# Personal Support Worker Course Descriptions

### **Persuasive Writing CS007**

With a thematic focus on current issues, this course will help learners to express themselves clearly, correctly and persuasively in written form. Learners will also engage in analytical reading and critical thinking through assigned readings and discussions on a variety of topics. The course will also help learners to effectively compile and present research in essay form according to the APA style of documentation.

### Supportive Care Theory I PW101

This course is designed to provide the learner with information that will enable them to provide support to the consumer/client in their role as Personal Support Worker. The learner will be introduced to the basic concepts of care that guide their role as a member of an interprofessional team. This course will support the knowledge that is required during clinical and throughout the Personal Support Worker program.

### **Professional Growth PW102**

This course will examine the concepts of legislation, consumer rights and ethics of care in relation to the role and scope of practice for the Personal Support Worker. The course will introduce the learner to different types of health care agencies. Students will also explore concepts of teaching and learning, as well as time and stress management that will enhance their success. This course will support the knowledge that is required during clinical and throughout the Personal Support Worker program.

#### **PSW Practice I: Lab PW106**

This course will provide the learner with an opportunity to practice, in a simulated lab setting, the concepts and knowledge learned in the classroom. This course will support the knowledge and skills required during clinical placement.

### PSW Practice I: Community Clinical PW107

This course will provide the learner with an opportunity to apply, in a supervised placement, knowledge and concepts learned in the classroom and lab. This course will consist of independent learning and clinical experience within a community setting.

#### **Helping Relationships PW128**

This course introduces the learner to the concepts of establishing and maintaining helping relationships with clients and their families through a professional, therapeutic approach. The student will explore the knowledge and skills required to effectively communicate in a variety of situations, understand and maintain professional boundaries and become a respectful, caring member of the interprofessional health care team.

### Assisting Clients Across the Lifespan I PW130

This course introduces the learner to the concepts of assisting clients across the lifespan by exploring the general understanding of the structure and function of the human body. Understanding structure of the human body and how it relates to our functions lays a foundation for the learner to identify common diseases and conditions that will help them to provide the care that each client needs. This course will support the knowledge that is required during clinical placements.

### Supportive Care Theory II PW201

This course is designed to provide the learner with information that will enable them to examine the role of Personal Support Worker when providing assistance to the consumer/client with health challenges. The learner will explore the concepts involved in providing optimal support and care. Topic areas examined will include care for the individual, assisting with the family, common medical disorders, mental health conditions and issues, dementia and confusion, death and dying.

#### **PSW Practice II: Lab PW206**

This course will provide the learner with an opportunity to practice in a simulated placement setting concepts and knowledge learned in the classroom. Learning will occur through practice in a lab simulation setting. The following lab skills will be included: documentation, hygiene, grooming, urinary and bowel elimination needs, vital signs (TPR & BP), height and weight, non-sterile dressing, and heat and cold application. Advanced skills include oxygen needs, tube feeding, and assisting with medications. This course will also provide the opportunity for the learner to experience the Alzheimer Society's - Virtual Dementia Tour and Gentle Persuasive Approach (PW207). Evaluation of learning outcomes is arrived at conjointly thorough student/teacher interactions.

#### PSW Practice II: Long-Term Care Clinical PW207

This course will provide the learner with an opportunity to apply in a supervised placement, knowledge and concepts learned in the classroom and lab. This course will consist of clinical experience within a longterm care setting.

#### **PSW Clinical: Consolidation PW208**

This clinical experience provides the learner with an opportunity to integrate the knowledge and skills acquired throughout the program in a long-term facility under a preceptorship program.

## **APPLICATION DEADLINE: MONDAY, APRIL 18 AT 12:00 NOON**





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