes, treatments, and pharmacological agents used for female reproductive disorders. Included is a study of the childbearing process from pregnancy through birth and the postpartum period. Content reviews normal pregnancy and stresses the high-risk client within each phase of pregnancy. The student is provided with the knowledge necessary to use the nursing process in the care of female clients with reproductive system disorders, normal pregnancy, and high-risk pregnancy. Common childhood diseases and disorders, treatments, pharmacological agents, and the use of the nursing process in the care of the ill child from infancy through adolescence are covered.

#### **Prerequisites:**

PVN101CR, PVN102CR, PVN103CR, PVN104CR, PVN105CR, PVN106CR, PVN121CR, PVN122CR, PVN123CR, PVN124CR, PVN125CR, PVN131CR, PVN132CR, PVN133CR, PVN124CR, PVN135CR, PVN136CR, PVN140CR, PVN141CR, PVN142CR, PVN143CR, PVN144CR, PVN145CR. Co-Requisite: PVN152CR.

#### PVN151CR: Leadership

#### Credit Hours: 0.5 Clock Hours: 20/0

This course introduces management principles and the role the practical/vocational nurse as a leader and member of the healthcare team.

#### Prerequisites:

PVN101CR, PVN102CR, PVN103CR, PVN104CR, PVN105CR, PVN106CR, PVN121CR, PVN122CR, PVN123CR, PVN124CR, PVN125CR, PVN131CR, PVN132CR, PVN133CR, PVN124CR, PVN135CR, PVN136CR, PVN140CR, PVN141CR, PVN142CR, PVN143CR, PVN144CR, PVN145CR. Co-Requisite: PVN152CR.

#### PVN152CR: Clinical Practice V

# Credit Hours: 7

Clock Hours: 0/220

This course presents nursing care and procedures in the skills laboratory and the use of the nursing process while providing client care in clinical settings throughout term 5. Students apply their knowledge learned in the classroom to the skills laboratory scenarios and in a clinical setting with related client assignments. The hours for skills laboratory and clinical setting are designated and concurrent with each course.

#### **Prerequisites:**

PVN101CR, PVN102CR, PVN103CR, PVN104CR, PVN105CR, PVN106CR, PVN121CR, PVN122CR, PVN123CR, PVN124CR, PVN125CR, PVN131CR, PVN132CR, PVN133CR, PVN124CR, PVN135CR, PVN136CR, PVN140CR, PVN141CR, PVN142CR, PVN143CR, PVN144CR, PVN145CR.

#### PVN154CR: NCLEX Review

Credit Hours: 0.5 Clock Hours: 16/0

This course presents a review of the Vocational Nurse program with the emphasis on NCLEX questions and the critical thinking necessary for successful completion of the test.

#### Prerequisites:

PVN101CR, PVN102CR, PVN103CR, PVN104CR, PVN105CR, PVN106CR, PVN121CR, PVN122CR, PVN123CR, PVN124CR, PVN125CR, PVN131CR, PVN132CR, PVN133CR, PVN124CR, PVN135CR, PVN136CR, PVN140CR, PVN141CR, PVN142CR, PVN143CR, PVN144CR, PVN145CR. Co-Requisite: PVN152CR.

#### **RESP1110: Respiratory Therapy Foundations**

Credit Hours: 10.5 Clock Hours: 180/0/0

In this lecture course students learn and review mechanics of the pulmonary system and the relationship between respiration and cardiac function. Students learn to recognize normal and abnormal arterial blood gas results. They learn the principles of gas physics and their application to oxygen, aerosol, and humidity therapies. Students begin the process of professional development and learn self-esteem and motivational skills necessary to become employed. Students learn the conditions that indicate the need for oxygen therapy. They explore the potential hazards associated with oxygen therapy, study the different oxygen delivery devices, and learn how to assemble and test equipment. They practice setting up oxygen, aerosol, and humidity therapies. Students learn to perform patient assessments, including assessing the need for secretion removal and how to perform the appropriate procedures. They are introduced to the various pharmacological agents used in respiratory therapy and their biochemical properties. Students learn the indications for and the potential hazards of hyperinflation and incentive spirometry therapies. Professional development, ethics and critical thinking is introduced.

# RESP1210: Respiratory Therapy Foundations Applications

Credit Hours: 2 Clock Hours: 0/60/0

This lab course allows students the opportunity to build skills related to topics covered in the RESP1110 course in a laboratory setting. Students also learn to perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) thru the American Heart Association.

# RESP1310: Respiratory Therapeutics, Diagnostics and Disease Management

Credit Hours: 3.5 Clock Hours: 30/45/0

In this lecture/lab course students examine the etiology and pathophysiology of respiratory disease and review patient assessment. Students learn and perform EKG procedures, cardiac rhythm identification and chest x-ray interpretation. Students also learn to maintain and manage artificial airways.

# RESP1610: Respiratory Therapeutics, Diagnostics and Disease Management Applications

Credit Hours: 6 Clock Hours: 0/0/285

This course allows students the opportunity to build skill and demonstrate competencies related to topics covered in the RESP1310 course in a live clinical setting. This course may also include clinical simulation performed on campus.

#### RESP2210: Respiratory Therapy Capstone and Board Exam Prep Applications

Credit Hours: 2.5 Clock Hours: 0/0/120

This course allows students the opportunity to build skill and demonstrate competencies related to topics covered in the RESP2810 course in a live clinical setting. This course may also include clinical simulation performed on campus.

#### RESP2310: Cardiopulmonary Critical Care

Credit Hours: 3.5 Clock Hours: 30/30/0

This lecture/lab course examines the pathologies of the cardiopulmonary symptoms and recognize the manifestations and systems of restrictive and obstructive pulmonary disease. Students study the various types of mechanical ventilators to identify the modalities of continuous mechanical ventilation. They learn how to set up ventilators and monitor a ventilator patient. Students learn how to apply PEEP/CPAP and intermittent mandatory ventilation. They learn the special considerations for continuous mechanical ventilation and long-term life support. They learn the advanced techniques and proper maintenance procedures associated with continuous mechanical ventilation, as well as the indications for and techniques applicable to, the discontinuation of ventilation. They learn to recognize the various pulmonary disease states associated with ventilator patients and how to evaluate the patient's status and response to therapy.

#### RESP2410: Respiratory Care of Specialty Populations Applications

Credit Hours: 4 Clock Hours: 0/0/180

This course allows students the opportunity to build skill and demonstrate competencies related to topics covered in the RESP2620 course in a live clinical setting. This course may also include clinical simulation performed on campus.

#### RESP2610: Cardiopulmonary Critical Care Applications

Credit Hours: 6 Clock Hours: 0/0/285

This course allows students the opportunity to build skill and demonstrate competencies related to topics covered in the RESP2310 course in a live clinical setting. This course may also include clinical simulation performed on campus.

