

Specialty Certificate in Phlebotomy

Program Outcomes

Upon completion of this certificate, students will be able to draw blood from the patient so various laboratory work can be performed to aid the physician with treatment.

Employment Opportunities or Additional Educational Options

This certificate prepares students for work as a phlebotomist working mainly in clinics, physician's offices or hospitals. Some home health agencies hire phlebotomists who also have nurse aide skills.

To Learn More About This Program

Contact Jillian Taylor at 269-782-1236 or jbrown35@swmich.edu.

Certificate Requirements

To earn this certificate, students must have an overall GPA of 2.0 or higher, fulfill the course requirements of the program listed below, and complete a minimum of 9 credit hours.

Certificate Courses

Course ID	Course	Credits
HEED 116	Phlebotomy	5 credits
HEED 251	Phlebotomy Clinical	4 credits

PREREQUISITES:

- Students are required to successfully complete the Accuplacer exam prior to registering for the course.
- No course prerequisites are required, but previous knowledge of medical terminology is helpful.
- This position requires students to be on their feet for most of the shift. Students should be able to lift more than 50 lbs.
- Students will be required to undergo a criminal background check and drug screening. Students concerned with possible findings on their background check should talk to the Dean of the School of Nursing and Health Sciences before registering for the class.
- Students must apply for separate admission in advance by obtaining an application packet in the Office of First Year Experience. Available seats are limited. See the program contact for specifics and application deadlines.
- Students who have previously failed this class will not be able to repeat the course.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

- Students must successfully complete both the theory and lab portions of both courses to be eligible for the licensing examination.
- Students must have access to reliable transportation to complete clinical assignments.
- Students are expected to demonstrate proof of required immunizations. See program advisor for specifics.
- Students must pass the CPR course that is given within the Phlebotomy class.
- The course is offered only Spring Semester on the Dowagiac campus.