

- **When are your phlebotomy courses offered?**

The course is only offered in the Spring semester due to low enrollment during other times of the year. If you are interested in taking the course outside of the Spring semester, please contact [mlt@macc.edu](mailto:mlt@macc.edu) or 573-582-0817 and express interest. We are actively collecting data to find out if it will benefit our student population to hold the course during the Fall semester as well.

- **I want to apply to the program. How do I get an application packet?**

Application instructions will be available on our website starting in the Fall semester.

- **When is the application deadline?**

Applications are due December 15 for Spring enrollment

- **How many students do you accept?**

Roughly 10-15 students each class (Spring semesters)

- **What campus are the courses taught at?**

The courses are taught as a hybrid option, with mainly virtual, live lectures and an in-person student lab held at our Mexico Missouri Campus located at 2900 Doreli Drive, Mexico MO 65265 during two nights of the course.

- **How can I enroll?**

Please complete the application on the program website in it's entirety. Once it's completed, please submit it and the program office will review. Once deemed complete and acceptable, an enrollment form will be given directly to the student and enrollment can occur at any of our MACC campuses with any advisor with the signed enrollment form.

- **How much does the program cost?**

Typically, as an estimate, students may spend around \$1,500 for the course, for all associated background checks, drug testing, books, tuition and fees, etc. This does not include the cost of any immunizations or scrubs that might be necessary.

- **Is financial aid available?**

Unfortunately, because this is a non-degree seeking program, financial aid is unavailable. There may be grants available through community resources to apply for, so please contact your local workforce development board for more information.

- **Can I have my references write a letter of recommendation instead of completing the required reference forms?**

References must be completed using the required reference forms. You will find them in your admissions packet. Please note there are 3 different reference forms. Each form must be filled out according to the directions at the top. One reference must be from an instructor, either current or previous, one reference must be from an employer, and the other reference from a person of your choosing that is not a friend or family member.

- **What if I've been out of school for an extended period of time and I don't have a current or previous instructor to ask for a reference?**

Please contact the Program Coordinator to inform of your specific circumstance and alternative arrangements may be available.

- **How long is the program? What is the schedule like?**

16 weeks. Lecture meets once a week on Thursday nights virtually during our Spring semester, following the traditional MACC academic calendar. Student Lab is held on the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> week of class on our Mexico campus during scheduled class time. Clinicals are held during the daytime, typically, with a schedule that is created with the clinical site and student directly. Either 2, 4, 8 or 10 hour shifts are commonly performed until you have reached 100 hours of clinical experience.

- **How will you assign my clinical sites? Is there travel involved?**

We assign clinical sites based on order of enrollment in the course. (i.e. the first to enroll gets first choice of clinical site). We have contracts throughout the state of Missouri with clinical sites and typically students do not have to travel more than 30-45 minutes to get to their clinical site if it is not located in their hometown. Students who do not have a clinical site near where they live may have to travel at a maximum of 60 minutes to the closest clinical location.

- **What days/times are clinicals?**

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- **How do I apply to take my certification exam? How much does the exam cost?**

Please visit the American Society for Clinical Pathologists (ASCP) Board of Certification website for the most current information.