

PHLEBOTOMY

Mini-Certificate

This program is designed to train students in the collection and processing of blood specimens, skills known as Phlebotomy. Although the Phlebotomist does not actually perform any laboratory testing, Phlebotomists do work side-by-side with Medical Laboratory Technicians and Technologists in hospitals and other health care organizations.

Phlebotomists talk with patients and donors so they are less nervous about having their blood drawn. Phlebotomists draw blood for tests, transfusions, research, or blood donations. Some of them explain their work to patients and provide assistance if patients have adverse reactions after their blood is drawn.

Phlebotomists typically do the following:

- Draw blood from patients and blood donors
- Talk with patients and donors so they are less nervous about having their blood drawn
- Label the drawn blood for testing or processing
- Enter patient information into an onsite database
- Assemble and maintain medical instruments such as needles, test tubes and blood vials

The Phlebotomy Program is offered on an as-needed basis when the job market appears suitable.

Phlebotomists work mainly in hospitals, medical and diagnostic laboratories, and doctor's offices.

<http://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/phlebotomists.htm>

Phlebotomy program requirements:

1. Meet all Dalton State College admission requirements for certificate students.
2. Be at least 17 years of age with a high school diploma or GED.
3. Receive career counseling from a School of Health Professions' advisor.
4. Submit application and documentation for the Phlebotomy program to the School of Health Professions. These requirements include:
 - a. Two (2) letters of business reference. (included in packet)
 - b. Proof of academic abilities (transcripts, etc.).
 - c. An interview with a Phlebotomy Admissions Counselor.
 - d. A completed Data Sheet and Notification Sheet.

Other program requirements, such as name tag, uniforms, medical forms, physicals, malpractice insurance, background checks, and drug screen at the student's expense, will be required after acceptance into the program.

For more information, please call the School of Health Professions at (706) 272-2658.

Major Field Courses

ALHT 1130	Allied Health Terminology	3
BIOL 1100	Human Biology *	3
CAPS 1101	Introduction to Computers ****	3

MLTS 1101	Intro to Health Sci/Phlebotomy **	3
MLTS 1102	Phlebotomy Clinical Practicum ***	5
Total Hours		17

* Substitution allowed. (Completion of BIOL 2251K and BIOL 2252K)

** Must be taken the semester immediately before MLTS 1102 .

*** Successful completion of ALHT 1130, BIOL 1100, CAPS 1101, and MLTS 1101, with a "C" (78) or better is required.

**** Only offered Spring semester of each academic year.

Plan I

Semester I:

ALHT 1130 Allied Health Terminology

BIOL 1100 Human Biology

CAPS 1101 Introduction to Computers (offered Spring semester, otherwise, will be taken with MLTS 1102-clinical practicum).

MLTS 1101 Introduction To Health Science

Semester II:

MLTS 1102 Phlebotomy Practicum

Plan II

Courses may be taken in any combination, except MLTS 1101, which has to be taken the semester before attending the MLTS 1102 practicum. Also, note that MLTS 1101 is only offered in the Fall and Spring semesters, and CAPS 1101 Introduction to Computers is only offered in the Spring semester.

Semester I:

*BIOL 1100 Human Biology

*ALHT 1130 Allied Health Terminology

Semester II:

CAPS 1101 Introduction to Computers (offered Spring semester only)

MLTS 1101 Introduction to Health Science

Semester III:

*MLTS 1102 Phlebotomy Practicum

*MLTS 1101 must be taken the semester immediately before MLTS 1102

*Courses are offered almost every semester. Program starts Fall and Spring, requiring 2 semesters in sequences, if attending full-time.

Clinical facilities used by the program require students to submit to background checks and drug screenings before they are allowed in the facility. Based on the information obtained, these facilities can refuse student access. Failure to be accepted into clinical facilities may jeopardize a student's ability to complete the program.

The Dalton State Phlebotomy program is approved by NAACLS (National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences) 5600 N. River Rd. Suite 720, Rosemont, IL 60018-5119 Phone: 847-939-3597, 773-714-8880. Fax: 773-714-8886

Program Outcome:

The Phlebotomy mini-certificate Program outcomes include placement of graduates in the workforce, pass rate for those that sit for the ASCP registry, and graduation rates based on NAACLS requirements. An acceptable placement for a graduate is if they begin working as a Phlebotomist or continue on with their education.

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Graduation Rates:

Year	# of Students (Midpoint)	# of Students Graduated	% Graduation Rate
2021	15	14	93%
2022	11	11	100%
2023	10	10	100%

Certification Rates:

Year	# of Graduates	# of Graduates Taking Certification Exam	% Certification Pass Rate
2021*	14	3	100%
2022*	11	2	100%
2023*	10	0	0

* Certification is not a requirement to obtain employment in Georgia.

Students may elect not to sit for certification but be able to obtain employment in the field.

Job Placement Rates:

Year	# of Students (Midpoint)	# Employed in or continuing Field (within 3-6 months education)	% Job Placement Rate
2021	15	14	93%
2022	11	11	100
2023	10	10	100

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