MEDICAL ASSISTANT

DEGREES, CERTIFICATES AND AWARDS

Certificate of Achievement

DESCRIPTION

The Medical Assistant program prepares people to work under the direction of physicians and registered nurses in medical offices and clinics. Students who complete the certificate in medical assistant will have the knowledge which will allow them to comprehend and communicate with medical professionals effectively and may provide enhanced employment opportunities in the field once they gain relevant job experience.

PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. Successfully complete front office/administrative externship with an employer assessment of student.
2. Successfully complete back office/clinical externship with an employer assessment of the student.
3. Successfully identify correct medical terminology used in patient care and procedures.

CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

The Certificate of Achievement program is designed for students with personal or occupational goals who wish early employment. To qualify for the Certificate, a student must satisfy the following requirements: (1) complete all courses listed for a particular certificate.; (2) achieve a "C" average (2.0 GPA) for all courses used to complete the certificate; and, (3) file a Certificate Application form with Admissions and Records by the appropriate deadline(s) identified on the application.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

- Medical Assistant

Gainful Employment: Federal regulations require institutions to provide students with Gainful Employment information for specific certificate programs offered at IVC. Please click on our Programs of Study link to view the information for each certificate program: **http://www.imperial.edu/courses-and-programs/programs-of-study/**

TRANSFER PREPARATION

Courses that fulfill major requirements for an associate degree at Imperial Valley College may not be the same as those required for completing the major at a transfer institution offering a bachelor's degree. Students who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university should schedule an appointment with an IVC Counselor to develop a student education plan (SEP) before beginning their program.

Transfer Resources:

www.ASSIST.org – CSU and UC Articulation Agreements and Majors Search Engine

www.CSUMentor.edu – CSU System Information

www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions/index.html - UC System Information

www.aiccu.edu – California Independent Colleges and Universities, Association of

http://wiche.edu/wue - Western Undergraduate Exchange Programs

FINANCIAL AID

Paying for the cost of a college education requires a partnership among parents, students and the college. As the cost of higher education continues to rise we want you to know that IVC offers a full array of financial aid programs – grants, work study, scholarships, and fee waivers (we do not participate in the federal loan programs). These programs are available to both full and part time students who are seeking a degree or certificate. For those who qualify, financial aid is available to help with tuition, fees, books and supplies, food, housing, transportation, and childcare. Please log onto our website for additional information: **www.imperial.edu/students/financial-aid-and-scholarships/**

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Twenty-six and one-half (26.5) units required for the certificate.

ALL COURSES FOR THIS CERTIFICATE MUST BE COMPLETED WITH A MINIMUM GRADE OF "C" OR BETTER.

I. Required courses for the certificate (26.5 units)

AHP	070	Administrative Medical Assistant I	4.5
AHP	072	Administrative Medical Assistant II	4.5
AHP	074	Clinical Externship I	2.0
AHP	080	Specimen Collection & Lab Procedures	3.5
AHP	082	Exam Room Procedures	3.5
AHP	084	Pharmacology & Administration	3.5
AHP	086	Clinical Externship II	2.0
AHP	100	Medical Terminology	3.0

Total Certificate Units	26.5
Total Maximum Units:	**26.5**