Medical Assistant: Phlebotomy

Holland code family: Helpers

About the Program

The phlebotomy program is a one-term program that prepares students to become licensed phlebotomists. Phlebotomists use proper prioritization procedures and coordinate collection of all phlebotomy specimens with other lab personnel. They must consistently provide phlebotomy services appropriate to the age and condition of patients to minimize re-draws (i.e., proper amounts, correct samples) and must strictly adhere to patient identification protocols as specified by regulatory requirements. This includes demonstrating knowledge of all patient safety precautions such as isolations and safety devices. In this role, it is important to use independent judgment in following established venipuncture procedures along with the ability to inspire confidence in, and communicate effectively with, unit secretaries, therapists, medical staff and visitors. This means demonstrating composure and organizational skills in handling crisis situations and effectively handling multiple tasks simultaneously in times of heavy workload.

Classes will be delivered in the evening and online. Successful completion of the program prepares students to sit for the American Society of Clinical Pathologists (ASCP) phlebotomy certification exam. Students do not automatically become certified through this program but may take the appropriate tests through ASCP after completing the program. The curriculum was written using the standards and guidelines for the ASCP phlebotomy certifications and can be reviewed at www.ascp.org.

Entry Requirements/Application Process

Program admission occurs once per year. Visit www.roguecc.edu/alliedhealth for program application details. All program prerequisite/preparatory courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or better by the start of the program to be considered eligible. All applications will be date stamped and reviewed in the order received. Applicants will be selected by committee on criteria developed in advance.

Advanced Standing

Coursework from accredited colleges and universities will be accepted in accordance with college policies and the program coordinator's recommendation. In order to ensure coursework is current, program courses over seven years old must be reviewed and approved by the appropriate coordinator before being accepted toward core requirements. College Now credit earned in conjunction with local high schools will be accepted in accordance with the current agreement.

Medical Assistant: Phlebotomy — Career Pathways Certificate (13 credits)
- Phlebotomist [1]

Medical Assistant — Certificate of Completion (41-44 credits)
- Medical Assistant (MA) [1]

Health Care Management with Clinical options, OT — Bachelor of Science articulated with RCC's Medical Assistant certificate
- Medical and health services manager [1]

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[1] For current wage and gainful employment data, see the Jobs & Wages box within the specific program roadmap at www.roguecc.edu/CareerPathways/

Graduation Requirements

These requirements apply only to phlebotomy students admitted to the program during the current academic year. The program of study, graduation requirements, and courses are under constant review and are subject to revision. Students contemplating admission in a later year may have different requirements and must obtain the graduation guide or catalog for that year. Students must complete all courses on this graduation guide with a grade of "C" or better to continue in and complete the program and receive their certificates. If certain required courses are graded only on a pass/no pass basis, a grade of "P" for these courses indicate a student earned the equivalent of a "C" or better grade.

What skills will you learn?

Visit http://go.roguecc.edu/department/program-learning-outcomes.

What are the employment opportunities?

Visit http://www.roguecc.edu/GainfulEmployment.

Prerequisites

Course No.	Course Title	Credits
CS___	Approved 3-4 credit computer science class, CS120 or above or documented computer proficiency [1]	0-4
HE252	First Aid/CPR or HE261 CPR/Basic Life Support Provider and HE112 Emergency First Aid [2]	2-3
RD90/WR90	College Reading/Fundamentals of Composition or WR91 Fundamentals of Academic Literacy (WR91 substitutes for both RD90 and WR90) or designated placement test score	0-8
Total Prerequisite Credits		**2-15**

Required Core Courses

Course No.	Course Title	Credits
First Term		
AH100	Medical Terminology: Introduction	3
AH104	Phlebotomy	3
AH105	Communication and Professional Behavior	2
AH170	Medical Assistant Practicum and Seminar	2
BI100SB	Biology of Human Body Systems [3]	3
TOTAL PROGRAM CREDITS		**13**

[1] Successful completion of CS120 or otherwise meeting the proficiency requirement within the last 10 years fulfills this requirement. Contact a computer science advisor to help determine placement.

[2] American Heart Association (AHA) certification must remain current for the duration of the program.

[3] Students who have completed either BI121 and BI122 or BI231, BI232, and BI233 (the entire sequence of either series) with an equivalent "C" or better grade do not need to take BI100SB.

For more information regarding the program and selection process, contact the Allied Health Occupations Department:

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This advising guide is for advising purposes only. Please see current college catalog for additional information on specific college policies and graduation requirements.

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