



TURN YOUR CARING NATURE
INTO A REWARDING CAREER

Medication Aide (CMA)

WASHBURNTECH
UNIVERSITY

[HEALTH OCCUPATIONS]

Caring for others and their well-being is central to what a certified medication aide is all about! A CMA typically works in a long-term care facility, administering medication and treatments to patients in a safe and prescribed manner. CMA is often a prerequisite for advanced training, allowing you to climb the healthcare ladder.

LEARNING AT WASHBURN TECH

The medication aide (CMA) course introduces the basic concepts of medication administration including drug classifications, drug action and nursing implications for specific drugs. You will gain hands-on experience by working in a clinical setting. High school seniors, who are at least 18 years old, as well as adult students are eligible to enroll in this five-credit-hour course. Upon completion, you will be prepared to take the Medication Aide Certification exam from the Kansas Department of Aging and Disability Services. However, as stipulated by law, you must be 18 years of age to take the certification exam. Please note: this short-term course is not eligible for financial aid or commencement.

JOB AND SALARY OUTLOOK

Kansas Department of Labor expects demand for medication aides to grow by 8 percent

between 2020 and 2030. According to KDOL, the average entry-level salary is \$16.03 an hour or \$33,350 annually. The average is \$21.75 an hour or \$45,239 annually.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You must have a current Kansas CNA license to enroll. Students are required to take the Accuplacer assessment exam and score a 5 in math and reading. Other assessments or college coursework can be accepted in place of Accuplacer. See an admissions counselor for details. You must complete an application, submit a copy of official transcripts as well as your social security number. Please ask an admissions counselor about the age requirement.

CERTIFICATIONS

+ Certified Medication Aide

Build your best self.

TALK TO AN ADMISSIONS
COUNSELOR TODAY!

785.670.2200

CAREERS AS A CMA »

- + healthcare
- + home plus
- + nursing home
- + assisted living
- + clinics
- + in-home care
- + hospice
- + corrections facility
- + any long-term care setting



COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

CMA

The Certified Medication Aide (CMA) course is designed for the person seeking work in a long-term care facility.

The CMA course introduces the student to basic concepts of medication administration including drug classification, drug action and nursing implications for specific drugs. Students participate in hands-on experiences in a clinic setting.

Upon completion of the course, students are eligible to receive a Medication Aide certificate after passing the Kansas Department of Aging and Disability Services exam. Prerequisite: CNA Certification

ENROLLMENT OPTIONS

The Certified Medication Aide (CMA) course is offered at varying times throughout the year. For more information, contact Washburn Tech Admissions Office by calling 785.670.2200 or send an email to tech-info@washburn.edu.



APPLICATION CHECKLIST



**MEET WITH
ADMISSIONS**



**TAKE
ACCUPLACER**



**SUBMIT
TRANSCRIPT(S)**



**ENROLL IN
COURSE**

2025-2026 PROGRAM COSTS (Estimated)

	ADULT
Tuition	\$825
All other fees	\$424
TOTAL	\$1,249

ADDITIONAL CHARGES (Estimated)

	ADULT
Tools/Books	\$0

MORE INFO »

For more programs, enrollment and course schedule information, please contact Admissions.

CALL 785.670.2200

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