

PHARMACY TECHNICIAN, CERTIFICATE OF TECHNOLOGY



¹ Source: texaswages.com (<http://texaswages.com>), median salary Gulf Coast region, 2019

Campuses

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Program Information

Have you always been fascinated by medicine and technology? Do you excel in science and math? If so, you can become a vital member of the health care team by pursuing a career as a pharmacy technician.

Pharmacy technicians are vital members of the health care team. Working under the supervision of the pharmacist, the pharmacy technician performs those tasks associated with the preparation and distribution of medication. Exciting career opportunities include, but are not limited to, positions in hospitals, retail pharmacies, nursing homes, compounding pharmacies, home health care, nuclear pharmacies, insurance companies, and public and government health agencies. San Jacinto College's Pharmacy Technician program is a 12-month certificate program designed to provide applicants with the skills and knowledge to pass the National Certification Exam to be credentialed as a certified pharmacy technician as well as to qualify for entry-level positions in a variety of pharmacy settings.

The Pharmacy Technician program at San Jacinto College is an Advanced Level Training Program that is accredited by The American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) and the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE). The program is also a Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB) recognized program.

Career Opportunities

Employment of pharmacy technicians is expected to increase 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 our program are able to work as pharmacy technicians in:

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

Earning Potential

Pharmacy Technician: \$34,218 per year¹