#### **RESP2620: Respiratory Care of Specialty Populations**

Credit Hours: 6 Clock Hours: 75/30/0

In this lecture/lab course students learn anatomy, physiology, and respiratory care considerations of the pediatric and neonatal patient. They learn to identify and administer the pharmacological agents used in critical care and explore the goals and objectives of pulmonary rehabilitation and patient education. Students learn specialty therapies/procedures pertaining to Sleep Medicine, Pulmonary Function Testing, Bronchoscopy and Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation. Students work on case studies related to these topics.

# RESP2810: Respiratory Therapy Capstone and Board Exam Prep

Credit Hours: 8 Clock Hours: 100/40/0

This lecture/lab course offers a comprehensive review of the National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC) Therapist Multiple Choice and Clinical Simulation exams as defined in the NBRC Content Outlines. It also includes a comprehensive review of critical thinking skills and therapist-driven protocols as applied to the successful completion of the certification examinations offered by the NBRC.

#### SOCI1310: Introduction to Sociology

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 45/0/0

This course is a general introduction to the study of sociology, which is the systematic study of human society and the social forces that shape human social life. The goal of this course is to provide the student with an overview of how sociology helps us understand human societies, human relationships, group aspects of behavior, and social institutions.

#### SURG1110: Surgical Technology Lab I

Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 0/40/0

This laboratory course is designed to provide for the practical application of theoretical concepts, patient safety standards, and aseptic principles outlined in SURG1310: Surgical Technology Theory I. Perioperative applied skills performed in the assistant circulator role are highlighted with an emphasis on industry best practices and the application of critical thinking skills. **Co-Requisites:** SURG1310

#### SURG1120: Surgical Technology Lab II

# Credit Hours: 1

**Clock Hours:** 0/40/0

This laboratory course is designed to provide for the practical application of theoretical concepts, patient safety standards, and aseptic principles outlined in SURG1320: Surgical Technology Theory II. Perioperative applied skills performed in the scrub role are highlighted with an emphasis on industry best practices and the application of critical thinking skills. Patient vital signs and microscope use are also included.

#### Prerequisites:

SURG1110, SURG1310. **Co-Requisites:** SURG1320

#### SURG1130: Surgical Technology Lab III

Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 0/40/0

This laboratory course is designed to provide for the practical application of theoretical concepts, patient safety standards, and aseptic principles outlined in SURG1330: Surgical Technology Theory III. Perioperative applied skills performed in the scrub role are highlighted with an emphasis on industry best practices and the application of critical thinking skills. Handling, passing, and assembly of specialty surgical instrumentation, equipment, and supplies is included.

Prerequisites: SURG1140, SURG1340;

**Co-Requisites:** SURG1330

#### SURG1140: Surgical Technology Lab IV

Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 0/40/0

This laboratory course is designed to provide for the practical application of theoretical concepts, patient safety standards, and aseptic principles outlined in SURG1340: Surgical Technology Theory IV. Perioperative applied skills performed in the scrub role are highlighted with an emphasis on industry best practices and the application of critical thinking skills. Intraoperative and postoperative case management skills are further emphasized.

Prerequisites: SURG1120, SURG1320; Co-Requisites: SURG1340

#### SURG1150: Surgical Technology Lab V

#### Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 0/40/0

This laboratory course is designed to provide for the practical application of theoretical concepts, patient safety standards, and aseptic principles within the mock surgery setting. Perioperative applied skills performed in the scrub and circulating roles are highlighted with an emphasis on industry best practices and the application of critical thinking skills. Mock surgery scenarios incorporate all skills acquired in previous laboratory courses in order to prepare the student for clinical experiences and surgical rotations.

Prerequisites:

SURG1140, SURG1340. **Co-Requisites:** SURG1350

#### SURG1160: Surgical Technology Lab VI

Credit Hours: 1 Clock Hours: 0/40/0

This capstone laboratory course is designed to provide for the practical application of theoretical concepts, patient safety standards, and aseptic principles within the mock surgery setting. Perioperative applied skills performed in the scrub and circulating roles are highlighted with an emphasis on industry best practices and the application of critical thinking skills. Mock surgery scenarios incorporate all skills acquired in previous laboratory courses in order to prepare the student for clinical experiences and surgical rotations. **Prerequisites:** 

SURG1150, SURG1350. **Co-Requisites:** SURG1360

# SURG1223: Applied Microbiology for Surgical Technology

Credit Hours: 2 Clock Hours: 30/0/0

In this course, students will explore the essential role of microbiology in maintaining sterile technique and infection control within the operative setting. They will learn to identify and comprehend the functions of different components of the compound microscope. Additionally, students will compare and contrast the structures and characteristics of diverse microorganisms. Through an in-depth study of the body's immune responses, they will analyze the defense mechanisms deployed against pathogens. By understanding the infectious process, students will gain valuable insights into its implications and significance in the context of surgical practice.

#### SURG1230: Surgical Technology I Laboratory

Credit Hours: 2.5 Clock Hours: 0/80/0

This laboratory course provides the practical application of theoretical concepts, patient safety standards, and aseptic principles in alignment with SURG1630. Perioperative applied skills performed in the assistant circulator role and the scrub role are highlighted with an emphasis on industry best practices and the application of critical thinking skills.

#### Prerequisites:

BIOL1111, BIOL1121, BIOL1310, BIOL1320 **Co-Requisites:** SURG1630

#### SURG1233: Surgical Technology I Laboratory

Credit Hours: 2.5 Clock Hours: 0/80/0

This laboratory course provides the practical application of theoretical concepts, patient safety standards, and aseptic principles in alignment with SURG1533. Preoperative applied skills performed in the scrub role are highlighted with an emphasis on industry best practices and the application of critical thinking skills. Critical thinking skills within the operative environment are discussed in the context of patient care, emergency management and all-hazards preparation. Related medical/surgical terminology is integrated throughout the course.

#### SURG1310: Surgical Technology Theory I

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 60/0/0

This course is designed to provide a comprehensive introduction into the field of surgical technology and survey basic perioperative surgical concepts. Major subjects covered include professionalism and employability, OR organization and administration, the surgical technologist's roles and responsibilities, risk management, and basic circulating skills. Modern ethics, law and morality in healthcare, fundamentals of OR pharmacology, and anesthesia concepts are also surveyed. Preoperative case management concepts in the circulating role include patient transfer and transport, urinary catheterization, patient positioning, and skin preparation. Related medical/surgical terminology is integrated throughout the course. **Co-Requisites:** 

SURG1110

### SURG1320: Surgical Technology Theory II

### Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 60/0/0

This course will survey fundamentals of microbiology, intro to laboratory equipment (i.e., microscopes), the infectious process, and infection control concepts. Perioperative theory includes fundamentals of aseptic technique; medical versus surgical asepsis; sterilization, disinfection, and antisepsis; environmental controls and personnel practices; scrubbing, gowning, and gloving for surgery; draping; and establishing the sterile field. Safety, OSHA regulations, and Standard Precautions are also surveyed. Related medical/surgical terminology is integrated throughout the course.

