Pharmacy Technician Course

Course Information

This 51-hour comprehensive course will prepare students to enter the field of pharmacy as a Pharmacy Technician under the direction of a Pharmacist and prepare students to sit for the PTCB or ExCPT/NHA National Exam.

Course content includes:

- Medical and pharmacy terminology
- Pharmacy math and calculations
- Drug terminology
- Dosage forms
- Preparation and packaging
- Prescription processing
- Prescription dispensing
- Record keeping
- Legal requirements
- Billing
- Inventory control
- Other aspects to assisting the pharmacist in the workplace
- Review and preparation session for the PTCB or ExCPT/NHA National Exams

Certification Requirements in Oregon

The Oregon State Board of Pharmacy (http://www.oregon.gov/Pharmacy) requires that Pharmacy Technicians be certified. Pharmacy Technicians can become certified by taking and passing an examination by the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB, https://www.ptcb.org) or the Institute for the Certification of Pharmacy Technicians (ICPT, http://www.nationaltechexam.org). Please see the specific website for more information on certification requirements and exams. More information is also available from http://www.NHANow.com A criminal background check will be conducted when applicant submits an application to the State of Oregon and as part of the application for the PTCB or ICPT Exam.

Approximate Testing fee: $130.00
Approximate licensing fee: $100.00

Registration Information

This course runs every Winter Term and usually begins the second week of January. Cost of the course is $735

Class will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings 6:00 to 9:00 PM on the UCC Campus.
The instructor has been working in the field as a Pharmacy Technician for 15+ years.

Traits of a Good Pharmacy Technician

- Good Math Skills
- Good Memory
- Customer Service Oriented
- Organized
- Attention to Detail
- High Energy
- Friendly
- Professional

Special Highlights of the Course

Pharmacy Technician Requirements Oregon

Umpqua Community College does not require a background test to attend the course. However, pharmacies may require a background test prior to hiring an employee. For more information see the site below:
https://www.howtobecomeapharmacytech.org/pharmacy-technician-requirements-oregon/

Pharmacy Tech Wages Oregon

Beginning: $14.96/hr Median: 19.17/hr High: 24.39/hr

Register 541-440-4668
*This course is not eligible for financial aid, however, local funding options may be available upon request.