

Phlebotomy Technician

15-credit Technical Diploma

About the Program

A phlebotomy technician's chief responsibility is drawing blood and conducting other specimen collections. The phlebotomist must recognize any conditions that might alter collections, correlate types of lab tests to the written diagnosis, and communicate with both the laboratory and the patients to provide the best care possible. Graduates of the phlebotomy program will be competent in multiple skills of specimen collection, have a strong medical terminology background and possess excellent interpersonal skills. Drawing blood from a patient for laboratory analysis, understanding lab test requirements and maintaining specimen quality are all skills phlebotomy students will develop.

Graduates of WCTC's Phlebotomy program are eligible to take the certification exams.

Potential Job Titles

- Donor Specialist
- Medical Laboratory Technician
- Phlebotomist
- Phlebotomy Technician

Credit Transfer

Credits earned in the Phlebotomy Technician program may be transferable to institutions offering baccalaureate degrees. Visit www.wctc.edu/transfer for specific information. Since the details of credit transfers change from time to time, be sure to contact the intended college or university to verify credit transferability.

Admission Process

- Fill out a WCTC application
- Send \$30 non-refundable application fee
- View online informational meeting
- Send high school transcript or GED/HSED
- Send any previous college transcripts
- Complete Skills Assessment test (COMPASS)
- Schedule a Program Planning Session (PPS) with program counselor

For more information, call 262.691.5200.

Required Courses	Credits
First Semester	
501-101 Medical Terminology	3
501-107 Intro to Healthcare Computing	2
509-309 Medical Law/Ethics/Professionalism	1
513-110 Introduction to Phlebotomy	3
513-111 Introduction to Phlebotomy II Practicum	2
513-121 Pediatric Phlebotomy	1
801-316 Communication in Health Occupations	3+
Total semester credits	15
+ Proficiency exam available	
<i>A grade point of 2.0 (C) or better is required in all courses to complete the program. Curriculum is current as of catalog printing. The most current curriculum requirements for graduation will be provided upon admission to program, or review at www.wctc.edu.</i>	
<i>Program layout above represents a sample of how to navigate the program.</i>	

Phlebotomy Technician Required Courses

<p>501-101 Medical Terminology 3 Develop an understanding of medical terminology by breaking related words into prefixes, root words, and suffixes. Practice the formation, analysis, and reconstruction of terms, and learn correct spellings, definitions, and pronunciations. Become familiar with the operative, diagnostic, therapeutic, and symptomatic terminology of all body systems, as well as systemic and surgical terminology.</p> <p>501-107 Intro to Healthcare Computing 2 Become familiar with the basic computer applications used in contemporary healthcare settings, including common software packages, operating systems, file management, word processing, spreadsheets, databases, the Internet, and e-mail. Study the hardware and software components of modern computer systems.</p> <p>509-309 Medical Law, Ethics & Profess 1 Explore the concept of professionalism, and learn how to perform within ethical and legal boundaries in the health care setting. Practice maintaining confidentiality, examine legal aspects of medical records, perform risk management procedures, and examine legal and bioethical issues.</p> <p>513-110 Introduction to Phlebotomy 3 Study basic phlebotomy concepts such as skin punctures, venipunctures, arterial punctures, and bleeding times. Master specimen collection, preservation of specimens from various sources, and specimen processing. Incorporate a personal concept of professionalism.</p>	<p>513-111 Intro Phlebotomy II Practicum 2 Build on previously learned skills while continuing to master specimen collection and the preservation of specimens from various sources. Solidify skills in specimen processing while incorporating a personal concept of professionalism. Prerequisites: 513-110 Introduction to Phlebotomy; and COMPASS-Reading Skills or ASSET-Reading Skills or Accuplacer Reading Comprehensi or ACT-Reading or TABE Advanced Reading or COMPASS/ESL - Reading or College Proficiency - Reading; and COMPASS-Writing Skills or ASSET-Writing Skills or Accuplacer Sentence Skills or ACT-English or TABE Advanced Language or COMPASS/ESL - Grammar or College Proficiency - Writing; and 838-105 Intro Reading & Study Skills (or concurrent) or 831-103 Intro to College Writing (or concurrent) or 858-775 Reading - Program Readiness or 851-771 Writing-Program Readiness</p> <p>513-121 Pediatric Phlebotomy 1 Become familiar with various pediatric blood collection procedures and equipment. Use hands-on, simulated classroom exercises and observe practices in a clinical setting. Prerequisites: 513-110 Introduction to Phlebotomy (or concurrent)</p> <p>801-316 Commun in Health Occup 3 Explore the communication skills that are essential to a health occupations practitioner. Discuss and practice listening, asserting, conveying information accurately, avoiding breakdowns, and resolving conflicts. Complete this interactive learning experience with a unit on grammar, punctuation, e-mail use, and telephone skills.</p>
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