## MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGY

# **Associate of Applied Science degree**



# Program and Career Description:

The Medical Laboratory Technician possesses the technical skills necessary to perform routine testing in the areas of hematology, serology, coagulation, clinical microbiology, clinical chemistry, blood banking, and urinalysis in clinical laboratories of hospitals, clinics, and physician offices under the supervision of a physician and/or medical technologist.

The medical laboratory technician has diverse and multi-level functions in the areas of collecting, processing, and analyzing biological specimens and other substances, principles and methodologies, performance of assays, problem solving, troubleshooting techniques, significance of clinical procedures and results, principles and practices of quality assessment, for all major areas practiced in the contemporary clinical laboratory.

#### How long is the program?

Columbia State's program is designed with a focus on general education/foundation courses Fall/Spring of the first academic year. A new cohort of students will start the intense sequence of core courses each summer for three semesters (12 months.)

#### What does the program provide?

A competency based classroom & clinical experience which provides students with the tools for licensure examination success, gainful in-field employment, and career satisfaction.

#### How is the iob market?

The demand for entry-level MLTs is strong across the region.

#### Program policies under development, contact program director for further information.

- Admission criteria finalized Fall 2016.
- Interested students MUST enroll in MLAB 1301 Spring 2017
- Applications accepted Spring 2017.
- Inaugural cohort begins Summer 2017.
- Projected 1st Graduating Class May 2018.

#### **Transfer Options**

The Medical Laboratory Technology associate of applied science degree is designed for career-entry. However, some universities may accept some or all of the course work for transfer. Transfer credit is awarded at the discretion of the receiving institution. Students are advised to inquire directly with advisors at the university level regarding expectations for transfer.

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Major in Medical Laboratory Technology (A.A.S.)

## **Program Requirements**

Students may be required to take additional Learning Support courses.

Communications Requirement **ENGL 1010** 

**SPCH 1010** 

Humanities/Fine Arts (Take 1 course) **ART 1030** ARTH 2010, 2020 ENGL 2015, 2130, 2230, 2330, 2920 HUM 1130, 1131 MUS 1030 PHIL 1030, 2030, 2033 **THEA 1030** 

Natural Science Requirement BIOL 2010, BIOL 2020, BIOL 2230\*

**Mathematics Requirement** MATH 1530\*

Social/Behavioral Sciences **PSYC 1030** 

\*Biology and math courses must have been completed no more than five years prior to start of the program.

**Core Courses ADMN 1306** MLAB 1301,1310, 1320, 2130, 2201, 2202, 2301, 2310, 2401, 2402, 2403, 2420

#### **Requirements for Graduation include:**

- earning 25% of total program credits in residence at Columbia State.
- GPA of at least 2.0 in program courses.
- · cumulative GPA must be at least 2.0 or higher
- taking the Exit Exam.

If you have completed TN eCampus courses, run a degree audit from the student tab in myChargerNet to determine how these courses apply to this program.

### **Sample Academic Plan**

#### Fall Semester 2016

ENGL 1010 BIOL 2010 MATH 1530 ADMN 1306 COLS 101	English Composition I Human Anatomy & Physiology I Elementary Statistics Medical Terminology Columbia State College Success	3 4 3 3 1 <b>14</b>
Spring Semester 2017		
BIOL 2230	Human Anatomy & Physiology II ine Arts Requirement Microbiology Intro to Medical Laboratory	4 3 4 3 <b>14</b>
Summer Semester 2017		
MLAB 2402 MLAB 2403 MLAB 2202 MLAB 2201  Fall Semester 201	Hematology Clinical Microbiology Urinalysis/Body Fluids Clinical Immunology	4 4 2 2 <b>12</b>
MLAB 2301 MLAB 1310 MLAB 1320 SPCH 1010	Practicum II	3 3 3 3 <b>12</b>
Spring Semester 2018		
MLAB 2310 MLAB 2420 MLAB 2130 MLAB 2401 PSYC 1030	Practicum IV Seminar I	3 4 1 4 3 <b>15</b>

**TOTAL CREDIT HOURS 67** 

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