

STANDARDS FOR CAREER READY PRACTICE

- Apply appropriate technical skills and academic knowledge
- Communicate clearly, effectively, and with reason
- Develop an education and career plan aligned with personal goals.
- Apply technology to enhance productivity.
- Utilize critical thinking to make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.
- Practice personal health and understand financial literacy.
- Act as a responsible citizen in the workplace and the community.
- Model integrity, ethical leadership, and effective management.
- Work productively in teams while integrating cultural and global competence.
- Demonstrate creativity and innovation.
- Employ valid and reliable research strategies
- Understand the environmental, social, and economic impacts of decisions.

The AC²E Vision

The Academy for College and Career Excellence, in partnership with our parents and community, strives to create a safe environment where students are empowered to discover their strengths and to achieve their maximum potential. Students are encouraged to become lifelong learners who are prepared to meet the challenges of a culturally diverse society along with the demands of current and future job markets.

ROP/CTE COURSES OFFER

(Not all courses are offered each semester)

- 911 Communications Dispatcher*
- Private Security Guard*
- Criminal Justice
- Early Childhood Development
- Culinary Arts
- Woodworking Occupations
- Furniture & Cabinet Manufacturing
- Cyber Security*
- Unmanned Aircraft Systems*
- Pharmacy Technician*
- Medical Assistant
- Registered Dental Assistant*

*Open to adults

Populations Served

- Black Rock High School
- Twentynine Palms High School
- Yucca Valley High School
- Adult Learners

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Pharmacy Technician





Becoming a Pharmacy Technician

This course is designed to train students to obtain entry-level positions in the Pharmacy Technician industry. The program teaches students basic pharmacology, measurement and calculating techniques, pharmaceutical abbreviations, terminology and classification, preparations of unit dose packaging, preparation and delivery of medications, inventory control, legal and ethical responsibilities, clerical skills, and customer service skills. Upon successful completion of the course, the student will meet the requirements of the State Board of Pharmacy for employment as a Pharmacy Technician. The student will also be eligible to apply for a Pharmacy Technician license and be prepared for the national exam. Instruction includes both classroom and clinical training at pharmacies.

Why a Pharmacy Technician?

Pharmacy technicians help pharmacists dispense prescription medication to customers or health professionals. They mainly work in retail pharmacies and hospitals.

Pharmacy technicians typically do the following:

- Collect information needed to fill a prescription from customers or health professionals
- Measure amounts of medication for prescriptions
- Package and label prescriptions
- Organize inventory and alert pharmacists to any shortages of medications or supplies
- Accept payment for prescriptions and process insurance claims
- Enter customer or patient information, including any prescriptions taken, into a computer system
- Answer phone calls from customers
- Arrange for customers to speak with pharmacists if customers have questions about medications or health matters

Pharmacy technicians work under the supervision of pharmacists, who must review prescriptions before they are given to patients. Technicians can compound or mix some medications and call physicians for prescription refill authorizations. Technicians also may need to operate automated dispensing equipment when filling prescription orders.

Career Outlook

Employment of pharmacy technicians is projected to grow 4 percent from 2019 to 2029, about as fast as the average for all occupations. The population is aging, and older people typically use more prescription medicines than younger people. Higher rates of chronic diseases, such as diabetes, among all age groups also will lead to increased demand for prescription medications. Advances in pharmaceutical research will allow for more prescription medications to be used to fight diseases.



Sample Salaries for Pharmacy Technicians by Industry*

Hospitals; state, local and private	\$39,290
Pharmacies and drug stores	\$33,110
Food and beverage stores	\$32,320

*Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics