Education Program

Medical Assisting
2013-14 Associate of Applied Science

Career Description
Medical Assistants perform administrative and clinical tasks to keep the offices of physicians, podiatrists, chiropractors, and other health practitioners running smoothly. The duties of medical assistants vary from office to office, depending on the location and size of the practice and the practitioner’s specialty. In small practices, medical assistants usually do many different kinds of tasks, handling both administrative and clinical duties and reporting directly to an office manager, physician, or other health practitioner.

Program Features
Graduates of the program may take the American Association of Medical Assistants (AAMA) National Certification Examination to become Certified Medical Assistants.

Admission Requirements
In addition to the Wichita Area Technical College Admissions Policy, students must meet all requirements located on the Medical Assistant Admission Checklist.

Costs *
| Tuition       | $5,402.00 |
| Fees         | $1,767.00 |
| Lab Fees     | $1,800.00 |
| Total        | $8,969.00 |

*Cost does not include online fees, books or tools

Start Dates
- August 2013
- June 2014
- January 2014
- October 2013
- March 2014

Associate of Applied Science 62 Credits

Required Technical Courses
- ALH 130 Emergency Preparedness for Health Professionals 1
- ALH 131 Diseases, Disorders, & Diagnostic Procedures 2
- ALH 155 Pharmacology for Allied Health 3
- EMP 105 Career Strategies 1
- MEA 101 Professional Issues 2
- MEA 111 Patient Care I 5
- MEA 113 Medical Administrative Aspects 4
- MEA 115 Insurance Billing & Coding 3
- MEA 116 Pharmacology Medication Administration 2
- MEA 121 Patient Care II 4
- MEA 125 Clinical Laboratory Procedures 4
- MEA 131 Medical Assistant Practicum 6
- MEA 210 Advanced Procedures in Medical Assisting 4

Required General Education Courses
- ALH 101 Medical Terminology 3
- BIO 150 Human Anatomy & Physiology 5
- CED 115 Computer Applications 3
- CPR 001 CPR for Healthcare Providers 1
- ENG 101 Composition I 3
- MTH 112 College Algebra 3
- SPH 101 Public Speaking 3

Total 62

Accreditations/Affiliations
WATC is approved by the Higher Learning Commission.
The Medical Assistant program is approved by the Kansas Board of Regents.
The program is also accredited by:

The Medical Assistant program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) on the recommendation of the American Association of Medical Assistants’ Medical Assisting Education Review Board (MAERB).
Success Rate
This chart contains the results of the one-year follow-up study conducted in 2011 of 2010-11 Wichita Area Technical College postsecondary program completers. WATC defines success as those graduates who have found placement in a job, the military or are enrolled in advanced study.

Graduates * Placement for all employed in the military or continuing their education

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<td>Graduates</td>
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<td>92.0%</td>
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* Graduates Eligible and Contacted in follow-up study

Wages
BLS Data Source: Bureau of labor Statistics (2010); State of Kansas Mean wages.
WATC does not guarantee the below wages, but has matched training programs to job titles and mean wages in Kansas.

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