

Completion of the Program

Following the successful completion of the phlebotomy program, a graduation ceremony is held for graduating students. Graduates are presented with a Certificate of Completion.

Criteria for Dismissal

The following actions may cause a student to be dismissed from the phlebotomy program:

- Failure to meet minimum grade requirements for practicals and/or written exams
- Unexcused absences or excessive
- Failure to work well with laboratory and/or hospital personnel
- Any breach of confidentiality and/or laboratory and/or hospital procedures

Appeal of Dismissal

An appeal may be made by the student to the Program Director if they feel that the dismissal was unfair or prejudiced. The appeal must be submitted in writing. The student and Program Director will present the appeal to the Appeals Committee. The appeal will be reviewed by the Committee and a decision reached.

About Us

Rapides Regional Medical Center (RRMC) began in 1903 as a small, two-story wooden building with just 20 beds and six physicians. hospital policies and procedures. It has since grown into a 320-bed, state-of-the-art medical facility with more than 200 physicians from 30 medical specialties. With a continued emphasis on progressive care, RRMC has grown to meet the continually changing needs of our patients and the rapidly advancing technology of modern healthcare.

Rapides Regional Medical Center does not discriminate against any person on the basis of age, gender, disability, race, color, ancestry, citizenship, religion, pregnancy, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, medical condition, martial status or veteran status.

Accreditation

RRMC's School of Phlebotomy is approved by the National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS).

NAACLS

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Contact Us

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School of Phlebotomy
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What is a Phlebotomist?

A phlebotomist is a healthcare professional who collects blood from patients for laboratory analysis.

Where can I work as a Phlebotomist?

Many phlebotomists are employed in hospitals. However, there are many other employment opportunities available to trained phlebotomists, including: clinical laboratories, physicians' offices, urgent care clinics, nursing homes, and blood donor centers

What will I learn as a Phlebotomy student?

All clinical and classroom experiences are designed to prepare graduates to successfully pass the ASCP certification exam and to meet NAACLS competencies for an approved phlebotomy program.

In addition to phlebotomy classes, students will complete a BLS course and become CPR certified during the program. Students will be required to rotate all clinical shifts (day, evening, and night) during the program.

All classroom and clinical training is conducted at RRMC or at a RRMC physician office. There is no college credit awarded for classroom learning completed in this program. A certificate of completion will be awarded upon the successful completion of the program. This Certificate is not dependent on the graduate passing any certification exam.

How do I apply?

Applications are accepted throughout the year. Application deadlines are:

- November 15 for the January class
- March 15 for the April class
- July 15 for the August class

Applications can be downloaded at: www.rapidesregional.com or requests for application packets can be made by calling Rapides Regional Laboratory at 318.769.3177

Completed applications can be delivered to the Laboratory at Rapides Regional Medical Center or can be mailed to the following:

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Candidate interviews are determined after all complete applications are reviewed and scored. All applicants will be notified by phone or mail of their application status after applications are reviewed.

What is the cost?

There is no tuition required to attend the phlebotomy program and no work contract obligation. The School of Phlebotomy is financially supported by Rapides Regional Medical Center. The student is only responsible for purchasing their textbook and scrubs, including a white lab jacket.

Upon completion of the program, graduating students are eligible to apply for a national certification exam through the American College of Clinical Pathology (ASCP). The cost for this exam is \$145 (non-refundable) and is the responsibility of the student.

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