

MEDICAL ASSISTANT, CERTIFICATE

Program Code: CC.MEDASST

This is a limited-entry program.

Medical assistants function as integral members of the healthcare delivery team by performing administrative, clinical and other general functions of the ambulatory care setting. The Clackamas Community College Medical Assistant (MA) program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) upon the recommendation of:

The Medical Assisting Educational Review Board, MAERB (CAAHEP)
25400 U.S. Highway 19 N. Ste. 158
Clearwater, FL 33763
Phone: 727-210-2350
Website: www.caahep.org

For more information, contact healthsciences@clackamas.edu.

Outcomes

Related Instruction Outcomes

Computation

- 1 course - MTH-050 Technical Mathematics I or MTH-065 Algebra II or higher
- Use appropriate mathematics to solve problems.

Communication

- 1 course - WR-121Z Composition I (recommended) or WR-101 Workplace Writing
- Read actively, think critically, and write purposefully and capably for professional audiences.

Human Relations

- 1 course - PSY-101 Human Relations
- Engage in ethical communication processes that accomplish goals.
- The department recommends students take this course prior to program entry.

Program Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, students should be able to:

- demonstrate entry level employment skills (psychomotor/affective);
- demonstrate knowledge of medical assistant concepts (cognitive);
- communicate relevant patient information concisely and accurately;
- apply infection controls (medical/surgical), safety and bloodborne pathogen principles and techniques to the practice of medical assisting;
- apply medical laws and ethical principles to the practice of medical assisting;
- calculate and administer medications: oral and parenteral;
- describe the structure, function and organization of the human body across the lifespan.

Requirements

Information regarding specific requirements and timelines are located at the [Medical Assistant Program Website](#).

After acceptance into the program, students will be required to attend a mandatory program orientation.

Students will participate in a supervised externship in the ambulatory care setting.

Accepted students in all health sciences programs with a clinical component must meet Oregon Health Authority Rules for Students in Clinical Settings. These include:

- Screenings - Criminal Background Check, Drug Screen, TB Blood Test
- Immunizations - Tdap, Varicella, MMR, Hep B, Covid-19 (recommended), flu (recommended)
- Certifications - BLS/CPR for Healthcare Providers through the American Heart Association
 - **HP-100** Healthcare Provider BLS/CPR, First Aid/Bloodborne Pathogens satisfies this requirement

Information regarding these requirements will be provided at the program orientation. More information about the OHA rules can be found [here](#).

Disclaimer: Clinical training is required in order to complete certain Health Sciences programs offered by Clackamas Community College (CCC). Although CCC does not restrict program entry based on age, some college partners, such as healthcare agencies, organizations, and clinics, require students to be at least 18 years of age before they can participate in clinical training. Students who intend to enroll prior to reaching 18 years of age should consult with the appropriate Health Sciences program director or administrator to determine when clinical training begins for their program and to understand any limitations.

Code	Title	Credits
Prerequisites to Acceptance		
Select one of the following:		4.00
BI-120	Introduction to Human Anatomy and Physiology	
BI-231 & BI-232 & BI-233	Human Anatomy & Physiology I and Human Anatomy & Physiology II and Human Anatomy & Physiology III	
HP-110	Medical Terminology	4.00
WRD-098	Introductory College Reading & Writing 2 (or placement in WR-121Z)	4.00
MTH-050	Technical Mathematics I (or placement in MTH-060 or higher)	4.00
Fall Term		Credits
MA-150	Medical Office Practices	4.00
MA-152	Examination Room Techniques I	3.00
MA-152L	Examination Room Techniques I Lab	1.00
MA-154	Body Systems and Pharmacology	4.00
MA-158	Seminar I	2.00
		Credits
		14
Winter Term		
MA-156	Phlebotomy I	1.00
MA-156L	Phlebotomy I Lab	1.00

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MA-160	Insurance & Health Information Management	3.00
MA-162	Examination Room Techniques II	3.00
MA-162L	Examination Room Techniques Lab II	1.00
MA-164	Clinical Lab Procedures I	1.00
MA-164L	Clinical Lab Procedures I Lab	1.00
MA-168	Seminar II	2.00
Credits		13

Spring Term

Weeks 1-5		
MA-166	Phlebotomy II	1.00
MA-166L	Phlebotomy II Lab	1.00
MA-174	Clinical Lab Procedures II	1.00
MA-174L	Clinical Lab Procedures II Lab	1.00
MA-188	Certification Exam Review	2.00
Weeks 6-11		
MA-178	Medical Assistant Practicum	7.00
Credits		13
Total Credits		40

All courses must be passed with a C or better

Careers

Career opportunities include:

- employment in the ambulatory healthcare facilities
- outpatient surgical centers
- entry-level medical assistant