

# HEALTH & SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

**Are you passionate about making an impact in your community in a meaningful way?** Find your path to the rewarding and fulfilling career that meets your desire to make a difference in the lives of others through an Okanagan College Health and Social Development program. You'll be trained and mentored by industry professionals in state-of-the-art facilities designed to authentically simulate real-world work environments. The needs of communities are ever evolving and we're here to ensure you get the up-to-date theoretical, technical, and practical experience you'll need to be in high demand.



*"My experience in the Health Care Assistant Program has provided me the skills and knowledge necessary to care for others in their most vulnerable time of life. I could not have had the confidence to pursue this career without the support of my instructors at OC. This has inspired and encouraged me to continue my journey into Practical Nursing where I can continue to care for others in need."*

- Annie Stevenson, Student

Where does your passion lie? Graduates of Okanagan College's Health and Social Development programs are making significant contributions and having lasting positive impacts in the areas of health care and social development. Our grads are enjoying sought after careers in hospital and community nursing, long-term care, home care, social services, non-profit societies, children's daycare and more. Many graduates use their Health and Social Development certifications as a foundation on which to build their diploma, degree and post-graduate credentials.



*"Being able to say that I am a graduate from OC is one of my biggest accomplishments. It's given me the opportunity to find a job and have multiple offers without any stress. Employers see that you are an OC alumni and always speak highly of the College. They trust that you have had the best education and training."*

- Taylor Herron, Alumni, Certified Dental Assistant program

There are distinct advantages to choosing Okanagan College. In our Health and Social Development programs, there are a **wide array of fields** to explore. You'll enjoy **optimal class sizes**, where **enduring relationships** with your cohort are developed, and **one-on-one interactions** with your instructors are facilitated. We take your unique needs into consideration with **affordable tuition** and **flexible** program delivery options. A Health and Social Development **certificate** or **diploma** shows employers that you have the **practical skills** and **essential knowledge** necessary to start contributing to their organization on day one.

## FAST FACTS: OKANAGAN COLLEGE HEALTH SCIENCES CENTRE

- **State-of-the-art facility** opened at Kelowna campus in September 2021
- Its **2,822 square-metres of learning space** reflects industry workplaces
- Cutting-edge learning environments feature the **latest education technology** and industry tools

## CREDENTIALS

Whether you're embarking on the route towards a meaningful profession, upgrading your skill set, or looking for a career change, we've got the program to help you pave the path to your goals. An Okanagan College Health and Social Development qualification is the foundation on which to build your career from the ground up, or to take it to new heights. Connect with a representative of our Education Advising team to find out how we can assist in making your vision a reality.

## POST-BACCALAUREATE

- Diploma in Health Analytics

## DIPLOMAS

- Practical Nursing Diploma
- Early Childhood Education (ECE) Diploma
- Human Service Work Diploma
- Kinesiology Diploma
- Therapist Assistant Diploma

## CERTIFICATES

- Certified Dental Assistant Certificate
- Early Childhood Education (ECE) Certificate
- Health Care Assistant Certificate
- Pharmacy Technician Certificate
- Recreation Therapist Assistant Certificate

## HEALTH CERTIFICATES OFFERED THROUGH CONTINUING STUDIES

- Dental Office Administrative Assistant
- Gastroenterology Nursing
- LPN Orthopaedic
- Medical Device Reprocessing Technician
- Medical office Assistant
- Nursing Unit Assistant
- PeriAnesthesia Nursing



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