



UW SYSTEM COVID-19 STUDENT HEALTH CARE WORKER TUITION CREDIT

UW System President Tommy Thompson provided additional details of a program to incentivize UW students who have nursing skills and backgrounds to work on the front lines of Wisconsin's fight against the COVID-19 pandemic.

A **\$500 tuition refund** will be provided to students who *meet the following criteria*:

- Must be enrolled at a University of Wisconsin campus during the spring 2021 semester. (Enrollment within a Wisconsin Technical College System school does not qualify a student for the UW System COVID-19 Student Health Care Worker incentive)
- Must work a minimum of 50 hours in a Wisconsin clinical or health care setting, such as a hospital, clinic, nursing home, long-term care facility, state or local health care facility, or state veterans home, between December 1, 2020, and February 1, 2021.
- Must meet health care licensure and certification requirements, such as a Registered Nurse (RN), Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN), Certified Medical Assistant (CMA), Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA), or Emergency Medical Technician (CEMT), or Nurse Aid. Students who qualify as a CNA under the current [emergency rule](#) can participate.



Interested students and employers will connect via *Handshake*, an online job listing and candidate management system. The UW System will promote the use of *Handshake* to potential health care employers, and UW campus career services administrators will help students identify job eligible opportunities.

Students must present a letter from their employer verifying the type of work and the hours worked by the student to their campus Bursar's Office by no later than March 31, 2021. Qualifying students will receive a \$500 tuition refund at the end of the spring 2021 semester. Bursars reserve the right to apply the tuition refund to a student's past due obligations to the campus.

The program is open to students currently employed or who become employed in a Wisconsin clinical or health care setting. Students may receive only one \$500 tuition refund regardless of number of hours worked beyond the 50-hour minimum. Additional spring semester incentives for student health care work, including clinical support for vaccinations, beyond February 1, 2021, are under consideration.

**** UWSP International students** – if interested in participating in this program, you must first contact [Johannes Schmied](#) or [Brad Van Den Elzen](#) to discuss the process.

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How to Search for Jobs using UWSP's [Handshake](#) job platform

Frequently Asked Questions

I currently work in health care. Am I still eligible for the tuition refund?

Yes, any student who meets the criteria is eligible for the tuition refund.

What about Clinical Support for Vaccinations?

Nursing students can earn the refund by providing 16 hours of clinical support for vaccinations during any point in the spring 2021 semester.

What are the qualifying licensure/certification requirements for the tuition refund?

One or more of the following: Registered Nurse (RN), Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN), Certified Medical Assistant (CMA), Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA), Emergency Medical Technician (CEMT) or Nurse Aid.

Can I receive multiple tuition refunds for working additional hours?

At this time, the program is restricted to one \$500 tuition refund per student.

Searching for Jobs in Three Steps!

STEP 1: [Click Here](#) - Access your *Handshake* Student account

STEP 2: [Complete your Handshake profile & set profile to Community setting](#)

STEP 3: [Search for Clinical or Health Care positions within Handshake](#)

Useful Tips

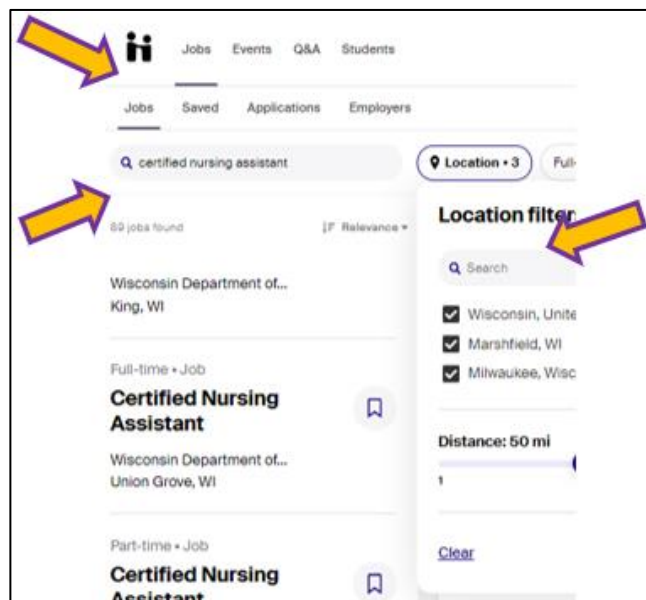
Under the *Jobs* area, use the search box to enter the position you are looking for (Ex. Certified Nursing Assistant); you can also use the search term: *COVID*.

Use the *Location filter* to select the locations where you want to look for jobs (Ex. Wisconsin; Marshfield, WI; Milwaukee, WI).

Skills section: List your current, patient care certifications/licensure (Ex. Registered Nurse, Licensed Practical Nurse, Certified Medical Assistant, Certified Nursing Assistant, Emergency Medical Technician, Nurse Aid).

Industries section: List *Health Care*.

Documents section: Upload your resume which has your health care experience and certifications/licensure; this can help pre-populate your profile content!



Find out more about Handshake via [UWSP's Handshake User Guide](#) or through the [Handshake Help Center](#). In addition to using Handshake to locate jobs, students can also contact any health care provider's human resource office.