**Prerequisites:** SURG1110, SURG1310. **Co-Requisites:** SURG1120

### SURG1330: Surgical Technology Theory III

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 60/0/0

This course is designed to provide a comprehensive overview of basic and specialty surgical instrumentation, equipment, and supplies. Topics include surgical instrument uses and classifications, equipment identification and function, and specialty supply handling, preparation, and usage. Related medical/surgical terminology is integrated throughout the course.

**Prerequisites:** SURG1140, SURG1340; **Co-Requisites:** SURG1130

### SURG1340: Surgical Technology Theory IV

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 60/0/0

This course will survey surgical case management concepts, including wound types and healing, surgical sutures and needles, wound closure techniques and devices, dressings and drainage devices, fundamentals of surgical pathophysiology, and postoperative patient care. Critical thinking skills within the operative environment are discussed in the context of surgical anticipation, emergency management, and All-hazards preparation. Related medical/surgical terminology is integrated throughout the course.

Prerequisites:

SURG1120, SURG1320; **Co-Requisites:** SURG1140

### SURG1350: Surgical Procedures I

# Credit Hours: 3

**Clock Hours:** 60/0/0

This course will introduce students to surgery and primary surgical procedures within basic specialties, including general, obstetric & gynecologic, ophthalmic, otorhinolaryngologic, oral & maxillofacial surgery, and diagnostic procedures. Related medical/surgical terminology, anatomy, physiology, and pathophysiology are integrated throughout the course.

#### Prerequisites:

SURG1140, SURG1340. **Co-Requisites:** SURG1150

### SURG1360: Surgical Procedures II

Credit Hours: 3 Clock Hours: 60/0/0

This course will introduce students to surgery and primary surgical procedures within basic specialties, including plastic & reconstructive, genitourinary, orthopedic, cardiothoracic, peripheral vascular, and neurosurgery. Related medical/surgical terminology, anatomy, physiology, and pathophysiology are integrated throughout the course.

Prerequisites: SURG1150, SURG1350. Co-Requisites: SURG1160

### SURG1533: Surgical Technology Theory I

Credit Hours: 5.5 Clock Hours: 100/0/0

This course provides a comprehensive introduction into the field of surgical technology and perioperative theory and concepts. Major topics include the surgical technologist's roles and responsibilities, law and ethics in healthcare, safety and standard precautions, and preoperative case management. Perioperative theory and concepts include patient care, fundamentals of aseptic technique, environmental controls, and personnel practices. Related medical/surgical terminology is integrated throughout the course. During this course you will learn proper CPR, learn about Bloodborne Pathogens as well as HIPPA.

### SURG1630: Surgical Technology Theory I

Credit Hours: 6.5 Clock Hours: 120/0/0

This course provides a comprehensive introduction into the field of surgical technology and perioperative theory and concepts. Major topics include the surgical technologist's roles and responsibilities, law and ethics in healthcare, safety and standard precautions, and preoperative case management. Perioperative theory and concepts include patient care, fundamentals of aseptic technique, environmental controls, and personnel practices. Related medical/surgical terminology is integrated throughout the course. **Co-Requisites:** SURG1230

### SURG2150: Surgical Technology Clinical Review I

Credit Hours: 1.5 Clock Hours: 30/0/0

This is the first of two courses designed to provide the student with a review of all didactic, laboratory, and clinical knowledge necessary to prepare for success on the Certified Surgical Technologist (CST) examination administered by the National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (NBSTSA). Reviews will be conducted in several forms, including test skills preparation, anatomy & physiology, pharmacology, sterilization concepts, and surgical procedures review. **Prerequisites:** 

SURG1160, SURG1360

### SURG2160: Surgical Technology Clinical Review I

Credit Hours: 1.5 Clock Hours: 30/0/0

This is the first/second of two courses designed to provide the student with a review of all didactic, laboratory and clinical knowledge necessary to prepare for a certification exam. Reviews will be conducted in several forms, including test skills preparation, anatomy & physiology, pharmacology, sterilization concepts and surgical procedures review.

### Prerequisites:

SURG1231; SURG1630; SURG2640; SURG2240; SURG2650; SURG2250; **Co-Requisites:** 

SURG2760

### SURG2240: Surgical Technology Lab II

Credit Hours: 2.5 Clock Hours: 0/80/0

This laboratory course provides practical application of theoretical concepts, patient safety standards, and aseptic principles in alignment with SURGXXXX. Handling, passing, and assembly of specialty surgical instrumentation, equipment, and supplies is included. Intraoperative and postoperative case management skills are further emphasized.

### Prerequisites:

SURG1231; SURG1630 **Co-Requisites:** SURG2640

### SURG2243: Surgical Technology Lab II

Credit Hours: 2.5 Clock Hours: 0/80/0

This laboratory course provides practical application of theoretical concepts, patient safety standards, and aseptic principles in alignment with SURG2543. Handling, passing, sterilization and assembly of specialty surgical instrumentation, equipment, and supplies is included. Intraoperative and postoperative case management skills are further emphasized.

### SURG2250: Surgical Technology Lab III

Credit Hours: 2.5 Clock Hours: 0/80/0

This laboratory course provides practical application of theoretical concepts, patient safety standards, and aseptic principles within the mock surgery setting. Perioperative applied skills performed in the scrub and circulating roles are highlighted with an emphasis on industry best practices and the application of critical thinking skills. Mock surgery scenarios incorporate all skills acquired in previous laboratory courses in order to prepare the student for clinical experiences and surgical rotations.

### Prerequisites:

SURG1231; SURG1630; SURG2640; SURG2240 **Co-Requisites:** SURG2650

### SURG2253: Surgical Technology Lab III

Credit Hours: 2.5 Clock Hours: 0/80/0

This laboratory course provides practical application of theoretical concepts, patient safety standards, and aseptic principles within the mock surgery setting in alignment with SURG2553. Perioperative applied skills performed in the scrub and circulating roles are highlighted with an emphasis on industry best practices and the application of critical thinking skills. Mock surgery scenarios incorporate all skills acquired in previous laboratory courses to prepare the student for clinical experiences and surgical rotations.

### SURG2263: Surgical Technology Clinical Review I

Credit Hours: 2.5 Clock Hours: 50/0/0

This is the first of two courses designed to provide the student with a review of all didactic, laboratory, and clinical knowledge necessary to prepare for success on the NCCT exam. Reviews will be conducted in several forms, including test skills preparation, anatomy & physiology, pharmacology, sterilization concepts, and surgical procedures review

### SURG2460: Surgical Technology Clinical Review II

#### Credit Hours: 4 Clock Hours: 80/0/0

This is the first/second of two courses designed to provide the student with a review of all didactic, laboratory and clinical knowledge necessary to prepare for a certification exam. Reviews will be conducted in several forms, including test skills preparation, anatomy & physiology, pharmacology, sterilization concepts and surgical procedures review.

