

Phlebotomy Technician Certificate

Overview

Students learn basic laboratory skills to collect and process high quality specimens for laboratory analysis. Clinical practicum includes 100 clock hours of clinical training in a CLIA-regulated, accredited laboratory with minimum performance of 100 successful, unaided blood collections including venipunctures and skin punctures. Classroom training and clinical practicum prepares students to take the ASCP Phlebotomy Technician certification exam.

Certificate Learning Outcomes

Students who successfully complete this certificate will be able to:

1. Perform blood collection by venipuncture and skin puncture to obtain high quality specimens for clinical laboratory analysis.
2. Use effective written and oral communication when interacting with patients and other healthcare workers to improve patient care.
3. Collect and process blood specimens in a safe manner according to laboratory protocol.
4. Discuss patient education and instructions related to specimen collecting for patients with diverse backgrounds, values, and behaviors.
5. Individuals will meet eligibility requirements for ASCP national certification.

Students in this program will learn to:

- Verify patient identity and correctly label and track specimens.
- Establish a professional relationship with the patient by providing pertinent information, education, and instruction regarding specimen collection; selecting and preparing the puncture site; collecting specimens; preparing and maintaining equipment; and caring for the patient after specimen collection.
- Enter data into a computer and perform clerical duties associated with lab test record keeping.
- Ability to be attentive to detail, work well under pressure, and have excellent communication and customer service skills.
- Maintain safe, secure, and healthy work environment by following standards and procedures and complying with legal regulations.
- Maintain quality results by following procedures and testing schedules.
- Provide the highest standards in discreet and courteous lab service for patients, medical providers, and other healthcare workers.
- Recognize and use adequate safety equipment, personal protective equipment, and laboratory safety measures.

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	FALL TERM	WINTER TERM	SPRING TERM
YEAR 1	AH 130, Introduction to Today's Careers: Health, 2 CR	AH 100, Medical Terminology, 4 CR	
	BI 100 or BI 231, 232 and 233, 4 CR		
	HE 112, Standard First Aid and Emergency Care, 1 CR	HE 110, CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers and Health Care Providers, 1 CR	
	AH 101, Phlebotomy I, 4 CR	AH 102, Phlebotomy II, 3 CR	
	11 Credit Total	8 Credit Total	

Total Credits: 19

Note: In order to participate in clinical experience, students must be 18 years of age and have completed the Castle Branch Healthcare requirements (criminal background check, drug screen and required immunizations).