### ALLIED HEALTH PROGRAMS

### Career Overview

Pharmacy Technicians work in a variety of settings under the supervision of a pharmacist.

#### Length & Cost of Training

The program consists of 272 hours of classroom and laboratory instruction and a 130-hour supervised externship. This program’s course work can be completed in one semester, with the clinical externship registration and completion in the following semester by attending classes on a full-time basis. Tuition is $4,567.50. Students are required to purchase textbooks, scrubs, **Texas State Board of Pharmacy** registration and finger-printing fees, in addition to a criminal background check and drug screening prior to clinical externships. Students are also responsible for the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board Exam registration fee ($129).

#### Certification/Registration

To work as a pharmacy technician in the State of Texas, all pharmacy technicians are required to pass the **Pharmacy Technician Certification Exam** and complete a registration process through the **Texas State Board of Pharmacy**. Individuals with a criminal history may be ineligible for registration. More information may be found at <https://www.pharmacy.texas.gov>

**Prerequisites:**

* Completed admissions application form
* Completed Student Document of Understanding
* Proof of age, proof of high school graduation, GED completion, or current status as a high school senior. High school seniors may enter the program at age 17, but must be 18 and a high school graduate at the time of program completion.
* Demonstration of college-level reading comprehension and writing skills in English, basic arithmetic and elementary algebra (high school level algebra), as well as basic computer skills, either by attaining the minimum scores on assessments or by presenting unofficial college transcripts.

**To Get Started**

1. Complete and submit application for admission and all other required documentation in order to receive authorization to register.
2. Students must successfully complete Intro to Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Math I before being allowed to register for subsequent courses.

#### Course Work

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| **New program effective January 2023** | **Tuition** |  **Hours** |
| Intro to Pharmacy | $720 | 48 |
| Pharmaceutical Math I | $960 | 64 |
| Community Pharmacy Practice | $960 | 64 |
| Pharmacology for Technicians | $720 | 48 |
| Institutional Pharmacy Practice | $720 | 48 |
| Externship Clinical Course (130 hours) | $487.50 | 130 |
|   | $4,567.50 |  402 |

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