

## Virginia Western Community College

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### Regional Academy

#### Pharmacy Technician – Career & Corporate Training (Non-Credit Courses)

**Monday – Friday**

**8:00 – 10:50 (refer to class schedule for actual times)**

**One Year Program offered to high school aged students in the 12<sup>th</sup> grade**

Pharmacy Tech: \$1,950

**Pre-Requisites:** VPT – Placed ENG 111 and MTE 1

*\*Refer to the VWCC Website for current tuition rates in effect at time of enrollment.*

**Tuition Assistance may be available through a grant provided by the Claude Moore Charitable Foundation.**

**Purpose:** This academy will be offered for one year for high school seniors who did not have the Medical Coding Academy. Graduates of this program may be eligible to take the Certified Pharmacy Technician exam and participate in area apprenticeships.

#### **Program Objectives:**

Pharmacy technicians are cross-trained in customer service and technical skills to provide safe and effective patient care in retail, hospital, and community pharmacies. The pharmacy is often the most accessible form of health care, and pharmacy technicians play a vital role in hospitals, health systems, and community, grocery or drug store pharmacies. Pharmacy technicians are comfortable communicating with diverse audiences, performing data entry with various software programs, problem solving to work in a busy environment, and maintaining professionalism to provide quality patient care. This course will prepare you to support pharmacists to provide safe and effective patient care.

#### **CURRENT COURSES:**

**Note:** The semester course schedule may be altered based on faculty and lab space availability at the college.

Some courses may be offered on-line or as a “Hybrid” class.

#### **FIRST SEMESTER**

##### **HLT 105 Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (1 CR)**

Provides training in coordinated mouth-to-mouth artificial ventilation and chest compression, choking, life-threatening emergencies, and sudden illness. Certifications include American Heart Association (AHA) Basic Life Support (BLS) for healthcare providers. Credit will not be awarded for both HLT 105 and HLT 106. Not intended for transfer.

##### **HIM 226 Legal Aspects of Health Record Documentation (2 CR)**

Presents the legal requirements associated with health record documentation. Emphasizes the policies and procedures concerning the protection of the confidentiality of a patient’s health records. Not intended for transfer.

##### **SDV 101 Orientation to Health Professions/Business (2 CR)**

Introduces students to the skills which are necessary to achieve their academic goals, to services offered at the college and to the discipline in which they are enrolled. Covers topics such as services at the college including the learning resources center; counseling, and advising; listening, test taking, and study skills; and topical areas which are applicable to their particular discipline. Explores the careers, skills, and pathways in health professions.

##### **Pharmacy Technician HPHV – Non-Credit “Fast Track” Program**

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## SECOND SEMESTER

### Apprenticeships/Internship

A 12 – 16 week apprenticeship or internship in area hospitals, pharmacies or other health care providers in Pharmacy Technician services will be set up through the VWCC School of Career and Corporate Training based on the student's interest and industry needs.

*An apprenticeship is a system of training of a trade or profession with on-the-job training and often some accompanying study (classroom work and reading). Most of their training is done while working for an employer who helps the apprentices learn their trade or profession.*