

Red Rocks Community College Phlebotomy Certification Program Frequently Asked Questions

What is Phlebotomy?

- ✚ This course is designed to prepare the student to be a skilled Phlebotomist in the health care industry. Skills taught will be venipuncture, finger stick, and technique. After completion, the student is eligible to apply and sit for the National AMT (American Medical Technologist) Certification exam.

How old do you have to be to take this program?

- ✚ 18 years of age or older

How many credits?

- ✚ 7 credits total
- ✚ A 4 credit theory class and a 3 credit clinical internship of 135 hours

How long is the class?

- ✚ 2 semesters for class and clinical internship

When is the clinical internship scheduled?

- ✚ Clinical internship schedules will vary. Students will be notified as soon as possible.
- ✚ During clinical internship, students are REQUIRED to be available to work days, 40 hours per week.

How often is the class & internships taught?

- ✚ Class is once in the Fall semester and once in the Spring semester
- ✚ Internships will be in the Spring and Summer semesters

How many students are accepted each semester?

- ✚ 18 students per semester

How much does the class cost?

- ✚ Colorado resident tuition ~ approximately \$900*
- ✚ Books ~ approximately \$55* per semester (contact bookstore at 303-914-6232)
- ✚ Scrubs ~ approximately \$50-\$100*
- ✚ Online Background Check \$59* (www.healthcareex.com)
- ✚ Possible charges for required immunizations
- ✚ National AMT Exam \$75*
(*Subject to change)

What other expenses will there be?

- ✚ Recommended but not required: Anatomy & Physiology (4 credits) and Medical Terminology (2 credits) ~ both courses are provided at RRCC

Are there any prerequisites?

- ✚ ENG 090 or ACCUPLACER scores for ENG 121
- ✚ Submit application along with proof of prerequisites

What are the hours/days of classes?

- ✚ See current class schedules for details

What is the average starting salary?

- ✚ \$10-\$12 per hour

Is there any help with job placement afterward?

- ✚ Yes. RRCC Student Employment and Internships

Can I work my regular job while going to school?

- ✚ Yes, but we do not recommend that students work more than 20 hours per week.

What are the requirements for the class?

- ✚ You must complete the online Phlebotomy application, provide copy of prerequisites and return to Lynn Beltran by the deadline for consideration.
- ✚ Deadlines:
 - Spring Semester - June 1
 - Fall Semester - November 1

What are the requirements for the clinical internship?

- Prior to clinical internship:
 - Successfully pass background check
 - Complete Statement of Health Care Provider
 - HPR 112 must be completed with a 'C' or better to be eligible for internship

Is there a Wait List?

- ✚ Yes

Where are classes held?

- ✚ RRCC Lakewood Campus
- ✚ Clinical sites will vary