

# PHARMACY TECHNICIAN

# Program Number 31-536-1 **Technical Diploma • Two Terms**

#### **ABOUT THE PROGRAM**

If you are ill or injured, you have access to an enormous variety of therapeutic medications, and you trust your pharmacy to correctly interpret and fill your prescriptions. Pharmacy technicians contribute to our safety by assisting pharmacists in a variety of technical tasks. If you are attentive to detail, organized, a good communicator, and like math, science, and working with people, a career as a pharmacy technician may be your prescription for success.

#### **PROGRAM OUTCOMES**

- Demonstrate personal/interpersonal knowledge and skills in the practice of pharmacy.
- · Demonstrate foundational professional knowledge and skills for the practice of pharmacy.
- Prepare prescriptions/medication orders and pharmaceutical products for dispensing, distribution, and disposal.
- · Compound sterile and nonsterile medications.
- Follow established policies and procedures for procurement, billing, reimbursement and inventory management.
- · Utilize pharmacy technology and informatics.
- Adhere to state and federal regulations governing the practice of pharmacy.
- Apply the principles of quality assurance to the practice of pharmacy.

### **CAREER AND EDUCATION ADVANCEMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

LTC credits transfer to over 30 universities. For more information visit gotoltc.edu/futurestudents/transfer.

#### ADMISSION AND PROGRAM ENROLLMENT STEPS

- Submit online application.
- Submit transcripts (high school & other colleges). NOTE: Official transcripts required for acceptance of transfer credits; Financial Aid may require.
- Complete background check and \$20 processing fee.
- Complete the online Student Success Questionnaire.
- Complete health requirements.
- Complete Pharmacy Technician Program Handbook form.
- Schedule a Program Advising Session with your assigned advisor to plan your first semester schedule, review your entire plan of study, discuss the results of the Student Success Questionnaire.

#### **APPROXIMATE COSTS**

 \$138.90 per credit tuition (WI resident) plus \$8.33 per credit student activity fee. \$10 per credit online, iFlex or hybrid fee. Material fee varies depending on course. Other fees vary by program. Visit gotoltc.edu/financial-aid/tuition-and-fees for details.

#### **FINANCIAL AID**

This program is eligible for financial aid. Visit gotoltc.edu/Financial-Aid or talk with your Career Coach about how to apply for aid.

# **SPECIAL NOTE**

- · LTC offers its Pharmacy Technician program in cooperation with technical colleges across the state. As a pharmacy technician student, you will attend live, interactive TV classes sent from LTC to your local technical college or home computer; receive laboratory training in local pharmacies; participate in real-world, hands-on training during a 8-week clinical program; and take general studies classes at your local technical college.
- The Pharmacy Technician program conducted at Lakeshore Technical College, Cleveland, WI is accredited by the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists.
- · Must have reliable internet service.

# **RELATED PROGRAMS**

• Pharmacy Services Management Associate Degree

## CONTACT

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10501101 10501102 10536110 10536113 10536115 10536120 10536122	Term 1 Medical Terminology Health Insurance and Reimbursement Pharmaceutical Calculations Pharmacy Business Applications Pharmacy Law Fundamentals of Reading Prescriptions Pharmacology	3 3 3 2 1 3
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10536125 10536126 10801196 10536143 10536141	Term 2 Pharmacy Drug Distribution Systems Pharmacy Parenteral Admixtures Oral/Interpersonal Communication Pharmacy Hospital Clinical OR 1053614: Pharmacy Community Clinical-Adv (2cr) Pharmacy Computer Lab	2 3 3 2 2 2
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**TOTAL 32** 

Curriculum and Program Acceptance requirements are subject to change. Program start dates vary; check with your advisor for details. The tuition and fees are approximate based on 2020-2021 rates and are subject to change prior to the start of the academic year.





FUNDAMENTALS OF READING PRESCRIPTIONS...prepares the learner to work in a community or hospital pharmacy by exploring the role of a pharmacy technician within the healthcare team; examining each step in the prescription filling process; and identifying the key top 200 drugs by brand and generic name and therapeutic class. CONDITION: 315361 Pharmacy Technician or 105361 Pharmacy Services Management admission requirements met and Reading placement assessment equivalent

**HEALTH INSURANCE AND REIMBURSEMENT...** provides the learner with an understanding of the various types of insurance and managed care plans, and the cycle of medical claims processing. The learner will review cases, develop critical thinking skills in analyzing information, and selecting processes for reimbursement success.

MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY...focuses on the component parts of medical terms: prefixes, suffixes and word roots. Students practice formation, analysis and reconstruction of terms. Emphasis on spelling, definition and pronunciation. Introduction to operative, diagnostic, therapeutic and symptomatic terminology of all body systems, as well as systemic and surgical terminology.

ORAL/INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION...provides students with the skills to develop speaking, verbal and nonverbal communication, and listening skills through individual speeches, group activities, and other projects. COREQUISITE: 10838105 Intro Reading and Study Skills or Reading placement assessment equivalent

PHARMACEUTICAL CALCULATIONS...prepares the learner to enlarge and reduce formulas and solve proportions, dilutions, allegations, and other calculations pertinent to the preparation of pharmaceuticals using metric, apothecary, avoirdupois, and household measuring systems. CONDITION: 315361 Pharmacy Technician or 105361 Pharmacy Services Management or 195316 Employed Pharmacy Technician admission requirements met

PHARMACOLOGY...enhances the learner's ability to act and react appropriately in the pharmacy by learning how drugs work through examination of the anatomy, physiology, pathophysiology, and drug therapy for each of the major systems. CONDITION: 315361 Pharmacy Technician or 105361 Pharmacy Services Management or 615361 Community Retail Pharmacy Technician or 195361 Employed Pharmacy Technician admissions requirements met and Reading placement assessment equivalent

PHARMACY BUSINESS APPLICATIONS...prepares the learner to utilize pharmaceutical business terminology, procedures, customer service, record keeping, purchasing procedures, inventory control systems, pricing, merchandising, reference materials, ethics, roles, responsibilities, and relationships with patients and coworkers. CONDITION: 315361 Pharmacy Technician or 105361 Pharmacy Services Management program requirements met and Reading placement assessment equivalent

PHARMACY COMMUNITY CLINICAL...provides hands-on experience in a community pharmacy for 108 hours during quarter two. Areas of instruction include interpretation of prescriptions, entering prescriptions on computer, patient profiles, correctly filling and labeling prescriptions, billing patient and third parties, customer service, over-the-counter medications, purchasing, checking in deliveries, and inventory control, compounding and patient confidentiality. PREREQUISITES: 10536120 Fund of Rdg Prescr, 10536113 Pharm Bus Appls, 10501102 Hlth Ins & Reim, and 10536110 Pharm Calc, and CONDITION: 315361 Pharmacy Tech, 105361 Pharmacy Services Mgmt or 615361 Community Retail Pharmacy Tech admission requirements met

PHARMACY COMPUTER LAB...expands the learner's ability to enter prescription orders and familiarizes learner with a variety of pharmacy software features, including updating pharmacy databases, running reports, and billing. This course is offered in a self-paced format. PREREQUISITES: 10536120 Fundamentals of Reading Prescriptions and CONDITION 315361 Pharmacy Technician or 105361 Pharmacy Services Management admissions requirements met

PHARMACY DRUG DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS...is an introductory study of the basic drug distribution systems used in community and institutional pharmacy, including automation technology, pharmacist and pharmacy technician roles, and dispensing considerations. CONDITION: 315361 Pharmacy Technician or 105361 Pharmacy Services Management admission requirements met

PHARMACY HOSPITAL CLINICAL...provides the learner with the skills to prepare parenteral admixtures, fill medication carts and unit-dose drawers, control inventory, package medications, and maintain patient records in the hospital setting. PREREQUISITES: 10536110 Pharmacy Calc; COREQUISITES: 10536138 Pharmacy Community Clinical, 10536141 Pharmacy Computer Lab; 10536126 Pharmacy Parenteral Admixtures and CONDITION 315361 Pharmacy Tech or 105361 Pharmacy Services Management admission requirements met

PHARMACY LAW...introduces the learner to federal and state regulations that apply to pharmacy practice. CONDITION: 315361 Pharmacy Technician or 105361 Pharmacy Services Management or 195361 Employed Pharmacy Technician admissions requirements met and Reading placement assessment equivalent

PHARMACY PARENTERAL ADMIXTURES...provides the learner with the skills to utilize aseptic technique in vertical and horizontal laminar flow hoods for preparation of solutions and medications to be administered intravenously, intramuscularly, subcutaneously, and intradermally to patients. CONDITION: 315361 Pharmacy Technician or 105361 Pharmacy Services Management or 195361 Employed Pharmacy Technician admission requirements met