Prerequisites: SURG2150

### SURG2470: Surgical Technology Clinical Review II

Credit Hours: 4 Clock Hours: 80/0/0

This is the first/second of two courses designed to provide the student with a review of all didactic, laboratory and clinical knowledge necessary to prepare for a certification exam. Reviews will be conducted in several forms, including test skills preparation, anatomy & physiology, pharmacology, sterilization concepts and surgical procedures review.

### Prerequisites:

SURG1231; SURG1630; SURG2640; SURG2240; SURG2650; SURG2250; SURG2760; SURG2160 **Co-Requisites:** SURG2570

### SURG2473: Surgical Technology Clinical Review II

Credit Hours: 4 Clock Hours: 80/0/0

This is the second of two courses designed to provide the student with a review of all didactic, laboratory, and clinical knowledge necessary to prepare for success on the NCCT exam. Reviews will be conducted in several forms, including test skills preparation, anatomy & physiology, pharmacology, sterilization concepts, and surgical procedures review.

### SURG2543: Surgical Technology Theory II

Credit Hours: 5.5 Clock Hours: 100/0/0

This course provides a comprehensive overview of surgical instrumentation, equipment, and supplies and will survey case management concepts. Topics include basic and specialty surgical instrument uses and classifications, wound types and healing, fundamentals of surgical pathophysiology, and postoperative patient care. Critical thinking skills within the operative environment are discussed in the context of surgical anticipation, sterilization, and all-hazards preparation. Related medical/surgical terminology is integrated throughout the course.

#### SURG2553: Surgical Technology Procedures Credit Hours: 5.5 Clock Hours: 100/0/0

This course will introduce students to surgery and primary surgical procedures within basic specialties including Surgical Procedures (Plastic Reconstructive Surgery, Orthopedic Surgery, Obstetric & Gynecologic

Surgery, Genitourinary Surgery, Cardiothoracic/ Cardiovascular Surgery, Peripheral Surgery, Neurosurgery, Pediatric Surgery, Emergency Trauma) Related medical/surgical terminology, instrumentation, anatomy, physiology, and pathophysiology are integrated throughout the course.

### SURG2560: Surgical Technology Clinical II

Credit Hours: 5 Clock Hours: 0/0/240

This clinical experience will provide progressive exposure to and experience with diverse surgical procedures of elementary, intermediate, and advanced complexity performed in relation to the practice of surgical technology in multiple specialties within the clinical setting.

Prerequisites: SURG2150, SURG2850

### SURG2570: Surgical Technology Clinical II

Credit Hours: 5.5 Clock Hours: 0/0/250

In this clinical experience students will gain progressive exposure to and experience with diverse surgical procedures of varying complexity performed in relation to the practice of surgical technology in multiple specialties within the clinical setting. Students will apply critical thinking and surgical problem solving techniques to anticipate the needs of the surgical team as well as the patient.

#### Prerequisites:

SURG1231; SURG1630; SURG2640; SURG2240; SURG2650; SURG2250; SURG2760; SURG2160 **Co-Requisites:** SURG2470

### SURG2573: Surgical Technology Clinical II

Credit Hours: 5.5 Clock Hours: 0/0/260

In this clinical experience will provide progressive exposure to and experience with diverse surgical procedures of elementary, intermediate, and advanced complexity performed in relation to the practice of surgical technology in multiple specialties within the clinical setting.

### SURG2640: Surgical Technology Theory II

Credit Hours: 6.5 Clock Hours: 120/0/0

This course provides a comprehensive overview of surgical instrumentation, equipment, and supplies and will survey case management concepts. Topics include basic and specialty surgical instrument uses and classifications, wound types and healing, fundamentals of surgical pathophysiology, and postoperative patient care. Critical thinking skills within the operative environment are discussed in the context of surgical anticipation, emergency management, and all-hazards preparation. Related medical/surgical terminology is integrated throughout the course.

Prerequisites: SURG1231; SURG1630 Co-Requisites: SURG2240

### SURG2650: Surgical Technology Procedures

Credit Hours: 6.5 Clock Hours: 120/0/0

This course will introduce students to surgery and primary surgical procedures within basic specialties including general, obstetric & gynecologic, ophthalmic, otorhinolaryngologic, oral and maxillofacial surgery, plastic and reconstructive, genitourinary, orthopedic, cardiothoracic, peripheral vascular, neurosurgery, and diagnostic procedures. Related medical/surgical terminology, anatomy, physiology, and pathophysiology are integrated throughout the course.

### Prerequisites:

SURG1231; SURG1630; SURG2640; SURG2240 **Co-Requisites:** SURG2250

### SURG2760: Surgical Technology Clinical I

#### Credit Hours: 7 Clock Hours: 0/0/320

In this clinical experience students will gain progressive exposure to and experience with diverse surgical procedures of varying complexity performed in relation to the practice of surgical technology in multiple specialties within the clinical setting. Students will apply critical thinking and surgical problem solving techniques in the field.

#### Prerequisites:

SURG1231; SURG1630; SURG2640; SURG2240; SURG2650; SURG2250 **Co-Requisites:** SURG2160

### SURG2763: Surgical Technology Clinical I

Credit Hours: 7 Clock Hours: 0/0/320

In this clinical experience will provide progressive exposure to and experience with diverse surgical procedures of elementary, intermediate, and advanced complexity performed in relation to the practice of surgical technology in multiple specialties within the clinical setting. The learning process is a systematic approach to critical thinking and surgical problem solving focused on the ability of the student surgical technologist to anticipate the needs of the surgical team as well as the patient.

### SURG2850: Surgical Technology Clinical I

Credit Hours: 8 Clock Hours: 0/0/360

This clinical experience will provide progressive exposure to and experience with diverse surgical procedures of elementary, intermediate, and advanced complexity performed in relation to the practice of surgical technology in multiple specialties within the clinical setting.

Prerequisites: SURG1160, SURG1360.

### 2024 Student Holidays

January 1, 2024	New Year's Day		
January 15, 2024	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day		
May 27, 2024	Memorial Day		
June 19, 2024	Juneteenth		
July 4, 2024	Independence Day		
September 2, 2024	Labor Day		
November 28, 2024	Thanksgiving Day		
November 29, 2024	Friday after Thanksgiving		
December 24, 2024	Christmas Eve		
December 25, 2024	Christmas Day		

### **Graduation Dates**

Graduation dates are estimated and may vary due to individual students' clinical/externship schedules.

### **Clinical Schedules**

Clinical rotations may consist of up to 12-hour shifts. Shift times may vary and may include weekends.

General Education classes may be morning and/or afternoon sessions or online.

### **Externship Schedules**

Externship schedules may consist of 4-8 hour shifts during the daytime.

### Hours of Operation

Administration: 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.; Monday - Thursday and 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.; Friday

Learning Resource Center - Please refer to posted hours.

