

## About This Course

Phlebotomists<sup>1</sup> are vital to the contribution of high-quality patient care. As an essential part of a health care team, phlebotomists procure blood samples for laboratory analysis. Through direct patient interaction, a phlebotomist must be knowledgeable in areas such as body system anatomy and function and proper selection of equipment. They are skilled professionals that understand their role is crucial to patient care and the assurance of quality laboratory reports.

Phlebotomists typically do the following:

- Draw blood from patients and blood donors
- Talk with patients and donors to help them feel less nervous about having their blood drawn
- Verify a patient's or donor's identity to ensure proper labeling of the blood
- Label the drawn blood for testing or processing
- Enter patient information into a database
- Assemble and maintain medical instruments such as needles, test tubes, and blood vials

The Phlebotomy Technician course culminates in a Certificate of Completion. The Phlebotomy Technician course prepares students to sit for the National Healthcareer Association Phlebotomy Technician Certification (CPT) exam<sup>2</sup>.

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right path  
to success.*

<sup>1</sup> Individuals seeking to enter this career field may be subject to screenings such as, but not limited to, criminal background checks and drug/alcohol testing prior to externship, to attain occupational licensure/certification or employment, and throughout their careers.

<sup>2</sup> Carrington College prepares students to take appropriate certification and licensure exams related to their individual majors. The College does not guarantee students will successfully pass these exams or be certified or licensed as a result of completing the course. Credential preparation varies by location.

## Careers in the Phlebotomy Technician Field

Phlebotomists work mainly in hospitals, medical and diagnostic laboratories, blood donor centers, and doctors' offices. Phlebotomists who collect blood donations sometimes travel to different offices and sites in order to set up mobile donation centers. Carrington College does not guarantee employment, nor employment within specific locations or facilities.

## Knowledge and Skills

Upon successful completion of the Phlebotomy Technician course, graduates will be able to:

- Competently collect, transport, and process blood specimens from a diverse patient population.
- Practice accepted standards for infection control, safety, and disposal of biological waste as mandated by OSHA and other agencies.
- Demonstrate professional conduct and ethical behavior consistent with state laws and regulations with other health care personnel and the public.

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# PHLEBOTOMY TECHNICIAN



Blended: Reno and Spokane

## Phlebotomy Technician Blended Certificate Requirements

TECHNICAL COURSES		LECTURE HOURS	LAB HOURS	CLINICAL HOURS	SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS
PHL12 <sup>1</sup>	Basic and Advanced Procedures in Phlebotomy with lab	40	10	50	0
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>40</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0</b>

<sup>1</sup>Lecture hours are completed online, and lab hours and clinical are completed on site.

Course length: 12 weeks (not including breaks)

## Progression Requirements

Required documentation must be submitted to the instructor no later than the completion of week two of instruction.

- Hold a current American Heart Association Basic Life Support (BLS) for the Healthcare Provider card.
- Must be 18 years old upon course start date.
- Proof of the following immunizations must be provided by students:
  - o Negative 2-step PPD test results (positive 2-step PPD test results require documentation of a negative chest X-ray and physician follow-up documenting no evidence of active tuberculosis.
  - o Measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR) immunization records of MMR booster per CDC guidelines or positive titer.
  - o Hepatitis B vaccination or positive titer.
  - o Varicella immunization or positive titer.
  - o Tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis (Tdap) booster within the previous ten years.

### Supportive technologies and equipment list:

Carrington College uses technologies and equipment to support the learning process such as: syringes, tourniquets, blood glucose strips, butterfly needles, draw station chairs, coband wraps, and simulated arms.

## Technical Coursework

The Medical Assisting program focuses on front-office administrative responsibilities such as clerical and bookkeeping functions, processing medical insurance claims back office and clinical responsibilities during which students get hands-on experience conducting a variety of diagnostic tests. The final segment of the program is a 180-hour externship that provides the opportunity for students to demonstrate skill competency in the field.

Carrington's academic catalog, available at [carrington.edu/catalog](http://carrington.edu/catalog), provides the most current and detailed program information, including admission and graduation requirements.

## Accreditation and Disclosures

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