

Pharmacy Technician

Online – 240 hours

On-site clerkship – 320 hours



Program Overview

Jefferson's Pharmacy Technician Certificate Program is designed to address the **growing demand for well trained pharmacy technicians**. A nationwide shortage of pharmacists, an aging population, and a growing consumer demand for prescription medications have given pharmacy technicians the opportunity to play an important and often indispensable role assisting pharmacists in the delivery of health care. The *2004-2005 Occupational Outlook Handbook* estimates that there will be a 21-35% increase in the need for pharmacy technicians by 2012.

Under the supervision of pharmacists, **pharmacy technicians** assist in the performance of those activities of a pharmacy department that do not require the professional judgment of a pharmacist. Pharmacy technicians must have a broad knowledge of pharmacy practice and must be skilled in the techniques required to order, stock, package, and prepare medications.

Jefferson's **on-line Pharmacy Technician Certificate Program** prepares individuals to participate in this growing market for pharmacy technicians. The program offers the necessary information required to pass the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board's National Certification Exam. The on-line didactic portion of the Program covers such areas as pharmaceutical terminology, basic anatomy related to the pharmacology of medications, and pharmaceutical calculations.

After successfully completing seven modules of the on-line Pharmacy Technician Certificate Program, students will be assigned to complete a **320-hour (eight-week) on-site clerkship**. This extended clerkship includes experience in both retail and hospital pharmacies located within Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, Inc. or affiliated institutions. The clerkship offers each student the opportunity to train in actual pharmacy settings.

Pharmacy Technician Curriculum

- Ethics of pharmacy practice and the role of pharmacy technicians
- Prescription medications
- Patient care and interaction
- Charges and reimbursement
- Medical and pharmaceutical terminology
- Pharmaceutical calculations
- Clerkship (clinical rotations)

Additional Information

- Begin when you wish, using any web-enabled computer
- Move at your own pace
- You are assigned an instructor for one-on-one assistance
- All materials are included
- Your work is evaluated and 73% proficiency is required for a certificate
- You should complete the online modules within 180 days
- You need to be available to complete an eight-week (320 hours) on-site clerkship through Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, Inc or approved alternative,
- You will receive a Certificate from Thomas Jefferson University upon successful completion of the program
- Cost: \$2,595
 - Includes online modules and eight-week clerkship
 - Includes all materials (books, audios, etc.) and shipping.
 - Because this is an online, self-paced training course offered cooperatively by Thomas Jefferson University and Gatlin Education Services, Inc., fees cannot be refunded.
 - Financial assistance is available through www.collegeloanapplication.com
- To make sure you are ready and willing to undertake this online program, please preview detailed course outlines, demonstrations and ratings by clicking on the following link: www.gatlineducation.com/unbrand_nomen/pharmacytechnician.html.

COURSE REGISTRATION

Pharmacy Technician

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Work Phone _____

Home Phone _____

E-Mail Address _____

Registration Fee: \$2,595

(For information on financial assistance please visit: www.collegeloanapplication.com)

Visa MasterCard Check

Account # _____

Exp. Date _____

Signature _____

HOW TO REGISTER

By Mail: Complete the registration form above, attach your check or money order and return to the address listed below:

**Thomas Jefferson University
Jefferson College of Health Professions
Department of General Studies
130 South 9th Street, 1610 Edison
Philadelphia PA 19107-5233**

By Fax: Fax registration is available 24 hours a day, 7 days per week. Be sure to fax your fully completed enrollment form with credit card information provided to (215)503-0564.