

Find your prescription for success in the Pharmacy Technician program. You'll develop an understanding of the names, appropriate uses and potential side effects of commonly prescribed medications. In addition to studying in a simulated pharmacy where you will learn how to manage, dispense and compound prescription medicines, you'll also learn how to fill prescriptions using advanced robotic equipment often found in high-tech pharmacies. Due to industry requirements, this program is limited to high school seniors and adults.

The Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB) has recognized Meridian's program as an Education/Training Program for technicians seeking to earn their Certified Pharmacy Technician (CPhT) credential. Starting in 2020, the PTCB will require individuals to complete a PTCB-recognized education program, or work experience to be eligible to apply for the PTCB CPhT certification.

The Pharmacy Technician program uses <u>PioneerRx Pharmacy Software</u>, allowing students to learn in a real-world environment using the most installed software for independent pharmacies. Students strengthen their clinical and functional skills by training on a system that is innovative, robust and feature-rich.

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How You'll Learn Hands-On

Get out of the classroom and into the real world with projects such as:

- Filling prescriptions using actual pharmacy software
- Creating prescriptions such as IVs and chemotherapy medications using sterile procedures

Where it Can Take You

Use the skills you'll learn in this program to find a career you'll love. Possibilities include:

- Retail Pharmacy Technician
- Hospital Pharmacy Technician
- Pharmacist
- Physician



Possible Certifications you can earn

- Health Care Provider CPR & AED
- HeartSaver First Aid
- Certified Pharmacy Technician (CPhT) National Healthcareer Association (NHA)
- Certified Pharmacy Technician (CPhT) Pharmacy Technician Certification Board

What You'll Learn

Course	Hours
Anatomy	120
Core Healthcare Provider CPR and First Aid	15
Core Medical Terminology	45
Hospital and Long Term Care Pharmacy Operations	15
Orientation to the Pharmacy Technician Career	15
Pharmaceutical Terminology	15
Pharmaceutical Compounding	45
Pharmacological Calculations	60
Pharmacology for PhT	75
Pharmacy Law and Ethics	15
Pharmacy Technician Certification Preparation	30
Pharmacy Technician Internship	60
Professional Skills in the Pharmacy	15
Retail Pharmacy Operations	30
Sterile Products	45
Total	600

Career Readiness Certificate

<u>WorkKeys®</u>, an assessment tool from the ACT® organization, measures skills employers have identified as critical to job success in their industry and are used in hiring and



promoting employees. Students are able to earn the ACT®-issued <u>National Career</u> <u>Readiness Certificate</u> by meeting the score requirements for their job field on three WorkKeys® assessments.

Matching the right employees with the right job creates employee job satisfaction, increased self-confidence and the best wages possible for the employee. The employer benefits with reduced turnover and training, increased productivity and overall company success. To learn about the WorkKeys® scores needed for your future career field visit Job Profiles.

The required WorkKeys scores for this career major are:

Applied Math - 4 Workplace Documents - 3 Graphic Literacy - 3

Graduation Requirements

In order to be successful in a career, students will need to meet all technical and academic standards related to their career of choice at Meridian. Meridian offers rigorous programs of study designed in cooperation with business and industry to ensure students are fully prepared for the demands of the workplace.

Meridian's Career Ready Credential

When a student completes all standards as set forth in their program of study, they will be considered a graduate of Meridian and receive the Career Ready Credential. Students who do not meet these standards will not be considered graduates of Meridian. Students should have:

- Completed all courses in a career major with a grade of "C" or above and achieved required industry-based certifications for the career major
- Achieved WorkKeys® scores at or above the level required for the career major or earned an ACT® composite score of 19 or greater (Students may substitute equivalent scores on SAT, ACCUPLACER or other approved assessments.)

Additional Endorsements

Students earning a Career Ready Credential may also earn the Postsecondary Ready Endorsement, Citizenship Ready Endorsement and the National Career Readiness



Certificate (CRC).

Postsecondary Ready Endorsement

- Earned, or was on track to earn, a high school diploma or GED at the time of Meridian graduation
- Achieved a subscore of 19 or greater on the ACT® in math, English, reading and science (Students may substitute equivalent scores on SAT, ACCUPLACER or other approved assessments.)

Citizenship Ready Endorsement

- Completed employment profile, résumé, job application, cover letter, mock interview and job search training through <u>OKJobMatch.com</u>
- Documented active membership in a <u>CareerTech Student Organization</u> or professional association related to the program of study
- Documented 20 hours of volunteerism or service in a community activity

National Career Readiness Certificate (CRC)

• Completed WorkKeys® assessments in Applied Math, Graphic Literacy and Workplace Documents and received a silver, gold or platinum National <u>Career Readiness</u> <u>Certificate</u> through the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education.

Get Started

Apply for <u>admission as a high school student</u>. Apply for <u>admission as an adult</u>. Contact the Career Planning Center with questions at <u>405.377.3333</u>.