### Dental Assistant 2023

Morning	Morning Classes		ng Classes	Evening	Classes
Start	Graduate	Start	Graduate	Start	Graduate
01/23/23	10/26/23	01/23/23	10/26/23	01/23/23	10/26/23
02/20/23	11/22/23	02/20/23	11/22/23	02/20/23	11/22/23
03/20/23	12/21/23	03/20/23	12/21/23	03/20/23	12/21/23
04/17/23	01/25/24	04/17/23	01/25/24	04/17/23	01/25/24
05/15/23	02/23/24	05/15/23	02/23/24	05/15/23	02/23/24
06/12/23	03/21/24	06/12/23	03/21/24	06/12/23	03/21/24
07/17/23	04/18/24	07/17/23	04/18/24	07/17/23	04/18/24
08/21/23	05/16/24	08/21/23	05/16/24	08/21/23	05/16/24
09/18/23	06/13/24	09/18/23	06/13/24	09/18/23	06/13/24
10/16/23	07/11/24	10/16/23	07/11/24	10/16/23	07/11/24

11/13/23	08/15/24	11/13/23	08/15/24	11/13/23	08/15/24
12/11/23	09/12/24	12/11/23	09/12/24	12/11/23	09/12/24

# Dental Assistant 2024

Morning	Morning Classes		Mid-Morning Classes		Classes
Start	Graduate	Start	Graduate	Start	Graduate
01/18/24	10/17/24	01/18/24	10/17/24	01/18/24	10/17/24
02/12/24	11/14/24	02/12/24	11/14/24	02/12/24	11/14/24
03/11/24	12/12/24	03/11/24	12/12/24	03/11/24	12/12/24
04/08/24	01/23/25	04/08/24	01/23/25	04/08/24	01/23/25
05/06/24	02/20/25	05/06/24	02/20/25	05/06/24	02/20/25
06/03/24	03/20/25	06/03/24	03/20/25	06/03/24	03/20/25
07/08/24	04/17/25	07/08/24	04/17/25	07/08/24	04/17/25
08/05/24	05/15/25	08/05/24	05/15/25	08/05/24	05/15/25
09/09/24	06/12/25	09/09/24	06/12/25	09/09/24	06/12/25
10/07/24	07/10/25	10/07/24	07/10/25	10/07/24	07/10/25
11/04/24	08/14/25	11/04/24	08/14/25	11/04/24	08/14/25
12/02/24	09/11/25	12/02/24	09/11/25	12/02/24	09/11/25

### Dental Assistant 2025

Morning	Morning Classes		ing Classes	Evening	Classes
Start	Graduate	Start	Graduate	Start	Graduate
01/13/25	10/16/25	01/13/25	10/16/25	01/13/25	10/16/25
02/10/25	11/13/25	02/10/25	11/13/25	02/10/25	11/13/25
03/10/25	12/11/25	03/10/25	12/11/25	03/10/25	12/11/25
04/07/25	01/22/26	04/07/25	01/22/26	04/07/25	01/22/26
05/05/25	02/19/26	05/05/25	02/19/26	05/05/25	02/19/26
06/02/25	03/19/26	06/02/25	03/19/26	06/02/25	03/19/26
07/07/25	04/16/26	07/07/25	04/16/26	07/07/25	04/16/26
08/04/25	05/14/26	08/04/25	05/14/26	08/04/25	05/14/26
09/08/25	06/11/26	09/08/25	06/11/26	09/08/25	06/11/26
10/06/25	07/09/26	10/06/25	07/09/26	10/06/25	07/09/26
11/03/25	08/13/26	11/03/25	08/13/26	11/03/25	08/13/26
12/01/25	09/10/26	12/01/25	09/10/26	12/02/25	09/10/26

# Medical Assistant 2024

Morning	Classes	Mid-Morning Classes		asses Mid-Morning Classes Afternoon Classes		n Classes	Evening Classes	
Start	Graduate	Start	Graduate	Start	Graduate	Start	Graduate	
01/18/24	08/29/24	01/18/24	08/29/24	01/18/24	08/29/24	01/18/24	08/29/24	
02/12/24	10/03/24	02/12/24	10/03/24	02/12/24	10/03/24	02/12/24	10/03/24	
03/11/24	10/31/24	03/11/24	10/31/24	03/11/24	10/31/24	03/11/24	10/31/24	
04/08/24	11/27/25	04/08/24	11/27/25	04/08/24	11/27/25	04/08/24	11/27/25	
05/06/24	01/09/25	05/06/24	01/09/25	05/06/24	01/09/25	05/06/24	01/09/25	

06/03/24	02/06/25	06/03/24	02/06/25	06/03/24	02/06/25	06/03/24	02/06/25
07/08/24	03/06/25	07/08/24	03/06/25	07/08/24	03/06/25	07/08/24	03/06/25
08/05/24	04/03/25	08/05/24	04/03/25	08/05/24	04/03/25	08/05/24	04/03/25
09/09/24	05/01/25	09/09/24	05/01/25	09/09/24	05/01/25	09/09/24	05/01/25
10/07/24	05/29/25	10/07/24	05/29/25	10/07/24	05/29/25	10/07/24	05/29/25
11/04/24	06/26/25	11/04/24	06/26/25	11/04/24	06/26/25	11/04/24	06/26/25
12/02/24	07/31/25	12/02/24	07/31/25	12/02/24	07/31/25	12/02/24	07/31/25

### Medical Assistant 2025

Morning	orning Classes Mid-Morning Classes		Afternoo	n Classes	Evening	Classes	
Start	Graduate	Start	Graduate	Start	Graduate	Start	Graduate
01/13/25	08/28/25	01/13/25	08/28/25	01/13/25	08/28/25	01/13/25	08/28/25
02/10/25	10/02/25	02/10/25	10/02/25	02/10/25	10/02/25	02/10/25	10/02/25
03/10/25	10/30/25	03/10/25	10/30/25	03/10/25	10/30/25	03/10/25	10/30/25
04/07/25	11/26/25	04/07/25	11/26/25	04/07/25	11/26/25	04/07/25	11/26/25
05/05/25	01/08/26	05/05/25	01/08/26	05/05/25	01/08/26	05/05/25	01/08/26
06/02/25	02/05/26	06/02/25	02/05/26	06/02/25	02/05/26	06/02/25	02/05/26
07/07/25	03/05/26	07/07/25	03/05/26	07/07/25	03/05/26	07/07/25	03/05/26
08/04/25	04/02/26	08/04/25	04/02/26	08/04/25	04/02/26	08/04/25	04/02/26
09/08/25	04/30/26	09/08/25	04/30/26	09/08/25	04/30/26	09/08/25	04/30/26
10/06/25	05/28/26	10/06/25	05/28/26	10/06/25	05/28/26	10/06/25	05/28/26
11/03/25	06/25/26	11/03/25	06/25/26	11/03/25	06/25/26	11/03/25	06/25/26
12/01/25	07/30/26	12/01/25	07/30/26	12/01/25	07/30/26	12/01/25	07/30/26

