

Health Professions & Length of Study

3 - 6 months

Basic Emergency Medical Technician (C)
Direct Care Provider (C)
Medical Coder (20 week program or C)
Medical Secretary (OJT or C)
Nursing Assistant (C)
Phlebotomist (OJT or C)

7 - 11 months

Dental Assistant (OJT or C)
Intermediate Emergency Medical Technician (C)
Medical Assistant (OJT)
Medical Coder (C)
Massage Therapist (C or D)
Medical Secretary (C)
Medical Transcriptionist (C)
Pharmacy Technician (OJT)

1 year - 1-1/2 years

Biomedical Equipment Technician (D)
Dental Assistant (D)
Diagnostic Medical Sonographer (D)
Licensed Practical Nurse (D)
Medical Assistant (D)
Medical Laboratory Technician (D)
Medical Secretary (D)
Paramedic (C)
Pharmacy Technician (D)
Surgical Technologist (D)

2 years

Biomedical Equipment Technician (A)
Cardiovascular Technologist (A)
Dental Hygienist (A)
Diagnostic Medical Sonographer (A)
Dietetic Technician (A)
Health Information Technician (A)
Histology Technician (A)
Human Services Worker (A)
Medical Assistant (A)
Medical Laboratory Technician (A)
Medical Secretary (A)
Medical Transcriptionist (A)
Occupational Therapy Assistant (A)
Optician (OJT under a licensed optician, optometrist, or ophthalmologist or A)

2 years continued...

Paramedic (A)
Pharmacy Technician (A)
Physical Therapist Assistant (A)
Radiologic Technologist (D or A or hospital-based)
Registered Nurse (A)
Respiratory Therapist (A)
Surgical Technologist (A)
Veterinary Technician (A)

3 years

Diagnostic Medical Sonographer (graduation from a 2- or 4- year allied health program is required to enter this 1-year program - AC)
Medical Technologist (must be a certified MLT and have the core prerequisite requirements - B)
Nuclear Medicine Technologist (graduation from a 2- or 4- year allied health program is required to enter this 1-year program - AC)

4 years

Athletic Trainer (B)
Biomedical Engineer (B)
Creative Arts Therapist (B)
Dental Hygienist (B)
Diagnostic Medical Sonographer (B)
Dietitian (one must complete an additional 1-year internship to become registered - B)
Health Care Administrator (B)
Health Educator (B)
Health Information Administrator (B)
Histotechnologist (B)
Human Services Worker (B)
Industrial Hygienist (B)
Medical Technologist (students must have completed 2 years of core courses to enter this program or online program for certified MLTs - B)
Nuclear Medicine Technologist (B)
Perfusionist (must already have completed 2 years at an accredited college - B)
Physician Assistant (must already have completed 2 years at an accredited college - B)
Prosthetist and Orthotist (B)
Radiation Therapist (B or hospital-based program restricted to graduates of accredited radiography programs.
Radiologic Technologist (B)
Recreational Therapist (B)
Registered Nurse (B)
Respiratory Therapist (B)

Social Worker (B)
Veterinary Technician (B)

5 years

Clinical Nurse Specialist (one must be prepared as an RN with a B in nursing - M)
Creative Arts Therapist (M)
Cytotechnologist (one must already have a B to enter this 1-year program - AC)
Dietitian (one must have a B and complete an internship to become registered)
Health Educator (M)
Health Information Administrator (must already have a B with coursework in science & statistics - AC)
Industrial Hygienist (M)
Medical Technologist (for college science graduates - AC)
Recreational Therapist (M)

6 years and beyond

Acupuncturist (M on to DOC)
Audiologist (DOC)
Biomedical Engineer (M)
Chiropractor (one may enter after 3 years of college, however, some schools require a B - DOC)
Clinical Nurse Specialist (one must be prepared as a RN with a B in nursing - M)
Counselor (M on to DOC)
Dentist (one may enter dental school after 2 years of college or after bachelor's degree - DOC)
Dietitian (M on to DOC)
Doctor of Medicine (DOC)
Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DOC)
Genetic Counselor (M)
Geneticist (DOC)
Health Care Administrator (M on to DOC)
Health Sciences Librarian (M)
Medical Dosimetrist (one must be a certified radiation therapist to enter B program or one must have a B in physical or biological science for OJT under the supervision of a Dosimetrist)
Medical Illustrator (M)
Nurse Anesthetist (one must hold a B in nursing, a current nursing license, and at least one year of experience in an acute care area - M)
Nurse-Midwife (one must hold a B in nursing, a current nursing license, and have experience in the field for a M or one must be a registered nurse with a M in nursing and hold a current license - AC)
Nurse Practitioner (a registered nurse with a current license and a B in nursing may get a M or one must be a registered nurse with a M in nursing and hold a

6 years and beyond continued...

current license - AC)
Occupational Therapist (M)
Optometrist (one may enter program after 3 years of college or after bachelor's degree - DOC)
Perfusionist (must already have B - AC)
Pharmacist (one may enter program after 2 years of college or after bachelor's degree - DOC)
Physical Therapist (M on to DOC)
Physician Assistant (M)
Podiatrist (one may enter program after 3 years of college or after bachelor's degree - DOC)
Prosthetist and Orthotist (M)
Psychologist (one must have a B and a M before entering this program - DOC)
Social Worker (M on to DOC)
Speech/Language Pathologist (M on to DOC)
Veterinarian (DOC)

OJT - on the job training

C - certificate

D - diploma

A - associate degree

B - bachelor's degree

AC - advanced certificate

M - master's degree

DOC - doctoral degree

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