# HEALTH SCIENCE MEDICAL ASSISTING PATHWAY, ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE



## **Program Information**

The Associate of Applied Science (AAS) in a Health Science concentration is a career path for persons who have completed one of the following certificate programs: Medical Assisting, Pharmacy Technician, or Vocational Nursing.

The 60 semester credit hour degree is designed for health science professionals in these areas to meet continuing education goals, transfer into four-year university health care administration or allied health programs, and to attain possible promotion from entry-level to advanced-level clinical positions.

## **Career Outlook Vocational Nursing**

The US Department of Labor is reporting a sharp increase for these jobs, with specific increases in large cities and metropolitan areas.

Graduates can work in:

- · Hospitals,
- · Out-patient facilities, and
- · Nursing homes.

Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses: \$55,271 per year, <sup>1</sup>

Source: texaswages.com (http://texaswages.com), median salary Gulf Coast region, 2022

### **Career Outlook Medical Assisting**

A Medical Assisting Certificate of Technology prepares students for careers in the offices of:

- · Physicians,
- · Podiatrists,
- · Chiropractors,
- · Ophthalmologists, and
- · Other health practitioners.

Medical Assistant: \$38,688 per year,

Source: texaswages.com (http://texaswages.com), median salary Gulf Coast region, 2022

#### **Career Outlook Pharmacy Technician**

Employment of pharmacy technicians is expected to increase by over 21 percent from 2016 - 2026, which is much faster than the average for all occupations. This demand will be due to the expansion of retail pharmacies, the increased number of middle-aged and elderly people, and the increasing roles and responsibilities of pharmacy technicians.

Graduates of the Pharmacy Technician program are able to work as technicians in:

- · Hospitals,
- · Nursing homes,
- · Retail.
- · Home health care, and
- · Public and government health agencies.

Pharmacy Technician: \$44,567 per year<sup>1</sup>

Source: texaswages.com (http://texaswages.com), median salary Gulf Coast region, 2022

For more information, students may contact Central campus, 281-476-1817; North campus, 281-459-5410; and South campus, 281-922-3466.

#### **Campuses**

Central Campus

**Generation Park Campus** 

North Campus

South Campus