## Physical Therapist Assistant 2023

Start	Graduate
04/24/23	11/20/24

# Physical Therapist Assistant 2024

Start	Graduate
02/12/24	09/10/25
09/16/24	04/22/26

# Physical Therapist Assistant 2025

Start	Graduate	
04/21/25	11/25/26	

# Respiratory Therapy 2023

Start	Graduate
02/13/23	06/26/24
04/24/23	09/11/24

07/10/23	11/20/24
09/18/23	02/05/25
11/27/23	04/16/25

### Respiratory Therapy 2024

Start	Graduate
02/12/24	06/25/25
04/22/24	09/10/25
07/08/24	11/19/25
09/16/24	02/11/26
11/25/24	04/22/26

### Respiratory Therapy 2025

Start	Graduate
02/10/25	07/01/26
04/21/25	09/16/26
07/07/25	11/25/26
09/15/25	02/10/27

# Sterile Processing Technician 2025

Start	Graduate
02/10/25	05/29/25
09/08/25	01/08/26

### Surgical Technology A.S. 2023

Monday	g Classes 7 – Friday urs May Vary	Monda	g Classes y – Friday purs May Vary
Start	Graduate	Start	Graduate
04/24/23	09/11/24		
09/18/23	02/05/25		

\*Theory and Lab classes will vary by course schedule. On average a student will be on campus 4 hours a day, 5 days a week.

### Surgical Technology A.S. 2024

Monday	y Classes y – Friday urs May Vary	Monda	g Classes y – Friday vurs May Vary
Start	Graduate	Start	Graduate
02/12/24	06/25/25		
07/08/24	11/19/25		
11/25/24	04/22/26		

\*Theory and Lab classes will vary by course schedule. On average a student will be on campus 4 hours a day, 5 days a week.

### Surgical Technology A.S. 2025

Monday	Classes – Friday ırs May Vary	Monday	) Classes 7 – Friday urs May Vary
Start	Graduate	Start	Graduate
04/21/25	09/16/26		

\*Theory and Lab classes will vary by course schedule. On average a student will be on campus 4 hours a day, 5 days a week.

### Vocational Nursing 2023

Full-Time	Day Classes	Part-Time/We	ekend Classes
Start	Graduate	Start	Graduate
02/13/23	02/07/24	08/28/23	04/27/25
04/24/23	04/17/24		
07/10/23	06/26/24		
09/18/23	09/11/24		

### Vocational Nursing 2024

Full-Time	Day Classes	Part-Time/We	ekend Classes
Start	Graduate	Start	Graduate
02/12/24	02/05/25	04/29/24	12/21/25
04/22/24	04/16/25	08/26/24	04/26/26
07/08/24	06/25/25		
09/16/24	09/10/25		

### Vocational Nursing 2025

Full-Time	Day Classes	Part-Time/We	ekend Classes
Start	Graduate	Start	Graduate
02/10/25	02/11/26	01/26/25	09/16/26
04/21/25	04/22/26	05/05/25	11/25/26
07/07/25	07/01/26		
09/15/25	09/16/26		

# **Program Costs**

Program	Tuition	Textbooks <sup>1</sup> (estimated)	STRF <sup>2</sup>	Total <sup>4</sup>
Medical Assistant	\$18,907.00	\$ 541.00	s - s	19,448.00
Dental Assistant	\$17,483.00	\$ 761.00	s - s	18,244.00
Vocational Nursing - Weekend <sup>3</sup>	\$ 39,102.00	\$ 1,655.00	s - s	40,757.00
Vocational Nursing - Weekday <sup>3</sup>	\$ 34,979.00	\$ 1,655.00	s - s	36,634.00
Surgical Technology <sup>3</sup>	\$41,820.00	\$ 1,955.00	s - s	43,775.00
Respiratory Therapy <sup>3</sup>	\$ 49,932.00	\$ 2,270.00	s - s	52,202.00
Physical Therapist Assistant <sup>3</sup>	\$ 52,806.00	\$ 2,072.00	s - s	54,878.00
Sterile Processing Technician (Diploma) <sup>5</sup>	\$ 2,756.00	s -	s - s	2,756.00

#### Effective 08/27/2024

1. While Concorde offers these resources at below general market prices, these prices are subject to change based on market conditions beyond the control of Concorde. There may be certain situations when you may be able to purchase some of these items elsewhere from outside sources at a reduced cost. Students have the right to opt out of purchasing certain items from Concorde as long as they are able to obtain these resources prior to course start. A student's account will not be charged for any item the student chooses to purchase on their own. A list of books and supplies associated with your program of study can be found on the Concorde website (www.concorde.edu). A hard copy can be obtained from the campus upon request.

2. The State of California established the Student Tuition Recovery Fund (STRF) to relieve or mitigate economic loss suffered by a student in an educational program at a qualifying institution, who is or was a California resident while enrolled, or was enrolled in a residency program, if the student enrolled in the institution, prepaid tuition, and suffered an economic loss. Unless relieved of the obligation to do so, you must pay the state-imposed assessment for the STRF, or it must be paid on your behalf, if you are a student in an educational program, who is a California resident, or are enrolled in a residency program, and prepay all or part of your tuition.

You are not eligible for protection from the STRF and you are not required to pay the STRF assessment, if you are not a California resident, or are not enrolled in a residency program.

It is important that you keep copies of your enrollment agreement, financial aid documents, receipts, or any other information that documents the amount paid to the school. Questions regarding the STRF may be directed to the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education, 1747 N. Market Blvd., Suite 225, Sacramento, CA 95834, (916) 431-6959 or (888) 370-7589.

To be eligible for STRF, you must be a California resident or are enrolled in a residency program, prepaid tuition, paid or deemed to have paid the STRF assessment, and suffered an economic loss as a result of any of the following:

- The institution, a location of the institution, or an educational program offered by the institution was closed or discontinued, and you did not choose to participate in a teach-out plan approved by the Bureau or did not complete a chosen teach-out plan approved by the Bureau.
- You were enrolled at an institution or a location of the institution within the 120 day period before the closure of the institution or location of the institution, or were enrolled in an educational program within the 120 day period before the program was discontinued.
- You were enrolled at an institution or a location of the institution more than 120 days before the closure of the institution or location of the institution, in an educational program offered by the institution as to which the Bureau determined there was a significant decline in the quality or value of the program more than 120 days before closure.

- The institution has been ordered to pay a refund by the Bureau but has failed to do so.
- The institution has failed to pay or reimburse loan proceeds under a federal student loan program as required by law, or has failed to pay or reimburse proceeds received by the institution in excess of tuition and other costs.
- You have been awarded restitution, a refund, or other monetary award by an arbitrator or court, based on a violation of this chapter by an institution or representative of an institution, but have been unable to collect the award from the institution.
- You sought legal counsel that resulted in the cancellation of one or more of your student loans and have an invoice for services rendered and evidence of the cancellation of the student loan or loans.

To qualify for STRF reimbursement, the application must be received within four (4) years from the date of the action or event that made the student eligible for recovery from STRF.

A student whose loan is revived by a loan holder or debt collector after a period of noncollection may, at any time, file a written application for recovery from STRF for the debt that would have otherwise been eligible for recovery. If it has been more than four (4) years since the action or event that made the student eligible, the student must have filed a written application for recovery within the original four (4) year period, unless the period has been extended by another act of law.

