



Shawnee State University

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Pharmacy Technician Certification Program

October 7 – December 2, 2008
Tuesdays and Thursdays; 5:30 – 9:00 pm

The demand for Pharmacy Technicians continues to grow with demand expected to increase substantially through 2008. This high demand is the result of the constant availability of new drugs, the national shortage of registered pharmacists, the establishment of certified pharmacy technicians and the aging population.

Pharmacy Technicians work in pharmacies under the direction of a pharmacist. Their main responsibility is filling prescriptions according to the doctor's orders. Pharmacy Technicians prepare medications for dispensing to patients. This generally includes retrieving drugs in the correct dosage form and strength, measuring the appropriate amount of drug and producing a prescription label. Pharmacy Technicians work with drugs to be administered orally, topically, for the eye, nose, etc. Depending upon the practice setting, a Pharmacy Technician is also involved in the admixture of drugs for intravenous use. Other duties include:

- ❖ *Checking inventories and ordering supplies*
- ❖ *Receiving and checking in supplies*
- ❖ *Assisting customers*
- ❖ *Keeping pharmacy work areas clean*
- ❖ *Complete insurance forms*
- ❖ *Preparation of "bingo cards" for nursing home patients*

Course Information:

This comprehensive 50 hour course will prepare students to enter the pharmacy field and to take the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board's PTCB exam. (A high school diploma or GED is required to sit for the PTCB exam).

Technicians work in hospitals, home infusion pharmacies, community pharmacies and other health care settings – working under the supervision of a registered pharmacist. Course content includes medical terminology specific to the pharmacy, reading and interpreting prescription and defining drugs by generic and brand names. Students will learn dosage calculation, I.V. flow rates, drug compounding, dose conversions, dispensing of prescriptions, inventory control and billing and reimbursement.

Cost & Payment Options

Fee for this course is \$999. Pay by cash, check, Visa or MasterCard. Ask about available financing options.

To Enroll:

Call 740.351.3171 or toll-free 866.672.8778
Deadline for registration: September 26, 2008

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