



Pharmacy Technician

Associate in Applied Science Degree
with Wallace State Community College – Hanceville or Online

Lend a helping hand with a Pharmacy Technician degree from Alabama Southern and Wallace State!

Would you like to make a direct impact on a patient's health and safety? With much more to do than stand behind a counter, the professional Pharmacist relies on a Pharmacy Technician for assistance. The Pharmacy Technician, under supervision, plays an important role in both treatment preparation and patient care.

The Pharmacy Technology Program is designed to educate students to assume positions as pharmacy technicians in both institutional and retail pharmacies. Pharmacy technicians work to help licensed pharmacists prepare medications and other healthcare products for patients. Technicians perform routine tasks to assist the supervising pharmacist in the preparation of prescribed medications. The program provides general education courses, lab and theory courses, as well as supervised clinical practice to develop the skills required in pharmacy technician practice.

Accreditation/Licensure

The Pharmacy Technology program has undergone an accreditation site visit and is awaiting official notification of the American Society of Health Systems Pharmacists Accreditation. Certification as a Pharmacy Technician is available through the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board upon successful



completion of their exam. Pharmacy Technicians are required to register with the Alabama Board of Pharmacy.

Course Requirements

The following requirements must be met for a student to enter professional coursework. Students will take their first year of general required courses at an Alabama Southern campus and the second year of program-specific courses at Wallace State-Hanceville or Wallace State Online.

- Application must be received by a published June deadline for Fall Semester consideration.
- Students must have a 2.0 GPA or higher.

The Healthcare Alliance offers a world of healthcare career opportunities to residents of Southwest Alabama. Our partnership with area hospitals, healthcare providers and Wallace State Community College gives you more options to unlock the key to your success without having to leave home!

- Students must provide a completed physical form certifying that the student is in good health and is able to meet clinical requirements.
- Students must provide evidence of Hepatitis B immunization.
- Students must provide proof of health insurance.
- Upon acceptance into any Health Program at WSCC-Hanceville, students will be required to submit to drug testing.

**Year 1: ASCC General Required Courses
(38 credit hours)**

ORI 101	Orientation to College	1
ENG 101	English Composition I	3
ENG 102	English Composition II	3
	Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3
SPH 106	Fundamentals of Oral Communication	3
MTH 116	Mathematical Applications	3
BIO 103	Principles of Biology I	4
BIO 201	Human Anatomy & Physiology I	4
BIO 202	Human Anatomy & Physiology II	4
BIO 120	Medical Terminology	3
PSY 200	General Psychology	3
CIS 146	Microcomputer Applications	3
EMS 100	Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation	1

**Year 2: WSCC Major Required Courses
WSCC/On-Line (31 credit hours)**

PHM 100	Introduction to Pharmacy	2
PHM 102	Pharmacology I	3
PHM 112	Pharmacology II	3
PHM 113	Drugs and Health	3
PHM 205	Billings and Computers	3
PHM 207	Institutional Pharmacy	3
PHM 210	Pharmacy Practice	3
PHM 211	Pharmacy Technician Practicum I	3
PHM 212	Pharmacy Technician Practicum II	3
PHM 214	Advanced Pharmacy Technician Practice	5
TOTAL: 69 hours		

Job Outlook

Job opportunities for full-time and part-time pharmacy technicians are very favorable—especially for those with formal certification/training or previous work experience. Due to the increased pharmaceutical needs of a larger and older population and to greater use of medication to treat illnesses, employment of these individuals is expected to grow faster than the average for all occupations through 2012.

Earnings

Pharmacy Technician: \$16,970 to \$26,830
All salaries are averages for the state of Alabama and are updated on a yearly basis.

Admissions

For more information on the Alabama Southern Regional Healthcare Alliance programs, contact Brenda Rigsby at (251) 575-8238 or email brigsby@ascc.edu.

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