However, no claim can be paid to any student without a social security number or a taxpayer identification number.

3. Application Fee of \$100.00 is required for this program. This fee is not part of the total program cost and is not refundable.

4. Total charges for a period of attendance and schedule for total charges for the entire educational program.

5. This program is not eligible for any Federal Financial Aid or VA programs.

INCIDENTAL FEES	
All incidental fees are the responsibility of the student and must be paid prior to receiving any item.	
Additional Diploma	\$10.00
*Transcripts are ordered through Parchment	\$10.00
Administrative Withdrawal Fee	\$100.00
Copies	\$0.10/copy
Proficiency Credit	\$50.00
Refresher Training	\$100.00
Repetition Fee (per credit hour)	50% of the cost per credit hour
Replacement Student ID Card	\$5.00
***Retest for Waitlist	\$60.00
Returned Check Fee	\$15.00

\*Subsequent official transcripts are ordered through Parchment.

\*\*In order to determine the cost per credit hour, divide the amount of tuition stated above by the total number of credit hours in your program.

\*\*\*Retake fee after passing all HESI cut scores to improve ranking.

Please view fees below:

### Digital Official Transcript through Parchment: \$7.50

### Printed Official Transcript through Parchment:

USPS Shipping: \$2.50 + \$7.50 = \$10.00

USPS International: \$5.00 + \$7.50 = \$12.50

FedEx Domestic: \$25.00 + \$7.50 = \$32.50

FedEx International: \$47.50 + \$7.50 = \$55.00

### Cost of Attendance

Your cost of attendance (COA) is an ESTIMATE of the expenses you may encounter while attending Concorde Career College. Your COA includes direct expenses such as tuition and fees, books, course materials supplies, and equipment, and indirect expenses such as living expenses, transportation and other miscellaneous personal expenses associated with your education.

Tuition and direct expenses vary by program and are listed above. The indirect expenses below are based off a 9-month academic year and may be prorated when academic years are shorter or longer. Indirect expenses reflect an average cost of the components that fall within the category. For additional cost of attendance budgets please contact the Financial Aid office.

Indirect Expenses - With Parents	
Food and Housing	\$10,125
Transportation	\$1,611
Personal	\$3.609

Indirect Expenses – Off Campus	
Food and Housing	\$19,431
Transportation	\$1,764
Personal	\$4,428

# Occupational Outcomes

DENTAL ASSISTANT 31-9091 - Dental Assistants

Assist dentist, set up equipment, prepare patient for treatment, and keep records.

Sample of reported job titles: Certified Dental Assistant (CDA), Certified Registered Dental Assistant, Dental Assistant (DA), Expanded Duty Dental Assistant (EDDA), Expanded Function Dental Assistant, Oral Surgery Assistant, Orthodontic Assistant (Ortho Assistant), Orthodontic Technician, Registered Dental Assistant (RDA), Surgical Dental Assistant

### MEDICAL ASSISTANT 31-9092- Medical Assistants

Perform administrative and certain clinical duties under the direction of a physician. Administrative duties may include scheduling appointments, maintaining medical records, billing, and coding information for insurance purposes. Clinical duties may include taking and recording, vital signs and medical histories, preparing patients for examination, drawing blood, and administering medications as directed by physician.

Sample of reported job titles: Certified Medical Assistant (CMA), Chiropractor Assistant, Clinical Assistant, Doctor's Assistant, Medical Assistant (MA), Medical Office Assistant, Ophthalmic Technician, Optometric Assistant, Optometric Technician, Registered Medical Assistant (RMA)

### PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT

### 31-2021 – Physical Therapist Assistants

Assist physical therapists in providing physical therapy treatments and procedures. May, in accordance with state laws, assist in the development of treatment plans, carry out routine functions, document the progress of treatment, and modify specific treatments in accordance with patient status and within the scope of treatment plans established by a physical therapist. Generally requires formal training.

Sample of reported job titles: Certified Physical Therapist Assistant (CPTA), Home Health Physical Therapist Assistant, Licensed Physical Therapist Assistant (LPTA), Outpatient Physical Therapist Assistant, Per Diem Physical Therapist Assistant (Per Diem PTA), Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA), Physical Therapist Assistant and Nurse Aide, Physical Therapy Assistant (PTA), Physical Therapy Technician (Physical Therapy Tech), Staff Physical Therapy Assistant

### RESPIRATORY THERAPY

29-1126.00 - Respiratory Therapists

Assess, treat, and care for patients with breathing disorders. Assume primary responsibility for all respiratory care modalities, including the supervision of respiratory therapy technicians. Initiate and conduct therapeutic procedures; maintain patient records; and select, assemble, check, and operate equipment.

Sample of reported job titles: Cardiopulmonary Rehabilitation Respiratory Therapist, Cardiopulmonary Technician and EEG Tech (Cardiopulmonary Technician and Electroencephalogram Technician), Certified Respiratory Therapist (CRT), Clinical Coordinator of Respiratory Therapy, Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT), Respiratory Care Practitioner (RCP), Respiratory Therapist (RT), Respiratory Therapy Director, Staff Respiratory Therapist, Staff Therapist

### STERILE PROCESSING TECHNICIAN

31-9093: Medical Equipment Preparers/Sterile Processing Technician

Prepare, sterilize, install, or clean laboratory or healthcare equipment. May perform routine laboratory tasks and operate or inspect equipment.

*Sample of reported job titles*: Medical Equipment Preparers/Sterile Processing Technician, and Central Services Technician

### SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY

29-2055 – Surgical Technologists

Assist in operations, under the supervision of surgeons, registered nurses, or other surgical personnel. May help set up operating room, prepare and transport patients for surgery, adjust lights and equipment, pass instruments and other supplies to surgeons and surgeons' assistants, hold retractors, cut sutures, and help count sponges, needles, supplies, and instruments.

Sample of reported job titles: Certified Surgical Tech/First Assistant, Certified Surgical Technician, Certified Surgical Technologist (CST), Operating Room Surgical Technician (OR St), Operating Room Technician (OR Tech), Operating Room Technologist (OR Tech), Surgical Scrub Technician, Surgical Scrub Technologist (Surgical Scrub Tech), Surgical Technician, Surgical Technologist (Surgical Tech)

### VOCATIONAL NURSING

29-2061 – Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses

Care for ill, injured, or convalescing patients or persons with disabilities in hospitals, nursing homes, clinics, private homes, group homes, and similar institutions. May work under the supervision of a registered nurse. Licensing required.

