

Pharmacy Technician (Associate of Applied Science) - Memphis

Associate of Applied Science Program

Contact Hours: 1,157

Semester Credits: 60

Instructional Weeks – Full Time: 64

Average Time to Complete – Full Time: 8 Months

Program offered at: Memphis, Tennessee

Pharmacy Technician (Associate of Applied Science) Mission Statement

The program provides students with the theoretical knowledge, hands-on practical skills, and professional attributes required to obtain entry-level positions as Pharmacy Technicians. The program prepares students to successfully complete the exam(s) necessary for certification as a pharmacy technician.

Learning Objectives / Instructional Outcomes

The program includes general education courses covering mathematics, written, verbal, and nonverbal communications; interpersonal skills; critical thinking; the sciences; and the humanities. Learning objectives include achievement of sufficient theoretical knowledge and practical skills in compounding and delivery of drug products and maintaining records.

Career Overview

A properly trained Pharmacy Technician is a valuable asset in hospital, home health care, and retail environments. The Pharmacy Technician quite often assumes a central role in the compounding and delivery of drug products and in maintaining records. In addition, the Pharmacy Technician acts as an intermediary between the doctor and the pharmacist and between the pharmacist and the patient. Pharmacy Technicians play an important role in an area where accuracy and responsibility combined with compassion and empathy are of paramount importance.

Admission to the Program and Block Transfer

Applicants to the program must be graduates of a Pharmacy Technician Program and:

- Graduates of any Concorde Pharmacy Technician diploma program will receive 27 semester credits as a block transfer when enrolling in the Pharmacy Technician Associate of Applied Science program at Memphis. A graduate of a Concorde Pharmacy Technician diploma program is exempt from additional entrance requirements.
- Graduates of Pharmacy Technician programs from non-Concorde institutionally accredited post-secondary educational institutions recognized by the United States Department of Education may receive 27 semester credits upon evaluation of a transcript from the issuing school. In addition, non-Concorde applicants must meet all other entrance requirements as outlined in the Admissions section of this catalog.

Required Courses

Course #	Course Title	Theory Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours	Semester Credit Hours
--	Block Transfer				27

BIOL1301 *	Anatomy & Physiology	45	0	0	3
BIOL1330 *	Microbiology	45	0	0	3
COMM1310 *	Elements of Human Communication	45	0	0	3
CSCI1310 *	Computer Science	45	0	0	3
ENGL1310 *	English Composition I	45	0	0	3
MATH1320 *	College Algebra	45	0	0	3
HPRS1320 *	Foundations for Health Professionals	45	0	0	3
PHIL1310 *	Critical Thinking	45	0	0	3
PSYC1310 *	General Psychology	45	0	0	3
PSYC1320 *	Human Growth & Development	45	0	0	3
SOCL1310 *	Introduction to Sociology	45	0	0	3
	Total	495	0	0	60

* These courses are offered online.