Allied Health Continuing Education

Spring Schedule 2026

Completed applications will be accepted from Oct. 27-Nov. 21, 2025. Accepted applicants will be notified via Pirate Portal email Dec.1-5, 2025.

(EKG) Electrocardiogram Technician-\$800 ECRD 1011

Textbook & Workbook: Hartman's Complete Guide for the EKG Technician

Tuition Includes Books & Certification

This 64-hour course will cover fundamentals of cardiovascular anatomy and physiology; Including basic electrocardiography procedures, interpretation of basic dysrhythmias, and appropriate treatment modalities. Students will be able to describe the anatomy and physiology of the cardiovascular system, perform basic electrocardiography procedures, and interpret basic dysrhythmias. Once a student successfully passes the NHA certification exam, they will be a Certified EKG Technician (CET). This course may be face-to-face, online, or a combination of both.

Victoria

Feb. 5-May 21, 2026 Thurs. • 6-9 p.m. VC Main Campus & Online Allied Health Building, Room 122 (Classes will not be held March 16-20.)

Medical Assisting-\$790 MDCA 1091

Textbook & Workbook: Hartman's Medical Assisting: The Basics

Tuition Includes Books & Certification

Medical assistants work alongside physicians, mainly in outpatient or ambulatory care facilities, such as medical offices and clinics. Medical assistants are cross-trained to perform administrative and clinical duties. Duties vary from office to office depending on location, size, specialty, and state law. Once a student successfully passes the certification exam, they will be a Certified Clinical Medical Assistant (CCMA). This course may be face-to-face, online, or a combination of both. (92 hours to include clinical practice)

A day in the life of a medical assistant might include:

- Taking medical histories
- Explaining treatment procedures to patients
- Collecting and preparing laboratory specimens
- Assisting the physician during exams
- Preparing and administering medications
- Using computer applications
- Updating and filing patient medical records
- · Verifying patient health insurance benefits and coverage
- Scheduling appointments

Victoria

Feb. 2-April 29, 2026 Feb. 3-April 30, 2026 Mon. & Wed. • 6-9 p.m. Tues. & Thurs. • 5-8 p.m. VC Main Campus
Allied Health Building, Room 106
(Classes will not be held March 16-20.)



Medical Coding-\$1,695 POFM 1000

Textbook & Codebook: AAPC approved Tuition Includes Books & Certification

Develop knowledge and skills to be able to identify different classification systems and assign codes using appropriate rules, principles, guidelines, and conventions. Student will learn to describe and explain the differences/similarities among insurance plans. This course may be face-to-face, online, or a combination of both. Upon successful completion, the student will take certification exam. (90 hours)

Victoria

Feb. 7-May 26, 2026
Sat., Feb. 7 • 9 a.m.-Noon **and** Tues. & Thurs. • 6-9 p.m.

VC Main Campus & Online
Health Sciences Center, Room 132
(Classes will not be held March 16-20.)

Medication Aide for Nurse Aide-\$690 NURA 1013

Textbook: Hartman's Complete Guide for the Medication Aide

Tuition Includes Textbook

A medication aide is a certified nursing assistant (CNA) that has completed additional classroom training to be certified to dispense medications to patients while working under the supervision of a registered nurse. The class is face-to-face combined with online modules. (130 lecture hours and 10 clinical hours)

A medication aide is permitted by the Texas Department of Health & Human Services (HHS) to administer medications to residents in:

- nursing facilities
- · intermediate care facilities for individuals with an intellectual disability or related conditions
- · correctional institutions
- assisted living (personal care) facilities

Victoria

Jan. 27-March 27, 2026
Fri. • 8 a.m.-Noon
VC Main Campus
Allied Health Building, Room 106
(Classes will not be held March 16-20.)

Medication Aide Update-\$55 NURA 1041

Tuition Includes Renewal

Intensive training in an identified area(s) to meet continuing education and/or review/update requirements associated with professional licensure or certification. Medication Aides MUST renew their permit annually. This includes taking this 7 hour WCE course and paying the \$15 fee to Health & Human Services (HHS). First year permit holders may renew by paying the HHS fee only. Permits that have lapsed for one year or more *cannot* be renewed. The 7 hour continuing education class should be taken at least three months before your permit expires. A medication aide is also a nurse aide and must receive nurse aide continuing in-service documentation. Course is strictly online. This course is no longer offered face-to-face.

Texas Health & Human Services are using an online portal to process all Medication Aide licensing. Medication Aides needing to renew their license are required to register through Texas Unified Licensure Information Portal (TULIP). The system will also provide the current status of an application. For instructions on how to create your account and complete the renewal process, visit https://txhhs.my.site.com/TULIP/s/login/. Please read all information carefully.

Online

Feb. 4, 2026 April 1, 2026



Pharmacy Technician-\$880 PHRA 1001

Textbook: *Pharmacy Practice for Technicians* by Cirrus/Paradigm Education Solutions **Tuition Includes Textbook**

This comprehensive 64-hour program will prepare students to work as a pharmacy technician in a retail or other pharmacy setting and to take the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board's PTCB exam. Course content includes: pharmacy medical terminology, the pharmacy practice in multiple environments, pharmacy calculations and measurements, reading and interpreting prescriptions and defining drugs by generic and brand names. Through classroom lecture and hands on labs, students will review dosage calculations, drug classifications, the "top 200 drugs", I.V. flow rates, sterile compounding, dose conversions, aseptic technique, the handling of sterile products, total parenteral nutrition (TPN), dispensing of prescriptions, inventory control and billing and reimbursement. Once a student successfully passes the certification exam from the PTCB, they will be a Certified Pharmacy Technician (CPhT). This course may be face-to-face, online, or a combination of both. (74 hours including clinical observation)

Victoria

Feb. 3-April 23, 2026
Tues. & Thurs. • 9 a.m.-Noon
VC Main Campus
Allied Health Building, Room 106
(Classes will not be held March 16-20.)

Gonzales

Feb. 21-May 16, 2026 – Class is canceled. Sat. • 9 a.m. 3:30 p.m. (30-minute lunch)

VC Gonzales Center

424 E. Sarah DeWitt Drive

Gonzales, TX 78629

(Classes will not be held March 16-20.)

Phlebotomy-\$790 PLAB 1023

Textbook: Hartman's Complete Guide for the Phlebotomy Technician

Tuition Includes Textbook & Certification

Phlebotomists draw blood from patients, collect a variety of other specimen samples as well as label the blood vials. Phlebotomists are also responsible for delivering all blood and specimen samples to the laboratory either in the hospital or locally in the area. Once a student successfully passes the certification exam, they will be a Certified Phlebotomy Technician (CPT). This course may be face-to-face, online, or a combination of both. (92 hours to include clinical component)

A day in the life of a phlebotomist might include:

- collecting blood samples from patients
- practicing proper patient identification
- deciphering the best method for drawing blood depending on the patient
- expecting to work with patients varying in age and health status
- being friendly, courteous, and sympathetic when working with patients
- always keeping your phlebotomy cart or station well-organized
- · always practicing infection control standards

Victoria

Feb. 9-May 6, 2026 Mon. & Wed. • 6-9 p.m. VC Main Campus Health Sciences Center, Room 133 (Classes will not be held March 16-20.)



Veterinary Assistant-\$605 VTHT 1008

Textbook & Workbook: Elsevier's Veterinary Assisting

Tuition Includes Books & Certification

Survey of veterinary medicine, including veterinary-related careers, safety in the veterinary workplace, the human-companion animal bond, animal restraint, client relations, and basic medical terminology. Clinical will cover survey of basic veterinary and nursing care skills. Includes aseptic techniques and operating room procedures, and the roles and responsibilities of the veterinary team in a clinical setting. Once a student successfully passes the certification exam, they will be a Certified Veterinary Assistant (CVA). This course may be face to face, online, or a combination of both. (36 hours)

Victoria

Feb. 10-April 16, 2026 Tues. & Thurs. • 3-5 p.m. <u>VC Main Campus</u> Allied Health Building, Room 106 (Classes will not be held March 16-20.)

