Pharmacy Technician

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Certificate in Applied Science

(Note: Recommended program schedule of 33 credit hours outlined below is pending SACSCOC approval.)

Mission Statement:
To provide the experienced, registered pharmacy technician the opportunity to complete the educational requirement necessary to become a state-certified pharmacy technician in an expedient and thorough manner.

Entrance Requirements:
Acceptable placement test score(s)

Type of Program:
Day

Professional Credentials:
Certified Pharmacy Technician (subject to meeting state requirements)

Program Accreditation:
American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP)

Employment Opportunities:
Hospitals, rehabilitation centers, private practice, home health care, schools, specialty prescription pharmacies, nursing homes, retail pharmacies

• Admission Requirements for non-experienced pharmacy applicants
  ❑ Students must be eligible for SC Board of Pharmacy Technician Registration
  ❑ Previous experience in medical field
  ❑ Previous medical experience must be documented and approved by academic program director
  ❑ Or University Transfer Student to Pharmacy School
  ❑ Students must attend a Career Talk session for the major within the past two years.

• Admission requirements for experienced pharmacy applicants:
  ❑ Students currently holding a SC Board of Pharmacy Technician registration must be in good standing with the SC Board of Pharmacy.
  ❑ If applicable, out-of-state applicants must be in good standing with respective State Boards of Pharmacy and be eligible for SC Board of Pharmacy Technician registration
  ❑ Students may hold an active certification and be in good standing with the National Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB) or eligible to sit for the PTCB National Certification Exam.
  ❑ Students must have worked at least 1,500 hours as a pharmacy technician (current within two years). Hours must be verified with employer.
  ❑ Students must attend a Career Talk session for the major within the past two years.

• Program requirements include
  ❑ Students are required to complete and pass a physical, including documentation of required immunizations.
  ❑ Students are required to have a crime-free criminal background.
  ❑ Students are required to have a negative 10-panel drug screen.
  ❑ Students must be able to attend all clinical experiences.
  ❑ Students must complete a preclinical orientation (Healthstream).
  ❑ Students must complete valid healthcare provider CPR.
**Recommended Program Schedule**

**First Semester - Fall**

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**Total Required Credit Hours:** 33.0

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