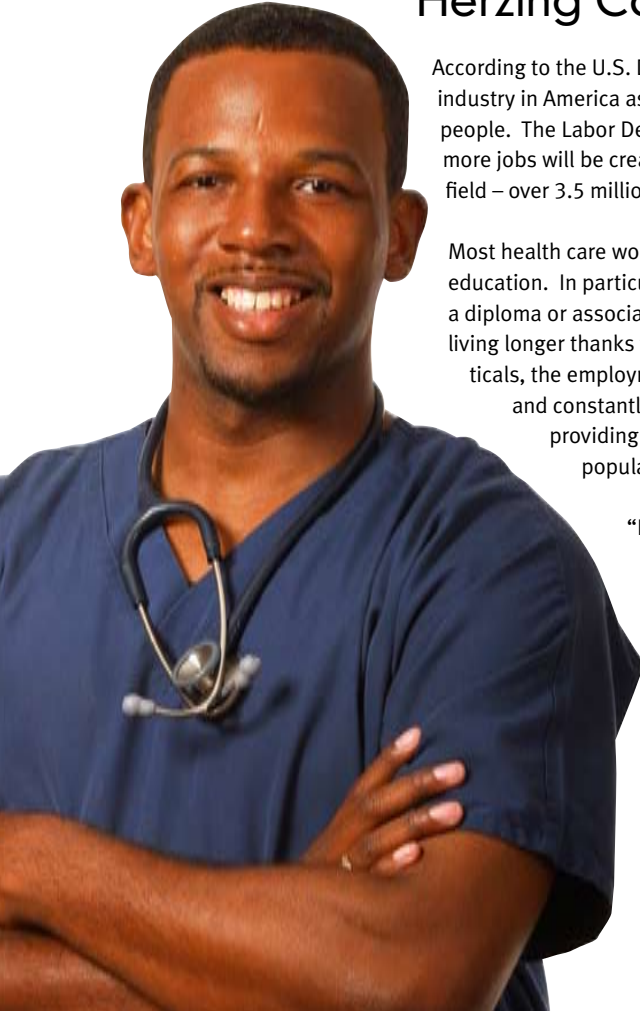


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Herzing College Prep Graduates for Health Care Careers



According to the U.S. Department of Labor, health care was the largest industry in America as of 2004, employing approximately 13.5 million people. The Labor Department estimates that over the next ten years, more jobs will be created in health care than in any other occupational field – over 3.5 million new jobs.

Most health care workers in the U.S. have less than four years of college education. In particular, a person can embark on a lucrative career with a diploma or associate's degree in nursing. With an aging population living longer thanks to advances in medical technology and pharmaceuticals, the employment opportunities in patient care are numerous and constantly growing. There is one local college that is providing affordable health care education to a diverse population of students in Homewood.

“I would absolutely recommend Herzing College to others. The classes are small; you're not a number, you're a name,” said James Wooden, who attended Herzing College to get an education that would help him start a new career. “Before I enrolled at Herzing College I was selling shirts and ties at a retail store. Being in retail sales just didn't give me the opportunity to provide for my family the way that I wanted to. The Nursing program at Herzing College seemed very well-suited for a family man and non-traditional student.”

Herzing College offers a variety of educational programs for adult students looking to gain new skills in an ever-changing job market. “I wanted to be able to provide a better living for my family and wanted to go into a field that was marketable and employable anywhere in the world,” said Wooden. “Herzing College had an excellent opportunity, and the program seemed very well-structured and organized. It provided me the opportunity to work, go to school, provide for my family, and in the meantime lay the building blocks to make a better living and provide an even better future for my family.”

Like many Herzing College students, Wooden was able to make the transition to a new, more rewarding career. “Now I'm working in a hospital doing health and rehabilitation and it's just great. The patients are wonderful. They make it a joy to go to work every day,” he said.

Herzing College offers educational programs in Practical Nursing, Health Care Management, and Emergency Medical Technology, as well as Business Administration, Computer Science, Graphic Arts, and Public Safety. For more information, visit www.herzingbhm.com or call (800) 639-8528.

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