

COLUMBUS STATE

COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Pharmacy Technician Certificate: Autumn 2024/Spring 2025



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CSCC Offerings



- Certificate of Completion, with credits going towards Associates of Applied Science (AAS) in Multi-Skilled Health
- Students that opt to continue their studies in Multi-Skilled Health can choose from a variety of other programs that will count towards their AAS degree.
 - Phlebotomy
 - HIMT (Health Information Management Technician)
 - CPR/First Aid
 - EKG
 - Health Care Manager
 - Clinical Laboratory Assisting
 - Many more

**Financial assistance may also be available for students that have declared a Multi-Skilled Health degree major

Plan of Study for Certificate Program

Semester 1

| Course | | CR |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------|
| MULT 1500 | Concepts for the Pharmacy Technician | 4 |
| MULT 1550 | Pharmacology for the Pharmacy Technician | 2 |
| MULT 1525 | Calculations for the Pharmacy Technician | 2 |
| MULT 1900 | Lab and Introductory Practicum | 2 |
| Total Semester 1 Credit Hours | | 10 |

Semester 2

| Course | | CR |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|
| MULT 1905 | Community Pharmacy Practicum | 1 |
| MULT 1805 | Pharmacy Seminar | 1 |
| | Health-Related Technical Elective | 2 |
| | Health-Related Technical Elective | 2 |
| Total Semester 2 Credit Hours | | 6 |

Total Certificate Credit Hours: 16

*College Credit Plus students are eligible to take these courses. Please see your advisor.

Class format

| Semester 1 | | | Semester 2 | | |
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| Course | | CR | Course | | CR |
| MULT 1500 | Concepts for the Pharmacy Technician Blended or Web | 4 | MULT 1905 | Community Pharmacy Practicum Clinical Hours only | 1 |
| MULT 1550 | Pharmacology for the Pharmacy Technician Blended or Web | 2 | MULT 1805 | Pharmacy Seminar Blended or Web | 1 |
| MULT 1525 | Calculations for the Pharmacy Technician Web | 2 | | Health-Related Technical Elective | 2 |
| MULT 1900 | Lab and Introductory Practicum Blended | 2 | | Health-Related Technical Elective | 2 |
| Total Semester 1 Credit Hours | | 10 | Total Semester 2 Credit Hours | | 6 |

Most pharmacy technician core classes may be completed online!

Health Related Technical Electives

- To complete the pharmacy technician program certificate, you must earn at least 4 health-related technical elective credits.
- Choose from the following:
 - MULT 1110: Medical Terminology
 - MULT 1140: Integrated Healthcare
 - MULT 1130: Responding to Emergencies
 - HIMT 1121: Advanced Medical Terminology
 - MULT 1115: Helping Skills Allied Health & Human Services
 - MULT 1401: Integrated Healthcare

*Other health-related technical electives may be considered toward the certificate. Speak to your faculty advisor for more details.

To be considered for the program....

Students must also meet the following conditions:

- Placement into ENGL 1100
 - Placement into “No Reading Required”
 - GPA of “2.0” or higher
 - Placement into MATH 1025 or higher
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- Before beginning the practicum experience, the student must also complete a health record form, undergo a background and drug screening, and register as a “Pharmacy Technician Trainee,” and pay the respective \$25 fee.

Program Costs

These figures are subject to change based on current trends and updates. Please see www.csc.c.edu for current information.

- College application, records and ID fee: \$50
- 16 credits hours x \$177.93 (2023/2024 rate) = \$2,846.88
- Books: approximately \$200
- Lab Fees: approximately \$200
- Background and Drug Screen: \$107
- Health Record: \$100
- Uniform Shirt: \$25
- **Total approximate costs: \$3,478.88**

Financial Aid, Grants and Scholarships

Financial aid may be available to students who qualify.

- You may be eligible for financial aid, grants, and/or scholarships.
 1. Declare your intended program of study as “Pharmacy Technician.”
 2. Please visit the following webpages for more information:
 - <https://www.csc.edu/services/financial-aid/>
 - <https://www.csc.edu/services/financial-aid/types-of-aid/scholarships.shtml>

Health Science Scholarship

- Up to \$2,000
- Pharmacy technician certificate eligible
- Financial need
- Resident of Ohio
- <https://www.csc.c.edu/go/certificate-pathways/#healthcare>



Take Control of Your Career.

SHORT TERM CERTIFICATE SCHOLARSHIPS

Short Term Certificate Scholarship Application

Columbus State offers a number of short-term programs designed to quickly prepare you to thrive in one of Central Ohio's most in-demand career areas. Columbus State is pleased to offer a scholarship to support students enrolled in a Short Term Certificate Program.

New Students: www.csc.c.edu/admissions
Returning Students: www.csc.c.edu/services/advising/

All fields with an * are required.

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Why Should You Consider National Certification

- The CPhT designation:
 - signifies an individual's competence as a technician and indicates a high level of knowledge and skill.
 - Mark of achievement that employers, colleagues, and others will recognize.
 - You may earn more and may cost your employer less time and money in training you.
 - Some employers may pay or reimburse the employee for the cost to take a certification exam (if successfully completed), and/or provide training assistance for a certification exam.

