Medical Assistant
Advanced Practice

The heart of healthcare.

Medical Assistants are trained primarily to work in doctors’ offices, clinics or health maintenance organizations. As members of an allied health care profession, the medical assistant’s role is to assist with care and treatment of patients through administrative and clinical procedures.

WHY SLCC?

The Advanced Practice Medical Assistant Program (APMA) is a selective admission, four-semester program that leads to an AAS degree. Prequisites prior to applying to the program typically require one semester. However, the number of semesters may vary depending on the student's situation. Please see an academic advisor. The program is designed to provide all of the theory and education required to be an Advanced Practice Medical Assistant. This includes general and advanced clinical and administrative procedures such as, but not limited to: compliance, risk management, supervisory functions, leadership skills, patient care, financial management and development, marketing, communications, limited radiology and patient education.

The SLCC APMA program prepares competent medical assistants in the cognitive (knowledge), psychomotor (skills) and affective (behavior) learning domains.

Medical Assistants are allied health professionals who work under provider supervision in outpatient settings and are delegated clinical and administrative tasks.

Participants in the SLCC APMA program may receive training to qualify as a Limited Radiology Practical Technician (LRPT). LRPTs perform x-ray examinations on specific body parts, such as the chest, torso or extremities of the patient.

The Salt Lake Community College/Division of Allied Health, Jordan Campus, Medical Assistant Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) upon the recommendation of the Medical Assisting Education Review Board (MAERB). Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs 25400 US Highway 19 North, Suite 158, Clearwater, FL 33763 Website: caahep.org

CAREERS & SALARY

Median Average Hourly Wage: $14.79
jobs.utah.gov

PROGRAM COST

Approximately $11,000 including Regular Tuition and Fees:
slcc.edu/student/financial/tuition-fees.aspx

MORE INFORMATION

Division of Allied Health 801-957-6200
Academic Advisor 801-957-6215
slcc.edu/medicalassistant

*Disclaimer: Although every attempt is made to ensure information on this sheet is correct, information is subject to change. Please consult the website for the latest information.
ADMISSION PROCESS

• All applicants must be at least 18 years of age.
• All applicants must be a high school graduate or equivalent.
• Apply to SLCC and be admitted as a matriculated student.
• Meet with the Medical Assistant program advisor. Call 801-957-6215 to schedule an appointment.
• Complete or be currently enrolled in prerequisite courses, before applying to the APMA program.
• Submit online APMA application, and pay the $25 application fee.
• Notification of acceptance or nonacceptance will only be sent through BruinMail. If accepted, further instructions regarding the drug screening and orientation will be provided.
• Application information including prerequisites, transcripts and Health Sciences pre-admission exam can be found at: slcc.edu/hs/admissions

PREREQUISITES

Prerequisites must be completed with a C grade or better.
• ENGL 1010 English* (EN) (3)
• MA 1011 Applied Math for Medical Assistants (QS) (3)
• MA 1100 Medical Terminology (3)
• MA 1420 Clinical Pathology I (3)

*ENGL 1010, Introduction to Writing: C grade or better using APA referencing is recommended

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

• Students may come in contact with blood-borne pathogens and infectious diseases, and all students in the APMA program must follow proper OSHA procedures and practice universal precautions.
• Accepted students are required to attend the mandatory new student orientation day.
• The APMA program may be completed on a part-time basis, once accepted into the program.
• Students will be responsible for providing their own transportation to clinical sites.

Visit the Medical Assisting website for more information at: slcc.edu/medicalassistant

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* Any communication (CM) designated course is acceptable.

**MA 2810 is completed after all APMA courses have been completed with a C grade or better.