

Pharmacy Technician

Certificate Program

Career Pathway: Health Sciences

Career Cluster: Health Sciences

Gainful Employment Information (www.swmich.edu/academics/employment)

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A pharmacy technician is an allied health care worker who, under the supervision of a pharmacist, assists in the various activities of either the retail or hospital pharmacy. Responsibilities include preparation and dispensing of drugs, transcription of physician's orders, preparation of intravenous fluids, and maintaining inventory and patient records. Pharmacy technicians always work under the supervision of a pharmacist. A national certification is required to work as a pharmacy technician

Prerequisites

- ◆ You will need to demonstrate proficiencies in reading and mathematics based on SMC assessment tests, ACT or SAT scores, or by taking the recommended courses.
- ◆ Some of the courses in this curriculum have specific prerequisites. These are described in the course descriptions.
- ◆ ACE Testing, which grants students credit for demonstration of skills mastery, is also available for a number of the courses listed.
- ◆ Student will be required to undergo criminal background checks and drug screening.

Course Sequence

- ◆ Some of the courses in this curriculum must be taken in a prescribed sequence. The listing that follows is a suggested sequence of the courses for full-time students.

- ◆ Be sure to consult the course descriptions as some courses may not be offered every semester.

Course	Credits
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Prerequisites

BIOL 110	Human Biology	4
MATH 101	Introductory Algebra (Or Competency)	4

Semester I

HEED 101	Medical Terminology	3
HEED 118	Introduction to Health Care Systems	1
OADM 137	Keyboarding (or competency)	(1)
OADM 138	Formatting (or competency)	(2)
PHTE 101	Pharmaceutical Dosage	2
PHTE 102	Introduction to Hospital and Community Pharmacy	3
PHTE 250	Pharmacy Technician Internship I	4

Semester II

ISYS 110	Introduction to Computer Technology	3
HEED137	Disease Overview	3
PHTE 103	Pharmacology for Pharmacy Technicians	3
PHTE 104	Law & Ethics for Pharmacy Technicians	3
PHTE 255	Pharmacy Technician Internship II	4

Total Program Credits **33**