Potential Job Opportunities

A certified pharmacy technician (CPhT) may have the following title(s):

Pharmacy technician lead

Inventory Specialist

Inpatient pharmacy technician

Pharmacy manager

Investigational drug service technician

Information systems support technician

Product support analyst

Pharmacy technician specialist

Compounding pharmacy technician

Pharmacy order entry technician

Narcotics lead technician

Pharmacy technician educator



- As with any job, it depends on where you work but your beginning pay may range from \$18.00 to \$24.00 per hour in Central Ohio area.
- Higher pay rates may be given due to:
 - shift differentials (i.e. working evenings or weekends)
 - becoming certified
 - pharmacy practice site
 - experience

Certified Pharmacy Technician Jobs

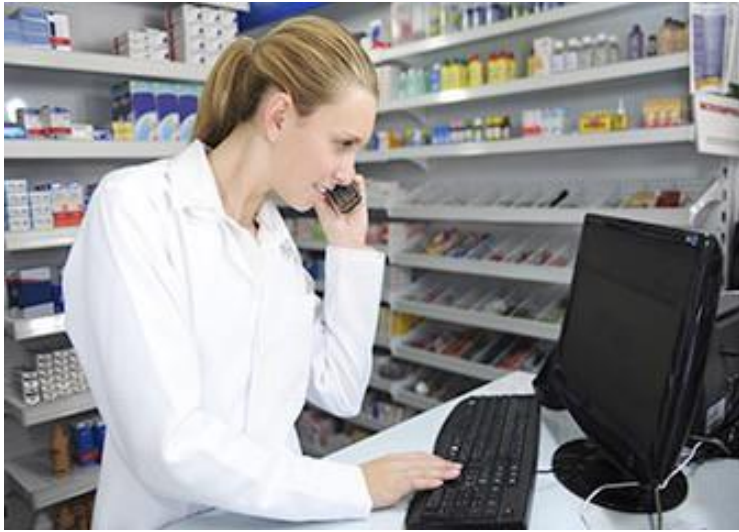
- Salary Estimates (full time)

| Retail Chain Pharmacy | Outpatient or Independent Pharmacy | 4 + years experience * | Clinical Pharmacy Technician * |
|------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| \$18-22/hr | \$20-26/hr | \$24-\$32/hr | \$30- 38/hr |
| \$37,440 - \$45,760 yr | \$41,600- \$54,080/yr | \$49,920- \$66,560/yr | \$62,400- \$79,040/yr |

* Pharmacy technician wages will depend on your area of practice (specialty), practice site, number of years experience, hours worked, and job responsibilities.

Pharmacy Technicians in the Field





CougarRx



Practice in our mock pharmacy lab!

Potential Employment Opportunities

Students will have the opportunity to meet employers from around the Columbus area during the certificate program. Employers from the following fields may be available to talk to students in class.

- Home infusion
- Retail pharmacy
- Hospital pharmacy
- Long-term care
- Nuclear pharmacy
- Health Plans/HMO Pharmacy Groups

Class Opportunities



Engaging Industry Speakers From Neighboring Pharmacies



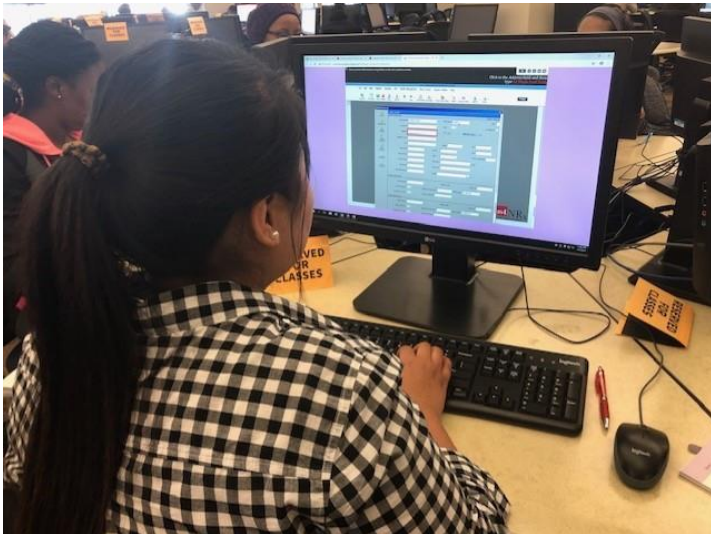
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Class Opportunities cont.



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Pharmacy Lab Training



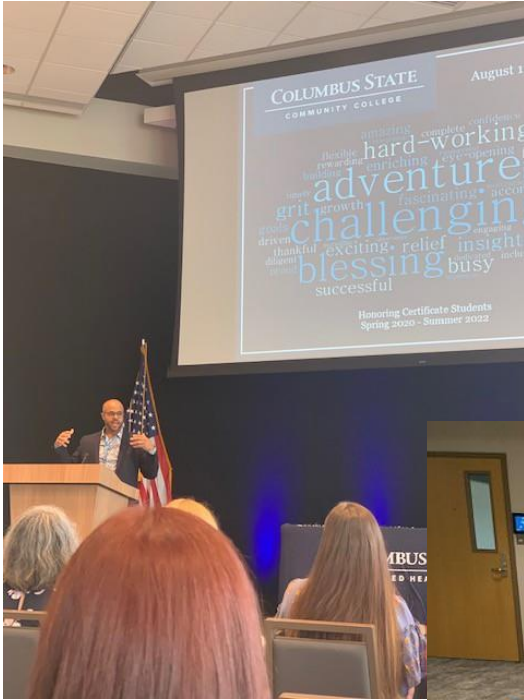
Pharmacy Lab Training



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Pinning Ceremony



Next Steps



1. Take a short quiz based on this presentation using the following link: [Information Session Quiz](#) or by using the QR code above. You will receive a confirmation receipt via email.
2. Complete your program application, if you haven't already. [Pharmacy Technician Application](#).

The pharmacy technician program admissions committee will review your complete application and provide a response within 7-10 business days.



How To

BECOME A PHARMACY TECH



Questions?

**Thank you for your
interest in the Pharmacy
Technician Certification Program.**

Please direct any questions to
pharmacytech@csc.edu.