## MEDICAL LABORATORY ASSISTANT, OCCUPATIONAL CERTIFICATE



Information

Upon completion of this program, including theory and labs on campus and at affiliate hospital sites, students earn an Occupational Certificate and are eligible to apply to take the national certification exam given by the American Medical Technologists (AMT).

Students enrolling into San Jacinto College programs with external learning experiences (i.e., clinical, practicum, externship, cooperative, etc.) will be required to comply with the immunization requirements and policies of the clinical/external learning sites to engage in all clinical/external learning experiences. Vaccination requirements at clinical/external learning sites are implemented pursuant to the independent authority of such facilities and are not mandated by San Jacinto College. Failure to meet the immunization requirements mandated by clinical/external learning sites may limit a student's ability to complete the program and/or may delay the student's graduation date. San Jacinto College does not process exemptions, and students should address

potential vaccination exemptions directly with the clinical/external learning site.

A criminal background check and/or alcohol and drug screening is required of all health science students attending clinical courses or practicums and may be required prior to admission to the program.

Medical Laboratory Assistant students must earn a grade of C or above in each Medical Laboratory Assistant course and maintain an overall grade point average of at least 2.0 in order to graduate from the Medical Laboratory Assistant program.

If a student earns a grade of D, W, or F in a Medical Laboratory Assistant course, the student will be required to repeat the course in which the unsatisfactory grade was earned and pass that course with a grade of C or better to progress.

Clinical practicum absences must be made up within the term in which they occur.

Because clinical practicum space is limited, students are admitted on a competitive basis. The program application can be found on the Medical Laboratory Assistant (https://www.sanjac.edu/programs/areas-of-study/health/med-lab-tech/) page of the San Jacinto College website. Those seeking additional information should contact the Medical Laboratory Program Director or the Department Chair for allied health. Applications for admission to the spring term class are accepted beginning in August.

Students are required to purchase uniforms and accessories. Each student is responsible for their own transportation to the clinical areas.