

HEALTH SCIENCES

PHARMACY TECHNOLOGY

The Pharmacy Technology Program prepares individuals to become pharmacy technicians. These allied health professionals assist and support licensed pharmacists in providing prescription medications, over-the-counter drugs, medical equipment and supplies, pharmaceutical care services, and other health care products and services for patients.

Students will gain a broad knowledge of pharmacology, drug uses, actions, interactions and side effects, medication therapy, pharmaceutical calculations, anatomy and physiology, drug delivery systems, pharmacy practice, purchasing and inventory control and pharmacy law and regulations. Through simulated pharmacy laboratory activities, students will increase their skills in using pharmacy computer software, interpreting prescriptions, processing medication orders, compounding IV admixtures and parenteral nutrition, compounding pediatric medications, creating veterinary dosage forms, managing pharmacy operations, and utilizing critical thinking to resolve patient problems.

Through the clinical experience, students will increase knowledge and skills in creating and maintaining patient profiles, effectively participating on the health care team, filing insurance claims, managing automated medication dispensing systems, operating robotic pharmacy equipment, staffing patient care clinics, providing exceptional customer service, leading quality improvement programs, supervising and managing pharmacy technicians, and reconciling medications for ER patients. The clinical practice will take place in hospital, community and specialty pharmacies. Graduates may be employed in hospitals, medical centers, private and chain pharmacies, and specialty pharmacies, including medication compounding, long term care medication therapy management, and IV infusion pharmacies. Graduates will be prepared to take the national Certification Examination administered by the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board.

Pharmacy Technology Diploma - D45580

Fall Semester

*ENG 111	Writing & Inquiring.....	3
*MAT 110	Mathematical Measurement & Literacy	3
PHM 110	Introduction to Pharmacy	3
PHM 111	Pharmacy Practice I.....	4
PHM 115	Pharmacy Calculations	3
PHM 115A	Pharmacy Calculations Lab.....	1

Spring Semester

PHM 118	Sterile Products.....	4
PHM 120	Pharmacology I.....	3
PHM 134	Pharmacy Clinical	4
PHM 140	Trends in Pharmacy	2
PHM 155	Community Pharmacy.....	3

Summer Term

PHM 125	Pharmacology II.....	3
PHM 132	Pharmacy Clinical	2
PHM 165	Pharmacy Prof Practice	2

Graduation Requirements..... 40 Credit Hours

*Courses may be taken before entering the program

Pharmacy Technology Degree - A45580

First Fall Semester

*ENG 111	Writing & Inquiry.....	3
*MAT 110	Mathematical Measurement & Literacy	3
PHM 110	Introduction to Pharmacy	3
PHM 111	Pharmacy Practice I.....	4

PHM 115	Pharmacy Calculations	3
PHM 115A	Pharmacy Calculations lab.....	1

First Spring Semester

PHM 118	Sterile Products	4
PHM 120	Pharmacology I.....	3
PHM 134	Pharmacy Clinical	4
PHM 140	Trends in Pharmacy.....	2
PHM 155	Community Pharmacy.....	3

Summer Term

PHM 125	Pharmacology II.....	3
PHM 132	Pharmacy Clinical	2
PHM 165	Pharmacy Prof Practice	2

Total Diploma Requirements..... 40 Semester Credit Hours

Second Fall Semester

*BUS 151	People Skills	3
*COM 231	Public Speaking.....	3
PHM 133	Pharmacy Clinical	3
PHM 150	Hospital Pharmacy.....	4

Second Spring Semester

PHM 135	Pharmacy Clinical	5
PHM 160	Pharm Dosage Forms.....	3
*PSY 150	General Psychology.....	3
---	*Humanities Elective.....	3

Graduation Requirements..... 67 Credit Hours

*Courses may be taken before entering program

*Humanities elective: Pick one courses: HUM 110, HUM 115, PHI 240

*Students must earn a "C" or better in all Gen Ed and PHM courses.

*MAT 110 must have been taken within the last 5 years.

See an advisor for possible course substitutions for Humanities elective.