

PERSONAL SUPPORT WORKER (PSPG)

Ontario College Certificate | 2 semesters | Barrydowne

An aging population, shorter hospital stays, and increased costs for long-term care are creating an increased demand for personal support workers (PSWs). Cambrian will prepare you to work as a PSW in just eight months through three clinical practicums and hands-on training in the College's state-of-the-art simulation lab and nursing lab.

You will become prepared to assist clients with activities of daily living and contribute to the quality of life of individuals who live in a facility or community setting by promoting their independence, dignity, social, emotional and physical well-being, mobility, personal appearance, comfort, and safety.

As a graduate, you may be able to bridge into Cambrian's Practical Nursing program to further enhance your career options.

Program Highlights

- 1 year – 2 semesters
- Three placements: two in a long-term care setting or hospital and another in a community setting
- Hands-on training in the 1,200-square-foot PSW simulation lab, as well as the nursing lab
- Qualified graduates can bridge into the second semester of Cambrian's Practical Nursing program

Fieldwork/Placement

You must complete 192 hours of supervised placement in an approved long-term care facility and 60 hours of precepted placement in a community home care agency.

Capped Enrolment

Quick Links

How to Apply (<http://cambriancollege.ca/apply>)

Health Sciences, Nursing, and Emergency Services (<http://cambriancollege.ca/field-of-study/health-sciences-nursing-emergency-services>)

Admission Requirements

For graduates of the new curriculum (OSS): Ontario Secondary School Diploma (30 credits) or equivalent or mature student status, including:

- Any grade 12 English (C), (U), or (M)
- Any grade 11 or 12 mathematics (C), (U), or (M)

Recommended:

- any grade 12 Biology (C), (U), or (M)

Additional Information

At registration students must provide:

- Proof of current immunization
- Proof (original certificate) of CPR HCP and Standard First Aid

- Original copy of an Adult Criminal Record Check with Vulnerable Sectors Check

Registered students must:

- Complete Cambrian College WHMIS, General Safety Awareness course (online approximately \$10)
- Details to be provided at the beginning of second semester
- Complete Cambrian College GPA course when offered by program prior to first placement. Details to be provided at orientation.

Location

This program may also be offered through the Espanola or Little Current campus locations in the future. For further information, please contact Kerridwen Harvey at (705) 368-3194 or (705) 869-4113.

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Program Delivery

2018-2019

This program will be delivered in the following terms

Winter Term Start

1. SEMESTER 1 Winter 2019
2. SEMESTER 2 Summer 2019

2019-2020

This program will be delivered in the following terms

Fall Term Start

1. SEMESTER 1 Fall 2019
2. SEMESTER 2 Winter 2020

Winter Term Start

1. SEMESTER 1 Winter 2020
2. SEMESTER 2 Summer 2020

For specific term start/end dates and other key dates/deadlines, please see the Academic Schedule (<http://cambriancollege.ca/apply/how-to-apply/academic-schedule>) on our website.

Program of Study

| Semester 1 | | Credits |
|------------|------------------------------------|---------|
| ENG 1121 | Research & Writing/Health Sciences | 3 |
| PSW 1007 | Health Promotion Practice I | 4 |
| PSW 1111 | Human Relations | 3 |
| PSW 1113 | Health Promotion Theory I | 3 |
| PSW 1135 | Supervised Practicum I | 6 |
| PSW 1142 | Lifespan Health I | 2 |
| PSW 1146 | Foundations of PSW I | 2 |
| Credits | | 23 |
| Semester 2 | | |
| PSW 1000 | Technical Concepts Health Care | 3 |
| PSW 1008 | Health Promotion Practice II | 4 |
| PSW 1009 | Lifespan Health II | 3 |
| PSW 1114 | Health Promotion Theory II | 3 |
| PSW 1117 | Pharmacology for PSW | 2 |
| PSW 1118 | Foundations for PSW II | 3 |
| PSW 1255 | Precepted Community Practicum | 4 |

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| PSW 1256 | Supervised Practicum II | 6 |
| | Credits | 28 |
| | Total Credits | 51 |

Fees

Tuition and Ancillary Fees

Please see our fees page (<http://cambriancollege.ca/fees>) for the breakdown of tuition and mandatory ancillary fees by program and semester for both domestic and international students

Books & Supplies

The cost of books and supplies for Year 1 is approximately \$1,600. This is the best information available at the time of publishing to the website and is subject to change.

Graduate Options

Employment Opportunities

Graduates of the Personal Support Worker program may find employment in a community setting, long-term care facilities, or hospital setting.

Furthering Your Studies

Effective 2015, graduates of the Cambrian PSW program who maintain a 3.00 GPA may be eligible to bridge directly to the second semester of the Practical Nursing program provided there is capacity. To qualify for this opportunity, students will take a minimum number of pathway requirements to ensure all admission and first semester Practical Nursing learning outcomes are met. For more information, please contact the program coordinator.

Contacts

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