

PROGRAM CURRICULUM

Phlebotomy

Certificate

DIVISION OF HEALTH SCIENCES

A phlebotomist is skilled in blood collection, and also in the preparation of certain specimens for diagnostic laboratory testing, as ordered by a physician. This is a one-semester program that prepares individuals for a career as a phlebotomist in various health care settings, such as hospitals, physician offices, HMOs, surgical centers, and independent laboratories.

Students study the profession's history; medical terminology; venipuncture; microsampling; special blood collection procedures; OSHA and safety procedures involving bloodborne pathogens; basic computer applications; basic preanalytical and post-analytical laboratory procedures, and point of care testing; and electrocardiography procedures.

Course objectives and competency are accomplished through formal coursework, laboratory practice, and a clinical practicum. In the fall and spring semesters the clinical practicum takes place Monday through Friday, typically between the hours of 9:00 am and 5:00 pm. The program is completed in one semester.

Upon completion, the Certificate in Phlebotomy is awarded.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Proof of CPR certification is required on or before the first day of PB 100 and must be submitted to the Health, Human Services, and Education office. The Healthcare Provider Card (from the American Heart Association) and the Professional Rescuer card (from American Red Cross or National Safety Council) are the only types of CPR certification that meet this requirement. Students may enroll in a Health Care Provider course through the Office of Corporate & Community Education.

CORI (Criminal Offender Record Information) and SORI (Sexual Offender Registry Information) background checks are required prior to practicum placement and will be conducted in accordance with state regulations. CORI and SORI results are confidential.

COURSE	COURSE TITLE	CREDITS
PB 100	Principles and Methods of Phlebotomy	3
PB 105	Clinical Practicum	4
	credits:	7
	Total Credits:	7

PROGRAM FOOTNOTES

A grade of C or higher in required in all Phlebotomy (PB) courses.