

Goodwin University

Patient Care Associate Certificate Program

Build a future that begins with compassion

Are you ready to make a real difference in someone's life? As a patient care associate (PCA), you won't just work in healthcare — you'll be a lifeline for people who need care the most. At Goodwin University, our Patient Care Associate certificate program gives you hands-on skills and patient-focused training to succeed in this caring, people-first job.

Become an in-demand professional

Patient care associate (PCAs) combine clinical skills and compassion to support patients on their healthcare journeys. As a key member of a healthcare team, you'll help with daily activities, collect lab samples, monitor vital signs, assist with procedures, and provide emotional support to those in your care.

At Goodwin University, our PCA program teaches you strong clinical skills through expert teachers and a career-focused curriculum — preparing you for professional success. Better still, you may qualify for CNA training at little to no out-of-pocket cost!*

Beyond the basics

At Goodwin, preparing you to compete in today's job market is our priority. After completing the first module, PCA students earn their CNA license — and that's just the beginning. Our program is intentionally built to guide you through advanced, in-demand skills like EKG and phlebotomy, helping you grow your expertise and open doors to more career opportunities in healthcare.



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A flexible path to your future

Earning your certificate can be hard, especially when you have other responsibilities. That's why we offer flexible options so you can complete your Patient Care Associate courses in a way that works best for you.

Choose the schedule that fits your life:

- Part-time
- Full-time
- Day classes
- Evening classes

No matter when you learn, Goodwin will support you to help you succeed in your career!

Career outcomes

When you earn your Patient Care Associate certificate at Goodwin, you will gain the knowledge and skills to work in many healthcare settings, such as:

- Assisted living communities
- Doctors' offices and specialty clinics
- Home healthcare agencies
- Hospice care centers
- Hospitals
- Outpatient clinics
- Long-term care facilities (like nursing homes)
- Rehabilitation centers
- And more!

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Scan the QR code below to contact us and learn more!



Navigate your success

While working toward your future career, you'll have access to the student-centered resources you deserve, including:

- Academic Advising
- Academic Success Center (ASC)
- Ann B. Clark Co-op
- Career Services
- Counseling and mental health services
- Disability and Access Services
- Financial aid
- Veteran Services
- And more!

Goodwin University is a nonprofit institution of higher education and is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE).

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*Income guidelines apply



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