

Phlebotomy Technician Program

Empire College has partnered with Kaiser Permanente, Sutter Health, and Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital to offer phlebotomy training leading toward certification as a California Certified Phlebotomy Technician I (CPT I). The program is approved by the State of California Department of Health Services.

Individuals who successfully complete the program will receive a certificate of completion from Empire College allowing them to sit for the National certification examination. Upon passing the National examination, graduates are eligible to apply to the State for CPT I certification.



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PBN100 Basic Phlebotomy

28 hours

2.0 units

PBN200 Advanced Phlebotomy

28 hours

2.0 units

Each 5-week 28-hour course meets 8 hours per week in the afternoon or evening.

The first half of this course focuses on basic infection control, anatomy and medical terminology. Students will learn proper vein selection, patient identification, types of collection equipment: waste disposal and post puncture care.

During the remainder of the course students will learn advanced infectious disease control and biohazards techniques. They will also learn the anticoagulation theory, along with knowledge of preanalytical sources of error in specimen collection, transport, processing and storage. Anatomical site selection and patient preparation are also taught. The class explores risk factors and appropriate responses to complications which may arise from phlebotomy. In addition, applications of basic concepts of communication, interpersonal relations, stress management, and professional ethical behavior are emphasized. Finally, students will examine the basic concepts underpinning quality assurance, as well as the legal implications of phlebotomy and legal issues related to blood collection.

Required Textbook and Materials

Phlebotomy Essentials 6th edition, Ruth McCall and Cathee Tankersley. Lippincott Williams & Wilkins 2016

Phlebotomy Essentials 6th edition Workbook, Ruth McCall and Cathee Tankersley. Lippincott Williams & Wilkins 2016

Method of Instruction

Class periods will consist of lectures, discussions, projects, and in-class activities. Students are responsible for approximately 10 hours/week of outside study. All students are expected to read and complete assigned homework **prior** to class. Students will be prompt and fully prepared for class participation with any needed materials, e.g. books, disks, or notes.

Attendance

Regular student attendance is essential to successfully accomplish all program outcomes. 100% class attendance is expected of all Empire College students. Additionally, students are expected to arrive to class on-time and remain in class until the instructor dismisses them.

PBN500 Externship for Phlebotomy 40 hours 1.0 unit

The 1-week, 40-hour externship schedule will vary depending upon the externship site. In general it occurs within one month following successful completion of PBN200–Advanced Phlebotomy.

The objective of the externship experience is to provide students with hands-on work experience in a laboratory setting where they will develop the skills necessary to complete phlebotomy assignments, apply information gained in the classroom to on-the-job assignments, work within the operational organization of a medical lab, and provide care to a variety of patients. Empire College works closely with externship staff to ensure students receive a broad exposure to patients of all ages and medical conditions. All phlebotomy assignments during the externship will be made at the discretion of the externship site supervisor. Any questions or concerns regarding these assignments will be addressed by the externship site supervisor and the Program Director or Director of Education.



Phlebotomy Program Entrance Requirements

Admission into Empire College’s Phlebotomy Technician program is determined through a personal interview with an Admissions Officer, a basic entrance assessment, and approval by the Department Chair. Admission is approved for students who demonstrate a potential to benefit from an available curriculum. Factors used to determine potential to benefit include aptitude, attitude, experience, and demeanor. A high school education or its equivalent is required for all regular programs, including the Phlebotomy Technician program. High school equivalency can be satisfied by a U.S. high school diploma or GED. Admission qualification is determined on an individual basis. All students enrolled must attend the full program, including externship.

Prior to admission, Empire College will conduct a criminal background check to include, at a minimum, a search of county court records for all jurisdictions in which the student has resided during the past seven years, as well as a search to identify registered sex offenders.

It is the student's responsibility to provide evidence of medical coverage and proof of current status of the following health screenings: **(1)** negative result to a drug screen; **(2)** Hepatitis B within last 10 years; **(3)** Measles/Mumps/Rubella – proof of two vaccines with dates of both or proof of immunity (Titer); **(4)** Varicella (Titer/vaccine) – possibly 2 immunizations; **(5)** Tuberculosis (PPD - skin/ chest x-ray) – 2 within 21 days of each other, and within the last 12 months; and **(6)** Tetanus/Diphtheria within the last 10 years.

Class Calendar

PBN100 BASIC PHLEBOTOMY	PBN200 ADVANCED PHLEBOTOMY	PBN500 EXTERNSHIP
09/16/19 - 10/17/19	10/28/19 - 11/27/19	12/09/19 - 01/23/20
10/28/19 - 11/27/19	12/09/19 - 01/23/20	02/03/20 - 03/05/20
12/09/19 - 01/23/20	02/03/20 - 03/05/20	03/23/20 - 04/23/20
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05/04/20 - 06/04/20	06/15/20 - 07/16/20	08/03/20 - 09/03/20
06/15/20 - 07/16/20	08/03/20 - 09/03/20	09/14/20 - 10/15/20
08/03/20 - 09/03/20	09/14/20 - 10/15/20	10/26/20 - 11/26/20
09/14/20 - 10/15/20	10/26/20 - 11/26/20	12/07/20 - 01/28/21
10/26/20 - 11/26/20	12/07/20 - 01/28/21	02/08/21 - 03/11/21
12/07/20 - 01/28/21	02/08/21 - 03/11/21	03/22/21 - 04/29/21

* May include Student Break Weeks within scheduled dates.

The cut-off date for application is 10 days prior to the start of the PBN100 session applied for.

Program Tuition: \$2,735

Application Fee: \$250

Book and Supply Cost: \$230* Lab Coat: \$35* Lab Fee: \$600

* tax included