

CERTIFICATE\*

# PHARMACY TECHNOLOGY

## Just What The Doctor Ordered – For Your Future.

Whether taking and filling prescriptions under the supervision of a licensed pharmacist or assisting with the day-to-day functions that keep a pharmacy running smoothly, pharmacy technicians have a variety of responsibilities, working in settings that include hospitals, nursing homes and assisted living facilities, as well as retail and mail-order pharmacies.

At Carrington College® we offer classroom instruction in our Pharmacy Technology program, we also provide practical training in a mock pharmacy. There is also a clinical externship that provides more hands-on training. Subjects covered include a basic knowledge of pharmacy calculations, terminology, abbreviations and symbols that technicians use when dispensing and documenting medications, as well as drug distribution methods and systems, the chemical characteristics of drugs, how to prepare sterile dosage forms and standards of ethics and law. We also help students prepare for the Certified Pharmacy Technician (CPhT) national certification exam.† The program culminates in a Certificate of Achievement.

*According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of pharmacy technicians and aides is expected to increase 20% from 2012-2022.‡*

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\* Program availability varies by location. Carrington College reserves the right to update information as it becomes available. Information is current at the time of printing. For the most updated information, visit [carrington.edu](http://carrington.edu).

† Carrington College prepares students to take appropriate certification and licensure exams related to their individual majors. The College does not guarantee students will successfully pass these exams or be certified or licensed as a result of completing the program.

‡ Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook (2014-15 Ed.)



### Duties May Include:

- Receiving prescriptions
- Filling prescriptions
- Verifying prescription information
- Maintaining patient profiles

### Possible Employment Opportunities:

- Hospitals
- Medical centers
- Skilled nursing facilities
- Private pharmacies
- Outpatient clinics
- Pharmaceutical companies



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## Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the Pharmacy Technology program, graduates will be able to:

- Demonstrate the skills and knowledge necessary to function as competent entry-level assistants to licensed pharmacists.
- Demonstrate proficiency in critical thinking and information management.

## Certification, Licensing and Practice Information

States vary in terms of certification, licensing and scope of practice for pharmacy technicians. Generally, students must register with their state's Board to become a pharmacy technician in-training. Time frames for completion vary by state, but all states require that pharmacy technicians attain licensure.

## PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS – Albuquerque, Las Vegas, Mesa, Mesquite, Phoenix North\* Portland, Tucson

Pharmacy Technology Courses		Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours	Semester Credit Hours
PHM 111	Nervous System Anti-Infectives and Retail Operations	48	48	0	4.5
PHM 112	Prescription Processing, Software and Pharmacy Calculations	48	48	0	4.5
PHM 113	Pharmacy Calculations and Body Systems	48	48	0	4.5
PHM 114	Compounding, Body Systems and Pharmacy Calculations	48	48	0	4.5
PHM 115	Hospital Operations and Parenteral Dosage Calculations	48	48	0	4.5
CDV 198.2	Career Development Seminar	30	0	0	2
XTP 200	Externship	0	0	180	4
Total for Certificate		270	240	180	28.5

\*Courses for this program are held at the Phoenix East auxiliary site, 2149 W. Dunlap, Phoenix, AZ 85021

This program is offered in a six-week format.

Approximate time to complete certificate program: 36 weeks