

FACULTY OF APPLIED HEALTH & COMMUNITY STUDIES

Community Pharmacy Assistant

Sheridan's Community Pharmacy Assistant program prepares you to work as a pharmacy assistant in a community dispensary.

94%

Employer Satisfaction*
with the knowledge and skills that our graduates possess.

Ontario College Certificate

Program Code: PCPHA

Full-Time | Davis Campus | 1 yr (2 semesters)



Train to work in a community pharmacy.

A changing landscape

As the scope of practice for pharmacists and registered pharmacy technicians expands into higher levels of expertise, the role of the pharmacy assistant is becoming critical to the operational effectiveness of the community pharmacy. Sheridan's Community Pharmacy Assistant program gives you the resources you need to take advantage of these job opportunities.

Critical training

This program is designed to provide you with the basic knowledge and skills you'll need to work as a pharmacy assistant in a community pharmacy dispensary. When you graduate, you'll be well prepared to assist pharmacists and pharmacy technicians with day-to-day tasks in compliance with current legislation and policies, and to provide excellent patient care and customer service.

Things you'll learn to do

- Process, prepare, package, and label prescriptions and pharmaceutical products.
- Solve problems relating to prescriptions such as adjudication problems, calculations and legality issues.
- Identify common prescription, non-prescription and medical devices that support healthy living.

Admission Requirements

Program Eligibility

Ontario Secondary School Diploma or equivalent, including these required courses:

- One English, Grade 12 (ENG4C or ENG4U)

or

Mature student status.

Applicant Selection

Eligible applicants will be selected on the basis of their previous academic achievement (the average of their six highest senior-level credits, including required courses).

Applicants who do not meet the admission requirements for this program will be assessed and advised individually and may be considered for other, related programs.

Articulation Agreement

Applicants who do not possess the necessary admission requirements to this program at Sheridan who complete the Pre-Health Sciences Pathway to Advanced Diplomas and Degrees program will be granted admission, contingent on space in the program (in the semester that they are applying for), if they have an overall GPA of 3.0 and a minimum of B grades in all their math and science courses.

Where space is not available in the semester for which an applicant has applied and the applicant meets all the requirements of this agreement, admission to a later intake of the program will be granted.

Applicants from the Pre-Health Sciences Pathway to Advanced Diplomas and Degrees program must also complete all other pre-admission requirements for their chosen program, such as criminal record checks, immunization documentation, etc. listed in the program admission requirements. All applicants to the Practical Nursing, Veterinary Technician, and Pharmacy Technician programs must also take the HOAE (Health Occupation Aptitude Exam) pre-admission test. Taking the HOAE is a requirement to meet the terms of the articulation; however, admission to the program is not contingent on test results at this time.

Prospective students should ensure that they meet the eligibility criteria for registration, such as English language proficiency in the program for which this transfer process is being applied.

Criminal Record Check and Immunization Requirements

Sheridan field placement agencies may require a police record check for criminal offences, a vulnerable sector check and/or a current record of immunization. Before beginning field placement, students will need to obtain, at their own expense, valid CPR (Level C), A.E.D. and Standard First Aid certificates(s). Students will be required to provide this documentation directly to their field placement prior to the start of the placement. Students who cannot meet these requirements may have limited field placement opportunities. Please refer to the immunization information on Sheridan's website, or come in to one of the campus health centres.

Refer to the website for full admission requirements.

Career Opportunities

Sheridan graduates are in high demand. When you complete the Community Pharmacy Assistant program, you'll be ready to take the position of pharmacy assistant at one of the locations listed below.

HERE ARE SOME EXAMPLES OF PLACES YOU MIGHT WORK:

Community pharmacies

Specialized pharmacy settings

Long-term care pharmacies

Courses

SOME OF THE COURSES YOU CAN EXPECT TO TAKE IN YOUR PROGRAM

Basic Physiology and Pharmacotherapeutics

Pharmacy Management and Inventory Control

Community Pharmacy Practice

Pharmacy Math

Introduction to Pharmaceutical Compounding

Self-medications and Complementary Therapies

Note: See website for specific terms and course listings.

More information



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