



Health Technology Certificate

Industry Description

According to the Minnesota Department of Education and the [Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development](#), people in entry-level health care careers are people who tend to:

- Consider relationships important. They like to work in a friendly, non-competitive environment. They like to do things for other people. They prefer jobs where they are not pressured to do things that go against their sense of right and wrong.
- Consider good working conditions important. They like jobs offering steady employment and good pay. They want employment that fits their individual work style. They may prefer doing a variety of tasks, working alone, or being busy all the time.
- Have social interests. They like work activities that assist others and promote learning and personal development. They like to communicate with others: to teach, give advice, help, or otherwise be of service to others.
- Have realistic interests. They like work activities that include practical, hands-on problems and solutions. They like to work with plants, animals, and physical materials such as wood, tools, and machinery. They often prefer to work outside.

Employers look for entry-level health care personnel who like to help people and do not mind hard work. Employees must be responsible, compassionate, emotionally stable, and cheerful. They also need to be tactful, honest, and discreet about patients' private lives.

Minnesota Law requires that any person who provides services that involve direct contact with patients and residents at a health care facility licensed by the [Minnesota Department of Health](#) have a background study conducted by the state. An individual who is disqualified from having direct patient contact as a result of the background study, and whose disqualification is not set aside by the Commissioner of Health, will not be permitted to participate in a clinical placement in a Minnesota licensed health care facility. The College will withdraw any student from the program who is disqualified by the Minnesota Department of Health. The student is responsible for requesting the Commissioner to reconsider the disqualification.

Program Description

These certificates will provide students with skills to secure an entry-level position in the health care field (nursing assistant, phlebotomist, and home health aide) or allow students to engage in coursework that will transfer into the different health programs.

Length of Program

Health Technology Certificate 26 credits

Start Dates

Fall Semester August
Spring Semester January

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Health Technology Certificate**26 credits****General Education****7**

*ENGL 1105 Composition I	4
SPCH 1200 Interpersonal Communications	3
OR	
SPCH 1120 Public Speaking	3
OR	
SPCH 1500 Intercultural Communications	3

Technical Education**(select 9 credits from the following)**

HLTH 1000 Disease Conditions	2
HLTH 1005 Anatomy & Physiology	4
*HLTH 1030 Medication Administration for Unlicensed Personnel	3
HLTH 1040 Medical Terminology	2
*HLTH 1103 Nursing Assistant/Home Health Aide	5

Electives**(select 10 credits from the following)**

*BIOL 1106 Introduction to Biology	4
*BIOL 2100 Anatomy & Physiology I	4
*BIOL 2200 Anatomy & Physiology II	4
*COMP 1000 Introduction to Computers	3
COMP 1002 Computer Technologies for Communication	2
EMED 1075 First Aid & CPR	1
*MATH 1010 Dosage Calculations for Health Care Professionals	1
PSYC 1405 Lifespan Development	4
PSYC 1505 General Psychology	4
+HBHL 1802 Phlebotomy	(100 hours)

*Course has prerequisite, see course schedule.

+Course is offered as a non-credit course and therefore is ineligible for financial aid and cannot

be used toward the 26 credits required for graduation.

To be eligible for graduation from this program:

- ✓ All courses need to be passed with a "C" or better
- ✓ You must take either:
 - HLTH 1103 Nursing Assistant/Home Health Aide
 - OR
 - HLTH Medication Administration for Unlicensed Personnel
 - OR
 - HBHL 1802 Phlebotomy

