

Certificate

PHARMACY TECHNICIAN

The Pharmacy Technician certificate enables students to prepare and dispense medications under the supervision of a registered pharmacist and to assume other pharmacy-technician duties in both retail and hospital settings. HGTC's curriculum combines classroom and experiential learning, with students training in pharmacies to experience the duties carried out by the pharmacist and pharmacy technician in preparing medications, filling prescriptions, pricing, recording patient profiles, calculating medications, compounding IV fluids, handling controlled substances, and other pharmacy-related duties.

The Pharmacy Technician program is accredited by the American Society of Health System Pharmacists, Accreditation Services Division, 7272 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD, 20814. A new commission, the Pharmacy Technician Accreditation Commission (PTAC), is being formed through collaboration with the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) and the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE).

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Specific Admission Requirements for Program

- Criminal Background Check
- Urine Drug Screening
- Submit a Health Sciences Division Student Health Record Form indicating the candidate has the ability to perform the physical tasks required in the program
- Completion of the General Hospital Orientation (GHO)
- Students will be responsible for purchasing additional clinical liability insurance
- Proof of CPR certification for Health Care Providers
- Student must be at least 18 years of age at time of graduation

Course Sequence and Progression Requirements

A minimum grade of C or better is required for all PHM-prefixed courses for progression and graduation.

Students must pass a criminal background check and urine drug screening 30 days prior to starting clinical each semester.

CURRICULUM SEQUENCE

First Semester - Fall

PHM 101	Introduction to Pharmacy	3
PHM 111	Applied Pharmacy Practice Laboratory	2
PHM 113	Pharmacy Technician Math	3
PHM 114	Therapeutic Agents I	3
PHM 175	Pharmacy Technician Practicum	3
	TOTAL	14

Second Semester - Spring

PHM 103	Pharmacy Law & Ethics	2
PHM 110	Pharmacy Practice	4
PHM 118	Community Pharmacy Seminar	1
PHM 124	Therapeutic Agents II	3
PHM 173	Pharmacy Technician Practicum III	3
	TOTAL	13
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	27

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