



# Phlebotomy

Certificate of Completion (CC)  
Planning Guide 2012–2013

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## Program Information

**Length of Program:** 13 Credits

**Completion Award:** Certificate of Completion

**Enrollment:** Fall or Spring

**Approximate Book Costs:** \$200

*(in addition to tuition and vaccinations)*

**Website:** <http://www.shoreline.edu/Phlebotomy.aspx>

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## Program Description

Shoreline Community College offers a short-term Certificate of Completion in Phlebotomy leading to entry level positions in the Phlebotomy field.

Students interested in advancement are encouraged to enroll in a longer course of study to complete an Associate in Applied Arts and Science Degree (AAAS) in Medical Laboratory Technology. Students interested in a four-year baccalaureate degree in Medical Technology should follow the Associate in Science Transfer (AS-T) planning guide.

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## Phlebotomy—What is it?

Phlebotomy is the practice of drawing blood for analysis, donation or medical testing. Students in the Phlebotomy program learn the essentials of drawing blood, including blood collection equipment, safety and infection control, and specimen processing. Upon successful completion of didactic and student lab practice, students can register for a practicum training experience.

## Program Outcomes:

Students who successfully complete this certificate should be able to:

1. Understand the role of the phlebotomist in health care settings.
2. Safely collect, process and store blood samples.
3. Communicate and work effectively with a culturally diverse population.

## Career Opportunities—What can I do with a Certificate in Phlebotomy?

Upon completion of the Phlebotomy program, students should have the knowledge and skills to work as Phlebotomists in a variety of health care settings. With a shortage of phlebotomists in the area, job prospects in the Puget Sound region are excellent. Salaries typically range from \$10 to \$14 per hour.

**Potential employers include:** Hospitals, Medical Clinics, Blood Banks, Doctor's Offices, Medical and Research Laboratories. For more, please visit career information and resources at

[www.shoreline.edu/acc/CareerCounseling.aspx](http://www.shoreline.edu/acc/CareerCounseling.aspx)

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**PROGRAM PREREQUISITES:** High school education or equivalent; ENGL 100; Recommend ESLAB 047 and ESL 100 for non-native speakers. Students are required to submit an application. Admission to the Phlebotomy program is required to register for MLT classes.

### CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION—13 Credits

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS			
Course	QTR	GR	CR
<b>FIRST QUARTER</b>			
MLT 121 Essentials of Phlebotomy			3
MLT 123 AIDS & HIV Education for Healthcare Workers			1
MLT 122 Phlebotomy Lab Basics			3
<b>SECOND QUARTER</b>			
MLT 132 Phlebotomy Practicum*			6

\*MLT 132 Phlebotomy Practicum requires 160 hours in a clinical facility. To participate in the MLT 132 Phlebotomy Practicum, students must:

1. Complete MLT courses with a 2.0 grade or better;
2. Receive instructor's permission and recommendation for practicum site training;
3. Show proof of health insurance (minimum injury/recommend injury and sickness);
4. Pay a \$6.25 Washington State liability fee (included with the 4 credit tuition fee);
5. Have current Hepatitis B vaccinations, TB skin test and CPR for Healthcare Providers;
6. Be assigned to a training facility; we cannot guarantee training at a specific facility.

### RECOMMENDATIONS:

Consider taking additional classes to enhance your knowledge and skills. Courses include:

HIIM 134 Medical Terminology  
BIOL& 170 Human Anatomy  
BUSTC 101 Beginning Keyboarding  
CIS 105 Computer Applications  
CIS 102 Computer Preparation  
BUS 104 Human Relations  
BUS 105 Essentials of Human Relations

### Certification/WA State License Information:

WA ST Healthcare Assistant (HCA) License:  
[www.doh.wa.gov/hsqa/Professions/Health\\_Care/default.htm](http://www.doh.wa.gov/hsqa/Professions/Health_Care/default.htm)

American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP)  
Certification: [www.ascp.org/boc](http://www.ascp.org/boc)

### Job Search Information

[www.workforceexplorer.com](http://www.workforceexplorer.com)

### CERTIFICATE COMPLETION

*Students should automatically receive their Certificate after successful completion all required courses. If you have not received your Certificate, please contact the Health Occupations office in the 2300 Bldg. or call 206-546-4744.*

Note: Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information in this publication. However, the information is subject to change without notice and final career decisions are the responsibility of the student.