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Allied Health Education Clinical Laboratory Assistant Certificate Program Requirements 2011-2012

Student Name: _____

Student ID: _____

Program Description The Clinical Laboratory Assistant Program is designed to prepare students for entry-level positions in the clinical laboratory. These entry level positions include employment in medical centers, outpatient laboratories, research facilities, and doctor offices. Students are trained in all aspects of the clinical laboratory including, the skill of phlebotomy, waived testing, specimen processing, data entry, laboratory safety, result retrieval, quality control, laboratory billing, basic microbiology, and transfusion support services.

Upon completing AHE 141 and AHE 143, students within this program will be eligible for ASCP certification and licensing as a Health Care Assistant "A" (WA State). The knowledge, skills, and abilities in this program were designed based on the standards defined by NAACLS and ASCP.

Degree Outcomes The knowledge, skills, and abilities incorporated into this course of study were based on established skills standards at the state and national level. Each course describes the specific skills the student will gain in that portion of the course. Outcomes for Edmonds Community College degrees and certificates can be found in the online college catalog at the bottom of each degree or certificate. To find specific outcomes, click on the degree or certificate from the program list in the online catalog at <http://catalog.edcc.edu>.

Common Course Numbering Changes Please refer to www.edcc.edu/ccn for more information.

Credit/Grade Requirements This Certificate requires successful completion of a minimum of **26** credits as outlined. A minimum of one-third of the required credits must be earned at Edmonds Community College. Students are required to maintain a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 in all college-level courses. Students who wish to waive AHE 141, either through transfer credits or work experience, must receive instructor permission.

Prerequisites Proof of completion of the prerequisite courses with a minimum grade of 2.0 or equivalent is required to enroll in the certificate classes. Course substitutions are allowed. Students with previous healthcare training may be able to waive prerequisites on adviser approval. Students must see their Allied Health program adviser to complete this process.

Certificate/Graduation Application A completed graduation application form must be submitted to Enrollment Services by the 10th day of the quarter in which the student expects to finish. Forms are available at Enrollment Services located in Lynnwood Hall, or online at www.edcc.edu/credentials/

Students are advised to

- Plan their schedule several quarters in advance in order to accommodate courses that are offered only once or twice a year
- Review the college catalog for required course prerequisites and include these in schedule planning. (Refer to box above certificate requirements)
- Communicate with a faculty adviser

SPECIAL NOTES

Criminal background checks are required for all Allied Health programs. Students should be aware that **certain gross misdemeanors and felonies may disqualify them from participating in clinical externships and unable to complete their certificate. Future employment opportunities in the healthcare field may also be affected.** Students may request their background check from the Washington State Patrol (small fee required); students are encouraged to meet with an adviser if the background check reveals any activity that might disqualify them from the externship.

Summary of Occupational Exposure Students planning to enter the Clinical Laboratory Assistant program or any of the modules contained within the program need to know that, as a health care provider, they are at risk for exposure to blood borne pathogens. Tasks and procedure performed by the health care professional involve risks classified by the Center for Disease Control in the following ways

- Category I – Direct contact with blood or other bodily fluids to which universal precautions apply
- Category II – Activities performed without blood exposure but exposure may occur in emergencies
- Category III – Task/activity does not entail predictable or unpredictable exposure to blood

Advisers The advisers for this program are

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College Resources

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| Department Website | http://ahe.edcc.edu |
| Home Page | http://www.edcc.edu |
| How to Enroll | http://getstarted.edcc.edu |
| Advising appointments | 425-640-1458 |
| College Bookstore | http://bookstore.edcc.edu |

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Prerequisites (Minimum 17 credits)

The following courses are required before beginning any of the certifications. Substitutions are allowed and students with previous health care training may be able to waive prerequisites on adviser approval.

| Course | Qtr | Credit | Grade |
|--|-------|--------|-------|
| AHE 110 The Human Body-Structure and Function | _____ | 5 | _____ |
| AHE 115 CPR – Allied Health OR | _____ | 1 | _____ |
| HLTH 105 Emergency Response/CPR | _____ | 4 | _____ |
| AHE 116 Intro to Health Care | _____ | 4 | _____ |
| BSTEC 104 Medical Terminology | _____ | 3 | _____ |
| BSTEC 129 PC Basics OR | _____ | 3 | _____ |
| BSTEC 130 Computer Fundamentals OR | _____ | 5 | _____ |
| CIS 100 Intro to Business Computing | _____ | 5 | _____ |
| SHS 170 HIV/AIDS Training for Healthcare Professionals | _____ | 1 | _____ |

Adviser's Signature

Date

Dean's Signature

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Certificate Requirements (26 credits)

Clinical Laboratory Courses – 22 credits

| Course | Qtr | Credit | Grade |
|--|-------|--------|-------|
| AHE 141 Phlebotomy Technician | _____ | 5 | _____ |
| AHE 144 Clinical Laboratory Assistant I | _____ | 5 | _____ |
| AHE 145 Clinical Laboratory Assistant II | _____ | 5 | _____ |
| AHE 146 Clinical Laboratory Assistant III | _____ | 5 | _____ |
| AHE 147 Clinical Laboratory Assistant Externship | _____ | 2 | _____ |

Elective Courses - 4 credits minimum

| Course | Qtr | Credit | Grade |
|---|-------|--------|-------|
| AHE 143 Phlebotomy Clinical Externship | _____ | 4 | _____ |
| BSTEC 115 Medical Law and Ethics | _____ | 3 | _____ |
| BSTEC 294 Career Management | _____ | 3 | _____ |
| COMM 101 Intercultural Communications:CD * | _____ | 5 | _____ |
| ENGL 100 Intro to College Writing | _____ | 5 | _____ |
| FSS 175 Intro to Family Support | _____ | 3 | _____ |
| JOB DV 110 Resumes and Interviewing | _____ | 1 | _____ |
| PSYC& 100 General Psychology * | _____ | 5 | _____ |
| SHS 161 Aging in America | _____ | 4 | _____ |
| SHS 185 Human Growth/Development:CD OR | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| EDUC 185 Human Growth/Development:CD * | _____ | 5 | _____ |
| SHS 219 Working with Diverse Populations | _____ | 3 | _____ |
| CMST& 210 Interpersonal Communication * | _____ | 5 | _____ |
| CMST& 220 Public Speaking | _____ | 5 | _____ |

Explanatory Notes

* These electives meet prerequisite requirements for RN programs and may have prerequisite requirement of their own, please check the course catalog

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