

CCMA ELIGIBLE PROGRAM, ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE DEGREE

Financial Aid Eligible
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The Medical Assisting program includes specific business and clinical courses that prepare students for employment as clinical and/or administrative assistants in medical offices, clinics, or in related medical and business fields. The coursework can be completed in two semesters, and includes on-the-job experience in a medical office or ambulatory care center.

Orange Coast College is accredited by the Accreditation Commission of Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). Such accreditation permits graduates of this program to take the California Certified Medical Assistant examination (CCMA) immediately upon graduation. The California Certifying Board for Medical Assistants has been administering the CCMA exam since 1990. CCMA is one of three Boards that is recognized by the Medical Board of California. The medical assisting profession is highly diversified, and the work is challenging and personally rewarding. Employment opportunities are excellent in the expanding health care field.

Program Admission

Allied Health 010 course – application and orientation

Program Outcome

- The graduates of the program will be prepared for entry-level employment as a professional and competent Medical Assistant to meet the needs of the local health care community.

Complete the Medical Assisting CCMA Certificate of Achievement and the Associate in Science graduation requirements as outlined in the Graduation Requirements section of the catalog.

Associate in Science Degree Requirements

- UNIT REQUIREMENT** - 60 UNITS, with at least a 2.0 grade point average. At least 12 of the units must be earned at OCC, with a minimum of one course taken for a letter grade. At least 3 units in an advanced course from the program must be completed at OCC. A student must be enrolled at the time of application for graduation. Units earned at an accredited college or university on a credit/no credit basis will be counted toward the degree requirements of the college, to a maximum of 15 units.
- MAJOR REQUIREMENT** - Complete the AA or AS major requirements as detailed in the Degree and Certificate section of this catalog.
- MATHEMATICS REQUIREMENT** - Demonstrate competence in mathematics by either obtaining a satisfactory grade (grade of "C" or better or "pass") in a mathematics course at or above the level of Intermediate Algebra as demonstrated by prior coursework, or by demonstrating competency that is comparable through the completion of a college-level math course that has Intermediate

Algebra as a prerequisite: Psychology A160 or Math A100 or higher, with the exception of Math A220.

- GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENT** - Students may choose to complete Option 1 (OCC AA GE) (<https://catalog.cccd.edu/orange-coast/general-education-patterns/associate-arts-general-education-option-1/>), Option 1 (OCC AS GE) (<https://catalog.cccd.edu/orange-coast/general-education-patterns/associate-science-general-education-option-1/>), Option 2 (CSU GE) (<https://catalog.cccd.edu/orange-coast/general-education-patterns/associate-degree-general-education-option-2/>), or Option 3 (IGETC (<https://catalog.cccd.edu/orange-coast/general-education-patterns/associate-degree-general-education-option-3/>)) (<https://catalog.cccd.edu/orange-coast/general-education-patterns/associate-degree-general-education-option-3/>) to satisfy the general education requirement. See the General Education Patterns section of this catalog for more information.

Required Prerequisites

All prerequisite courses must be completed prior to admission into the program.

Course	Title	Units
ALH A010 or ALH A012	Health Occupations Health Occupations for Dental and Medical Assisting	0.5
ALH A111	Medical Terminology	3
BIOL A221	Anatomy-Physiology	4
Total Units		7.5

Course	Title	Units
Year 1		
Fall		
ALH A115	Patient Care	2.5
MA A150	Medical Assisting Core	3
MA A175	Administrative Medical Assisting I	3
MA A181	Clinical Medical Assisting I	5
	Units	13.5
Spring		
ALH A120	Human Diseases	2
MA A205	Administrative Medical Assisting 2	5
MA A281	Medical Assisting Clinical Experience	3.5
MA A289	Clinical Medical Assisting II Specialty Procedures	0.5
	Units	11
	Total Units	24.5

Requirement	Units
Program Major Units	24.5
AS General Education Option 1, 2, or 3	Varies
Transferable electives to satisfy unit requirement	Varies
Total Degree Units	60

CCMA Eligible Program Suggested Electives

Course	Title	Units
ALH A130	Applied Pharmacology	3
BUS A138	Business English	3
PHIL A120	Ethics	3