

GUIDED PATHWAY: HEALTH PROFESSIONS READINESS I (HPRA I)

HEALTH SCIENCES CAREER PATH



For more information, visit the [Dallas College Health Professions Readiness webpage](http://www.dcccd.edu/HealthReadiness) [www.dcccd.edu/HealthReadiness] and your academic advisor at the El Centro Campus.

This is an example course sequence for students interested in pursuing Health Professions Readiness I Skills Achievement Award (HPRA I). It does not represent a contract, nor does it guarantee course availability. Following this pathway will help you earn a Health Professions Readiness I Skills Achievement Award (HPRA I). Students must earn at least 25% of the credit hours required for graduation through instruction by Dallas College. See catalog for [official certificate requirements](#).

The Health Professions Readiness I Skills Achievement Award (HPRA I) is a skills achievement award that prepares students for entry into the healthcare workforce and the Health Professions Readiness Award II. The HPRA I provides didactic instruction and lab experience in the essential healthcare workforce skills of wellness theory, attitude development, the impact of cultural beliefs, patient care skills, safety issues, patient monitoring, health documentation, and the management concepts necessary for effective health professions operations.

This award promotes student success in the allied health program of their choice, prepares students for application to multiple programs, and results in the acquisition of demonstrable workforce skills for graduates of the program. The HPRA I is an industry recognized, portable credential that certifies essential skills needed for workplace success. Courses that complete the award are noted below.

NOTE: Students enrolling in this certificate's courses who plan to transfer to a four-year institution should consult an advisor or counselor regarding transfer requirements and the transferability of these courses to the four-year institution of their choice. Students pursuing this certificate are waived from the [Texas Success Initiative \(TSI\)](#) standards but must meet course prerequisites.

Catalog Year	2020-2021	You may use this pathway if you entered Dallas College on or before this date.
Degree Type	Skills Achievement Award	
GPA Requirement	Student must earn a GPA of 2.0 or higher	
TSI	May be Exempt	

SEMESTER-BY-SEMESTER MAP FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS

All plans can be modified to fit the needs of part-time students. This is not an official degree plan. See catalog for [official degree requirements](#).

CERTIFICATE MINIMUM: 6 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS

SEMESTER 1

Total Hours: 6

[HPRS 1202](#) – Wellness and Health Promotion

[HPRS 1204](#) – Basic Health Professions Skills

[HPRS 2231](#) – General Health Professions Management

SEMESTER 1 ACTION ITEMS

1. Meet with your advisor to confirm academic and career goals before the end of the semester.
2. Meet with a career advisor or coach to research your career options and opportunities for job shadowing.
3. Meet with your advisor to apply for the Health Professionals Readiness I Skills Achievement Award.
4. Complete Health Professions Readiness Award I Award Completion Form and submit it to the Health Occupations Admissions Office (HOAO).

PATHWAY TOTAL: 6 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS