

Pharmacy Technician

Career Studies Certificate

Purpose: The Pharmacy Technician program is designed to prepare students to assist and support licensed pharmacists in providing health care and medications to patients. Students will obtain a broad knowledge of pharmacy practice and be skilled in the techniques required to order, stock, package, prepare, and dispense medications under the supervision of a licensed pharmacist.

Occupational Objectives: Pharmacy technicians work in hospital, retail, home health care, nursing home, clinic, nuclear medicine, and mail order prescription pharmacies. Pharmacy technicians have been employed with medical insurance, medical computer software, drug manufacturing, drug wholesale, and food processing companies, and as instructors in pharmacy technician training programs. Currently, hospital, home health care, and retail pharmacies hire the majority of technicians.

Admission Requirements: General college curricular admission

CURRICULUM				
COURSE	TITLE	LEC. HRS.	LAB. HRS.	CRS. CRE.
HLT 143	Medical Terminology I	3	0	3
HLT 250	General Pharmacology	3	0	3
HLT 261 ¹	Basic Pharmacy I	3	0	3
HLT 263	Basic Pharmacy I Lab	0	3	1
HLT 262	Basic Pharmacy II	3	0	3
HLT 298	Seminar and Project in Health (Pharmacy Technician)	4	0	4
HLT 290	or Coordinated Internship	1	15	4
TOTAL		13-16	3-18	17
Total Minimum Credits for Career Studies Certificate in Pharmacy Technician				17
¹ AST 114 should be taken if student does not have a keyboarding speed of at least 25 wpm. AST 114 may be taken prior to or concurrently with HLT 261.				