

Northwood Technical College

FY25 (2024-25) Medical Laboratory Technician (Transfer Track)

The following is additional information about the Northwood Technical College Medical Laboratory Technician (MLT) program (Transfer Track).

This information supplements the program web page and district catalog.

Degree: Associate in applied science-Medical Laboratory Technician (Transfer Track)

MLT PROGRAM - 64 semester credits

PROGRAM DIRECTOR	PROGRAM LOCATIONS	CLINICAL EXPERIENCE LOCATIONS
Karla Sampsele, MS, MLS(ASCP)BB, AHI(AMT) MLT Program Director/Instructor Northwood Technical College 1019 S Knowles Ave New Richmond, WI 54017 Email: karla.sampsele@northwoodtech.edu	Northwood Tech-New Richmond combination of onsite and online instruction	Northwood Tech district, Wisconsin, and Minnesota

ACADEMIC ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Due to the limited availability of clinical experience sites, classes are limited to 12 students, and transfer students are admitted on a space-available basis only. If space is available, you will be contacted as to what additional documentation must be provided to complete your transfer and course registration. Transfers are handled on a first-come, first-served basis.

There is no time limit for course transferability, but a competency examination may be required to determine your level of knowledge. Please be advised that there may be a waiting list. You can obtain application materials by contacting the Admissions Advisor.

Submit official college transcripts and associated materials to the Admission Advisor:

Admissions Advisor
Northwood Technical College
1019 S. Knowles Ave
New Richmond, WI 54017
Phone: 715-246-6561 or 800.243.9482
newrichmond.admissions@northwoodtech.edu

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DISTANCE EDUCATION POLICY

All MLT courses have a Blackboard component requiring the internet to access. You will work collaboratively with other MLT students using Blackboard. Note: All labs will be in person.

CLASS COMMITMENT

The average amount of time spent in the classroom for a full-time student is between 20 and 25 hours per week. In addition to scheduled class time, it is expected that students spend at least two to three hours studying for each hour of classroom lecture they attend. This represents a significant time commitment, and most students find it necessary to reduce work hours during the program.

TRANSFER CREDIT

Official college transcripts must be submitted for any college coursework that has been completed. Official college transcripts must be sealed and sent from the sending institution.

ACCREDITATION

The Medical Laboratory Technician Program is seeking accreditation from the National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS). NAACLS is located at 5600 N. River Rd, Suite 720, Rosemont IL 60018-5119; phone: 773-714-8880; website www.naacls.org.



CERTIFICATION

Graduates of the program may be able to sit for the Medical Laboratory Technician national certification examination administered by the American Society of Clinical Pathology (ASCP). Graduates must take the certification examination within five years of the graduation date.

After successful completion of this exam, the individual will be a Certified Medical Laboratory Technician (MLT(ASCP)^{CM}). All states require certification in order to practice; however, some states may also require licensure.

For more information about ASCP Board of Certification Exam including cost visit www.ascp.org.

BACKGROUND CHECK AND CONVICTION RECORD

Northwood Technical College students accepted into this program are required to have Caregiver Background and/or Criminal History checks at the state and/or national levels. These checks are run after the student has been admitted into their program and before starting specific coursework or entering clinical agencies. Results from these checks for students admitted to these programs may:

- Prevent enrollment, participation, and/or admission in coursework required for graduation
- Affect ability to secure employment in the field of study upon graduation

The Background Information Disclosure form requires disclosure of all pending criminal charges and convictions. This includes pending charges, as well as conviction of a felony, misdemeanor, or municipal ordinance violation in any court, including all military courts, or a tribal court.

If a student is uncertain as to whether a pending charge or conviction is covered, they should disclose it. Convictions are reviewed on an individual basis with respect to impact upon admission to the program and will not necessarily prevent a student from entering and participating in the program. However, failure to disclose a charge or conviction will prevent program admission or result in dismissal from the program.

Fees for these background checks are the student's responsibility. Costs can be found on Northwood Tech's website at: [Tuition and Fees | Northwood Technical College](#)

[Wisconsin Caregiver Program offenses affecting caregiver eligibility](#)

Medical Laboratory Technician (MLT) students are required to complete clinical rotations during the last semester of the program. Wisconsin Caregiver background checks will be run on students at the start of the MLT program. A national criminal background check will also be run if the clinical facility requires it. The Program Director will continue to attempt placement for an MLT student with results other than "NO RECORD FOUND" until the Program Director receives three negative responses from three different potential clinical agencies. Once three different potential clinical agencies have declined a MLT student based on the results of their background check, the Program Director will cease to pursue placement for the student. It is the prerogative of the clinical facility to refuse to allow students to complete clinical rotations at their facility based on background check information. Inability to complete MLT clinical rotations based on background check findings may result in dismissal from the program since course competencies could not be met.

