EYE CARE TECHNOLOGY, CERTIFICATE OF TECHNOLOGY

Program Information

If you've always been fascinated by the human eye and have the desire to develop the knowledge base to perform skills under the supervision of licensed eye care professionals, then the San Jacinto College Eye Care Technology program is for you.

Through our nationally recognized program, students learn a variety of skills including:

- Obtaining histories,
- Performing diagnostic tests,
- Understanding refractometry,
- Recording functional ocular measurements and tests,
- Administering topical ophthalmic and oral medications,
- Instructing patients,
- Maintaining equipment,
- Sterilizing surgical instruments,
- Assisting in ophthalmic surgery,
- Fitting of contact lenses, and
- Practicing opticianry.

Program Accreditation

The San Jacinto College Eye Care Technology program is accredited by the International Council of Accreditation (ICA). The program requires formal entry via an interview with the Program Director. Only those students who have been officially admitted to the College and have met the Eye Care Technology admission criteria will be considered. The department offers three graduation options: Occupational Certificate, Certificate of Technology, and Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree. It is designed to connect the classroom and laboratory training with external clinical instruction at leading ophthalmic centers and practices.

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Additional Information

All health care students are subject to criminal background and drug screening checks prior to entry. In accordance with Texas House Bill 1508, the College informs all students in this program who may have a criminal background that a criminal history could keep graduates from being licensed by the state of Texas. Students with any questions about their background and licensure may speak with the Department Chair.

The program begins fall term only. Students who miss the fall entry may discuss entry options with the Program Director. Students can find more information on the College website for the Eye Care Technology program (https://www.sanjac.edu/programs/areas-of-study/health/eye-care-tech/).

Career Opportunities

Graduates of our Eye Care Technology program have secured employment in many specialty areas of the eye care industry, including positions as:

- Clinical Research Technicians,
- Contact Lens Technicians,
- Field Service Technicians,
- Ophthalmic Assistants,
- Ophthalmic Surgical Assistants,
- Ophthalmic Technicians,
- Opticians,
- Optometric Assistants, and
- Retinal Photographers.

Earning Potential

Certified Ophthalmic Technicians average salary: $51,733 per year[1]

Certified Ophthalmic Assistant average salary: $42,500 per year[1]

[1] Source: Association of Technical Personnel in Ophthalmology

For more information, students may contact 281-478-3606.

Campus

Central Campus