

PHARMACY TECHNICIAN CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

The Pharmacy Technology Program seeks to provide qualified students with the technical skills and knowledge needed to practice in a variety of pharmacy settings. Pharmacy technicians must have a broad knowledge of pharmacy practice, and be skilled in the techniques required to order, stock, package, and prepare medications.

Pharmacy technicians help pharmacists provide drugs and other health care products to patients. Pharmacy technicians may perform duties under the direct supervision of a pharmacist. The duties of pharmacy technicians include review prescriptions or requests for refills, fill prescriptions, count, pour, measure, or mix the medication, select a container, and prepare and attach a label, price and file the prescription. In addition, the pharmacy technician takes inventory of prescription and over-the-counter drugs. Pharmacy technicians work in hospital pharmacies, retail pharmacies, home health care pharmacies, nursing home pharmacies, clinic pharmacies, nuclear medicine pharmacies, and in-mail order prescription pharmacies.

Graduates of the program are eligible to apply for state certification after completing 1,000 work hours in a pharmacy and passing the Pharmacy Technician Exam given by the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board.

Clinical facilities require drug screens and/or background checks before allowing students to participate in clinical rotation. Student participating in clinical may be required to have a drug screen at any time during their rotation. Students accepted to the program must be eligible to attend clinical at all facilities. Pharmacy Technician students are required to be registered with the SC Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation Board of Pharmacy prior to beginning clinical rotations.

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

1. Applicants for admission to the Pharmacy Technical Program must meet the entrance requirements of York Technical College.
2. Admission to the Pharmacy Technician Program requires the student be a high school graduate or equivalent.

AND ONE OF THE FOLLOWING

COMPASS

Reading	81 or >
Pre-Alg	54 or >
Writing	70 or >

ASSET

Reading	42 or >
Numeric	43 or >
Writing	41 or >

CERTIFICATE: PHARMACY TECHNICIAN (CT.PHTECH)

A. REQUIRED CORE SUBJECT AREAS		CREDITS
*PHM 101	Introductory to Pharmacy	3.0 CR
*PHM 113	Pharmacy Technician Math	3.0 CR
*PHM 114	Therapeutic Agents I	3.0 CR
*PHM 152	Pharmacy Technician Practicum I	2.0 CR
*PHM 110	Pharmacy Practice	4.0 CR
*PHM 124	Therapeutic Agents II	3.0 CR
*PHM 164	Pharmacy Technician Practicum II	<u>4.0 CR</u>
Total Credits		22.0 CR

*Courses in this program which requires a minimum grade of 'C.'

** Graduates of the program must be at least 18 years of age.

Suggested Plan of Study

Fall Semester

PHM 101
PHM113
PHM 114
PHM 152

Spring Semester

PHM 110
PHM 124
PHM 164

All PHM courses must be taken in sequence as outlined in the suggested plan of study.