GRADUATE SALARY EXPECTATIONS

Current graduates starting salary is \$56,000 and up.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID

Full-time students are eligible for financial aid. Scholarships are available.

Checklist for TRANSFER into Medical Laboratory Technician Program

Because space in the Medical Laboratory Technician program is limited, transfer students will be admitted only as space is available.

Admission Requirements (Transfer Track):

Submit official transcript(s) from colleges previously attended. The transcript(s) must be evaluated by CPFL staff to determine semester placement. Once semester placement has been established, the transfer student may apply for admission to that semester. Application requirements include:

- _____ Complete Online application. Any student admitted into a Medical Laboratory Technician program within the Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) will receive reciprocity for admission at any other WTCS MLT program. The student is responsible for submitting a copy of their previous admission information.
- _____ Have earned a high school diploma or GED certificate. Current high school seniors must provide both a current high school transcript and a final (official) transcript with confer date.
- _____ Review and sign Background Check Disclosure
- _____ Review and understand Technical Standards for this program
- _____ Complete admissions meeting with Northwood Tech counselor.

Program-Specific Requirements (Transfer Track):

- _____ Submit Background Check fee to Student Services as designated on cover page.
- _____ Have acceptable results on the Wisconsin Caregiver Background Check, National Criminal Background Check, Minnesota Caregiver Background Check (if applicable), and other states, if applicable (required at program start and may be required prior to clinical experience).
- _____ Pass a physical exam, have current immunizations, and demonstrate negative status for tuberculosis (TB). Decision to not receive vaccinations may limit ability to obtain clinical placement based upon meeting site placement requirements.
- _____ COVID-19 vaccination---highly recommended. NOTE: Northwood Technical College cannot guarantee clinical placement or ability to progress in the program if a student is not able to meet the clinical site requirements including but not limited to; influenza vaccine, COVID-19 vaccine, negative TB skin test or QuantiFERON®-TB Gold In-Tube test (QFT-GIT) or T-SPOT®.TB test (T-Spot), up to date acceptable background check, or any other clinical requirements required by the clinical site. Northwood Technical College cannot guarantee clinical placement if the clinical site must be changed due to a student's inability to meet the site-specific requirements. Many sites require the student information 4-6 weeks prior to the clinical start date.
- _____ Possess current certification of "BLS Basic Life Support" (Required prior to Clinical Experience 1)
- _____ Review and sign Health Sciences Confidentiality Statement

FY26 (2025-26)

MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNICIAN PROGRAM

Prices listed are approximate costs and subject to change

TEXTBOOKS (MLT occupational specific courses)	\$1,821.00
BACKGROUND CHECKS (required): \$68.00	
National Criminal Background Check	\$68.00
ADDITIONAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS: TBD	
Uniforms	\$30.00
PROGRAM/COURSE PREREQUISITES	
47-531-437 BLS Basic Life Support	\$74.48
FIRST TERM - TUITION/FEES: \$2,581.90	
10-513-110 Basic Lab Skills	\$223.10
10-513-111 Phlebotomy	\$408.40
10-513-113 QA Lab Math	\$164.20
10-806-177 General Anatomy & Physiology	\$651.80
10-806-186 Intro to Biochemistry	\$651.80
10-801-136 English Composition 1	\$482.60
SECOND TERM - TUITION/FEES: \$2,693.80	
10-513-114 Urinalysis	\$408.40
10-513-116 Clinical Chemistry	\$816.80
10-513-120 Basic Hematology	\$612.60
10-513-121 Coagulation	\$204.20
10-806-197 Microbiology	\$651.80
THIRD TERM - TUITION/FEES: \$1,447.80	
10-801-196 Oral/Interpersonal Communication	\$482.60
10-809-198 Introduction to Psychology	\$482.60
10-809-172 Introduction to Diversity Studies	\$482.60
FOURTH TERM - TUITION/FEES: \$2,773.80	
10-513-109 Blood Bank	\$816.80
10-513-115 Basic Immunology Concepts	\$408.40
10-513-130 Advanced Hematology	\$408.40
10-513-133 Clinical Microbiology	\$816.80
10-513-170 Introduction to Molecular Diagnostics	\$323.40
FIFTH TERM - TUITION/FEES: \$2,195.40	
10-513-140 Advanced Microbiology	\$323.40
10-513-141 Pre-Clinical Experience	\$408.40
10-513-151 Clinical Experience 1	\$482.60
10-513-152 Clinical Experience 2	\$816.80
10-513-160 MLT Seminar	\$164.20
ASCP Certification Exam	\$225.00
WI Caregiver Background Check	\$15.00

APPROXIMATE PROGRAM TOTAL

\$13,926.18

Transportation costs to and from clinical agencies will vary

Computer, other required hardware, or upgrade costs will be discussed on an individual basis.

Students are responsible for additional clinical agency requirements.

Students are responsible for health form costs (TB test, Immunizations, titers, exam, etc.)