

# PHARMACY TECHNICIAN

## DIPLOMA PROGRAM



The Pharmacy Technician diploma is designed to prepare students to work as entry-level pharmacy technicians or assistants under the direction of a licensed pharmacist. The curriculum will expose students to answering queries from clients and customers, labeling preparations, aiding in filling prescriptions, working with insurance and billing, etc. Graduates will be trained to work the clinical side of the pharmacy field as well as the administrative side providing a full range of support to pharmacists, medical personnel, and customers. Graduates will possess interpersonal skills, professional comprehension and abilities, the aptitude to process and handle medications and orders, and the ability to prepare medications and compounds. Students will gain knowledge of patient and medication safety, quality assurance standards, technology, and professional regulatory standards. Graduates of the Pharmacy Technician diploma program will be eligible to take the National Pharmacy Technician Certification examination.

### Program Objectives:

Upon completion of this program, the graduate will be able to:

1. demonstrate an understanding of basic anatomy and describe how it relates to pathological conditions.
2. translate medical and pharmaceutical terms and abbreviations.
3. demonstrate an understanding of laws in regard to the pharmacy.
4. calculate drug dosages.
5. demonstrate skills in preparation, filing and handling of sterile products.
6. identify trade and generic names of drugs, and their classifications.
7. recognize side effects and storage requirements of various drugs.
8. demonstrate an understanding of responsibilities and duties of the pharmacy technician.
9. recognize the importance of effective customer satisfaction and its importance in obtaining and retaining customers.

### Admission Requirements:

All candidates for admission must pass the College's entrance examination requirements. Pharmacy Technician students will be required to pay for an Illinois State Police background check at the student's expense.

### Graduation Requirements:

A grade of "C" or better must be achieved in all courses and competencies to be eligible to graduate. Pharmacy Technician students must pass keyboarding with a speed of 30 wpm and five or fewer errors.

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<b>Major:</b>		<b>Quarter Hours:</b>
AH170	Pharmacy Tech I	4
AH172	Pharmacy Tech II	4
AH242	Pharmacy Tech III	4
AH245	Pharmacy Externship	4
BIO110	Anatomy & Physiology I	4
BIO111	Anatomy & Physiology I Lab	2
BIO120	Anatomy & Physiology II	4
BIO121	Anatomy & Physiology II Lab	2
BUS245	Customer Satisfaction Strategies	4
HI105	Medical Terminology	4
HI210	Pathopharmacology	4
HI225	Healthcare Law and Ethics	4
KEY109	Keyboarding Applications	4
	<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>48</b>

<b>General Education:</b>		<b>Quarter Hours:</b>
AH155	Mathematics for Medications	4
ENG111	Business Communications	4
HUM110	Human Potential	4
HUM201	Professional Development	4
	<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>16</b>

**Total Hours Required for Diploma** **64**

### Gainful Employment Disclosure: Pharmacy Technician, Diploma Program

Important information about the educational debt, earnings, and completion rates of students who attended this program:  
<https://www.midstate.edu/programs/disclosures/PT>