Pharmacy Technician

This diploma program gives you the specialized training you need to practice as a registered pharmacy technician.

Critical training
This program is accredited by the Canadian Council for Accreditation of Pharmacy Programs. You’ll learn in state-of-the-art facilities designed to replicate the drug distribution systems used in today’s pharmacy settings, and will receive the specialized training you need to work as a pharmacy technician in a community, hospital or other pharmacy practice site.

Things you’ll learn to do
- Read and interpret drug orders.
- Process prescriptions using industry software.
- Complete third-party (insurance) billing.
- Prepare, package, label, and dispense medications.
- Perform sterile and non-sterile compounding.
- Think critically and identify problems pertaining to drug therapy.

Hands-on experience
You’ll complete two four-week field placements (160 hours each) – one in a retail pharmacy and one in a hospital pharmacy. Prior to your placements, you must obtain (at your own expense) a valid CPR + AED certificate (Level C) with standard First Aid, and present an up-to-date immunization record approved by the Sheridan College Health Centre.

Train to work in a retail or hospital pharmacy.
Admission Requirements

Program Eligibility
Ontario Secondary School Diploma or equivalent, including these required courses:
• One English, Grade 12 (ENG4C or ENG4U)  
  plus
• One Mathematics, Grade 12 (C or U) with a minimum of 70%
• Biology, Grade 11 (C or U)
• Chemistry, Grade 12 (C or U) or Chemistry, Grade 11 (U)
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).

English proficiency requirements for the Pharmacy Technician program (PPHTO) are as follows:

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For more information about the English Proficiency requirements for Pharmacy Technicians, please visit the Ontario College of Pharmacists website.

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.

English Language Proficiency
All applicants whose first language is not English must meet Sheridan’s English proficiency requirements.
Refer to the website for full admission requirements.

Career Opportunities
Sheridan graduates are in high demand. When you complete the Pharmacy Technician diploma program, you’ll be ready to take a position at one of the locations listed below.

Here are some places you might work:
- Community pharmacies
- Hospital pharmacies
- Insurance companies
- Long-term care pharmacies
- Pharmacy software providers
- Specialized pharmacy settings

Courses
Some of the courses you can expect to take in your program

Community Pharmacy Practices
Introduction to Community Pharmacy Dispensing
Introduction to Pharmacology
Pharmacy Management and Inventory Control
Principles of Sterile Preparations and Aseptic Techniques
Self-Medications and Complementary Therapies

Note: See website for specific terms and course listings.

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