

# PHYSICIAN OFFICE LABORATORY TECHNOLOGY



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The Physician Office Laboratory certificate provides students with the opportunity to acquire the necessary skills to work under the supervision of a registered clinical scientist or pathologist in a clinical laboratory or other health agency. The Physician Office Laboratory student learns to collect specimens from the patient and perform laboratory tests in many areas of the clinical laboratory, including urinalysis and serology. Students enrolled in the program must achieve a minimum grade of C in each of their Physician Office Laboratory courses. Students will earn a total of nine credit hours upon completion and will have successfully completed at least 120 blood samples. Depending on workforce demand, admission is limited to 15 students per class. All interested students must attend an orientation.

## JOB OUTLOOK

According to the U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics, overall employment of medical laboratory technologists and technicians is projected to grow 13 percent from 2016 to 2026, which is faster than the average for all occupations. An increase in the aging population is expected to lead to a greater need to diagnose medical conditions, such as cancer or type 2 diabetes, through laboratory procedures.

Graduates can obtain positions at local clinics, dialysis, or drug-testing agencies. Students can choose to continue with a bachelor's in medical laboratory science. This program will qualify graduates to obtain positions such as laboratory manager.

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## CURRICULUM & OTHER INFORMATION

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To be considered for admission, applicants must have

- a high school diploma or GED score report AND
- minimum ACT scores of 18 in each ACT sub-content course, OR
- TABE testing (Form A) in English and Reading (12.9 or higher) and Wonderlic Math placement (200 or higher).

**Pre-requisite: None**

<b>Course Code/Title</b>	<b>Credit Hrs.</b>
PHB 170 Applied Phlebotomy.....	3
MLT 112 Urinalysis.....	2
MLT 115 Serology .....	2
PHB 155 Phlebotomy Clinical .....	2
<b>Total Credit Hrs.</b> .....	<b>9</b>

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