Pharmacy Technician

17-536-1 | Technical Certificate | 11 Credits

Campuses: New Richmond*, Superior* *via Online and On-Site instruction

Program Overview

The Pharmacy Technician program will prepare students for a rewarding, demanding and ever-evolving career as a pharmacy technician. Pharmacy technicians perform a variety of duties and responsibilities including preparation of prescriptions, record-keeping, inventory control, handling monetary transactions, filing third-party claims, preparing IV admixtures and unit dose medications and compounding.

Special Feature

Students are able to complete this program in the evening and Online over one semester.

Admission Requirements

- · Complete Online application form
- Submit an official high school (or HSED/GED®) transcript with graduation date.
 - If you are a current high school student, you can be admitted with an unofficial, or official, current transcript. Your final official transcript with graduation date must be submitted prior to the program starting or you will be withdrawn from the program.
- Review and sign Background Check Disclosure
- Complete admissions meeting with a Northwood Tech counselor (academic admission requirements apply see page 37 for more information)

Program-Specific Requirements

- · Submit Background Check fee
- Have an acceptable Wisconsin Caregiver Background Check, National Criminal Background Check, Minnesota Caregiver Background Check (if applicable), and other states, if applicable
- Complete physical exam and health requirements, including immunizations
- Review and sign Health Sciences Confidentiality Statement
- Possess current certification of "BLS Basic Life Support"
- Participate in a mandatory program orientation session
- Pass a mandatory drug test

Program Outcomes

The Pharmacy Technician certificate will prepare you to:

- Communicate clearly to customers/patients and healthcare providers
- Demonstrate professional behaviors and knowledge in the practice of pharmacy
- · Compound sterile and nonsterile medications
- Apply policies and procedures when processing orders and ensuring inventory accuracy
- Adhere to state and federal regulations governing the practice of pharmacy
- Demonstrate safe and inclusive practice with all customers/patients

Career Outlook

Typical positions available after graduation include:

- · Pharmacy Technician Hospital
- Pharmacy Technician Nursing Home
- · Pharmacy Technician Community
- · Pharmacy Buyer
- Prior Authorization Technician
- 340B Analyst

Required Courses

Number	Course Title	Credits (cr.)
Program Courses		
10536141	Introduction to Pharmacy	3 cr.
10536142	Pharmacy Calculations	2 cr.
10536143	Pharmacy Lab Skills	3 cr.
10536144	Pharmacology for Technicians	2 cr.
10536145	Pharmacy Clinical*	<u>1 cr.</u>

TOTAL CREDITS 11 cr.

* Requires a prerequisite and/or corequisite that must be completed with a grade point of 2.0 or better.

You must earn a grade point of 2.0 or better in all required courses.

Course repeat policies exist that allow for only a certain number of retakes within this program; please refer to the policies for details.

See pages 221-302 for course descriptions.