

The Patient Care Pathway introduces and prepares students for a variety of careers in the medical field while utilizing cutting edge equipment such as virtual dissection Anatomage table to teach students medical terminology, anatomy/physiology, human injury, diseases, and disorders, and more.

Students receive mentorship from industry professionals and medical career training to prepare students for medical internships and entry-level medical jobs they can pursue directly after high school. The Patient Care Pathway gives students a competitive edge in their preparation for college and career.

Students can earn college credit for Medical Core with Santa Ana College, as well as earn their bi-literacy seal upon completion of Spanish Four Patient Care.

To sign up for a Patient Care Pathway course, contact your Canyon counselor today!

"The Patient Care
Pathway is a great way to
discover your desired
career path and gives you
a step-by-step plan to
reach your goals. It
enhances the skills
needed to be professional
in any field."
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Class of 2020

Canyon Sports Medicine Community Partner

Cal-HOSA Future Health Professional, UCI Medical Center, Dr. Bob Yin with St, Joseph's Hospital, Dr. Chris Koutures with Active Kid MD, Yang Optometric, California Rehabilitation, Noble Chiropractic, Sports Conditioning and Rehabilitation, Well Street Psychological, Anaheim Hills Village Dentistry, B&B Pharmacy, Santa Ana College, Santiago Community College, Sunrise Pet Hospital, Dr. Eduardo Correa (Pediatric Dentistry), and more!





Sample Four-Year Plan

The table below represents a sample four-year plan sequencing the required classes to be a Patient Care Pathway completer. Students must complete a level 02 & 03 course to be a pathway completer and earn a tassel to wear at graduation. Students should work closely with their counselors to incorporate appropriate honors, IB and AP courses, as well as other graduation and A-G required courses.



Course Type	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
Patient Care	Career Focus Medical	Medical Core	Body Systems & Disorders	Spanish 4 Patient Care, Pharmacy Technician, or Professional Internship

Patient Care Pathway Course Descriptions:

Career Focus Medical (01): Explores various careers in the medical and health industry and prepares students for entry-level jobs. Students learn the requirements and opportunities for post-secondary education and develop a career/life plan.

Medical Core UC-G (02): Deepens student knowledge of medical terminology, human growth & development, body systems, common diseases and disorders, medical math, and bio-safety. Students gain practical experience in Vital Signs, Emergency Medical Care, First Aid, & CPR.

Body Systems & Disorders UC-G (03): This class covers human anatomy and physiology, normal body system functions, and diseases and disorders of those systems.

UCI Hospital Internship (03): A semester internship course that meets Monday-Thursday, 3:15-5:45 p.m. at the CEC Campus and UCI Medical Center. Students practice patient care skills in the learning lab and gain hands-on experience with UCI Medical Center patients and staff.

UCCI Spanish 4 Patient Care UC-E (03): A level four Spanish course that prepares medical caregivers to communicate with Spanish-speaking patients using medical terminology, anatomy, physiology, & patient assessment, fusing the medical responder with the medical communicator. Students can earn their Bi-literacy seal.

Pharmacy Technician UC-G (03): A blended online and in-seat Pharmacy Technician curriculum that prepares students for a career as a Pharmacy Technician. The PassAssured online learning curriculum prepares students to take the Pharmacy Technician Certification Exam (PTCE).

Professional Internship (03): Allows students to apply academic knowledge and 21st-century employability skills in a workplace setting. Students will prepare job readiness documents and interview at an assigned site before interning with a local Canyon Business Partner.

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