Sample of reported job titles: Charge Nurse; Clinic Licensed Practical Nurse (CLINIC LPN); Clinic Nurse; Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN); Licensed Practical Nurse, Clinic Nurse (LPN, Clinic Nurse); Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN); Office Nurse; Pediatric Licensed Practical Nurse (PEDIATRIC LPN); Private Duty Nurse; Triage Licensed Practical Nurse (TRIAGE LPN)

# Personnel

# Administration

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Name	Education/Credentials	Title
Holland, Frederick	MBA, University of Redlands; BA, California State University, San Bernardino	Campus President ADA/504 Coordinator
Guevara, Walter	MS, BS, AS West Coast University, BS Colorado Technical University: NCMA	Director of Operations
LaGrasta Sundy, Marie	AA, Pierce College	Administrative Assistant
Eskichyan, David		Receptionist
Umana, Lyane		Receptionist
Fick, Robert	M.S. ED, CCMA	Registrar

# <u>Admissions</u>

Name	Education/Credentials	Title
Gueco, Allan		Director of Admissions
Price, Kelli		Admissions Coordinator
Acosta, Kevin	BA University of Redlands	Admissions Representative
Diaz, Ron	BS Devry University	Admissions Representative
Engersbach, Brandin	BA University of California, Santa Cruz	Senior Admissions Representative
Guiterrez, Yvonne		Admissions Representative
Ortiz, Maria		Admissions Representative
Thompson, Saint		Admissions Representative

### **Business Office**

Name	Education/Credentials	Title
Loring, Vara	MBA	Manager

# Dental Assistant Program

Name	Education/Credentials	Title
Massey, Jill	RDA	Director
Brown, Yvette		Instructor
Fraijo, Jessica	RDA	Instructor/Extern Coordinator
Holt, Sebastian		Instructor (Part-Time)
Ibe, Mary	RDA, RDH	Instructor
Manzano Reyes, Zaide	BS California State University, Northridge	Instructor

# **Education**

Name	Education/Credentials	Title
	MHA West Coast University; BS Colorado Technical University; NCMA	Academic Dean

Banning, CJ		Academic Technology & Media Coordinator
Torrente, lan	BS, Masters University	Online Success Coach
	AA Social and Behavioral Sciences, Pierce College	VN Admin Assistant

# Financial Aid

Name	Education/Credentials	Title
Stein, Cynthia	BS, Kaplan University	Director
Romero, Karla		Senior Financial Aid Advisor
Sanchez, Martha		Financial Aid Advisor
Zesatti, Albert	AA, Southern California International College	Senior Financial Aid Advisor

# **General Education**

Name	Education/Credentials	Title
Talai, Randy	BS, MS, DC	Instructor

# Medical Assistant Program

Name	Education/Credentials	Title
Delgado, Rosa	CPhT	Program Director
Howard, Francis		Externship Coordinator
Covarrubias, Melinda	Diploma Bryman	Instructor (Part-Time)
King, Daniel	CMA, X-ray Tech	Instructor
Rivera, Jose	MA Diploma, UEI College	Instructor
Rodriguez, Reina	AS Business Administration, Argosy University	Instructor (Part-Time)

# Physical Therapist Assistant Program

Name	Education/Credentials	Title
Verba, Yelena	Transitional DPT, University of Saint Augustine Health Sciences; BS, Hunter College; License in Physical Therapy, Certificate in Competency Based Cervicogenic Dizziness, Certificate in Competency Based Vestibular Rehabilitation	Director
Berchenko, Elena	Master of Physical Therapy, CSUN	Clinical Coordinator
Karapetyan, Lusine	MA, California State University Northridge; Doctorate, Western University of Health Sciences; BA, University of California Irvine	Instructor
Karzariats, Roman	MBA, American Public University System	Instructor

Mankiewicz, Jan	MBA, BS Western Governors	Instructor
	University	

### Respiratory Therapy Program

Name	Education/Credentials	Title
	MS, BS Independence University, AS Concorde Career College	Program Director
Patel, Rajesh	MS Grantham University, BS Pima Medical Institute	Clinical Director
Vanetsyan, Levon	RCP, RRT, BS, USCB	Instructor
Kregal, James	AAS, Genesee Community College	Instructor
Scharf, Cheryl	RCP	Instructor
Syphus, Tony	AS Respiratory Therapy, Concorde	Instructor

### Sterile Processing Technician

Name	Education/Credentials	Title
,	BS, Excelsior College Pending Completion	Program Director

# Student Affairs

Name	Education/Credentials	Title
Simon, Loni	BS	Director Title IX Coordinator <u>lsimon@concorde.edu</u>
Aikens, Jonathan		
Gruber, Robert	MA	Graduate Employment Specialist
Prater, Kondwani	BS	Graduate Employment Specialist
Ramirez, Crystal	BS California State University, Northridge	Re-entry Advisor

# Surgical Technology Program

Name	Education/Credentials	Title
,	BS, Excelsior College Pending completion	Program Director
George, Vicki		Clinical Coordinator
Warren, Tracy		Instructor

# Vocational Nursing Program

Name	Education/Credentials	Title
	Ms & BS, University of Phoenix, PhD, Isaiah University	Program Director of Nursing

Wilcher, Stephanie	MSS Strategic Studies, U.S. Army War College, MBA, Webster University, BSN, Oregon Health Science University	Associate Director of Nursing
Eaton, Rochelle	RN, BSN, MSN, University of Phoenix	Licensure Readiness Advisor
Gremillion, Dianne	BS University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center	Licensure Readiness Advisor
Milanka, Nikolic	Diploma, Concorde Career College	Licensure Readiness Nursing Tutor
Bordeaux, Aerain	BS Azusa Pacific University	Instructor
Burton, Richard	Doctorate, Regis College	Substitute
Caldwell, Andreshea	MS University of Southern California, BS University of Alabama	NCLEX Nursing Tutor
Cristobal, Tess	RN, BSN, MS	Instructor
Curtis, Deborah	Doctorate, MS, BS, UCLA: BS CSU, Long Beach	Instructor
Hewitt, Stephanie	MS LIU, BS Rutgers, AS Medgar Evers College	Instructor
Khosrowabadi, Tara	RN, BS, UCLA	Instructor
Lim, Michael	RN, BSN, CSU Northridge, CA	Instructor
Linton, Deborah	MS Charlie Drew University, BA Western Governors University	Instructor
Jarrett, Deborah	Doctorate, Walden University, BS University of Technology, Jamaica	Instructor
Martinez, Charles	BS Azusa Pacific University	Instructor
Reyes, Sharon	BS University of Phoenix	Substitute
Rutley, Kim	MS, MA, BS, BA University of Alabama	Instructor
Sandell, Rochelle	MS, BS Indiana University of Pennsylvania	Instructor
Sargsyan, Hasmik	Doctorate, Yerevan State Medical University	Instructor
Simmons, Deborah	MS, BS University of Phoenix, AS Los Angeles Southwest College	Instructor
Smith Leroy	MBA, Mount St, Mary's College; BS University of Phoenix (CA)	Instructor
Tabotabo, Charisse	Doctoral, University of San Diego, MS University of San Diego	NCLEX Nursing Tutor
Thorpe, Emma	BS Chamberlain University, AS North Country Community College	Instructor
Thronburg, Michelle	MS Western Governors University, BS, AS Purdue University	Instructor
Torrente, Rogelio	BS, PMI Colleges	Instructor