

# Phlebotomy

## Certificate in Phlebotomy (CERT\_PHLE)

Liston Campus, Providence – Days; Fall and Spring semesters

Liston Campus, Providence – Evenings; Fall semester

Phlebotomists are essential members of the healthcare delivery team who primarily are responsible for collecting blood specimens from patients for laboratory testing. The phlebotomist plays a vital role by obtaining quality specimens that enable the laboratory to deliver meaningful and accurate test results to assist the physician in diagnosis.

The Phlebotomy certificate program is a part-time, two-semester program, offering three classes per year. The program includes lectures and laboratory experiences at CCRI as well as practical training at a clinical site. Instruction is designed to provide both the technical and interpersonal skills required for the competent and professional practice of phlebotomy.

Upon successful completion of this program, graduates are eligible to sit for a national certification examination for phlebotomy given by recognized agencies. Qualified phlebotomists may be employed in hospital laboratories, private laboratories, doctors' offices, clinics, emergency rooms or blood donor centers.

Phlebotomy students are eligible for financial aid and the Dean's List.

**Technical standards:** The physical activity level (strength) level for phlebotomist (079. 36.022) is classified as "light" by the Department of Labor Dictionary of Occupational Titles.

**Note:** Many courses require prerequisites, corequisites and/or testing. See course descriptions at the back of the catalog for details.

### GENERAL POLICIES

See important general policies in the beginning of this section on the performance-based Health Sciences application process, academic progress, advanced placement, background check, CPR certification, health insurance, health records, reinstatement, transportation, uniforms, and equipment.

Minimum requirements to apply to the Phlebotomy certificate program

1. **CCRI application** – Complete and submit a CCRI Application for Enrollment. General Studies should be the first choice; PHLE should be the second choice.
2. **High school transcript** – An official copy of a high school or GED® transcript, including date of graduation, must be provided. If the applicant holds a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university, the high school transcript may be waived; a college transcript must indicate completion and degree awarded.
3. **Placement testing** – Complete a standardized test (ACCUPLACER) issued by CCRI's Department of Advising and Counseling. Students may NOT retake the ACCUPLACER test before completing the remedial course/ courses. **Note:** For application purposes, ACCUPLACER testing can be waived for students who provide documentation of a bachelor's degree or higher. Students are advised that individual departments may still require ACCUPLACER testing as a prerequisite for their courses.
  - a. **Reading comprehension test** must show competency of 80 or above or students must complete ENGL 0890 - Critical Reading with a grade of B- or better. ENGL 1300 will not substitute for ENGL 1010.
4. **Health Sciences application** – Complete and submit a performance-based Health Sciences application including a preadmission degree evaluation during the open enrollment period.
  - a. **IMPORTANT:** Submission of a performance-based Health Sciences application does not guarantee acceptance to the program. Acceptance is based on points earned as listed in the program acceptance criteria point system. (See [www.ccri.edu/dean-hrs](http://www.ccri.edu/dean-hrs).) At the time of admission, students must meet the current admission requirements. Students declining acceptance into the program for the semester offered must resubmit a performance-based Health Sciences application and meet the current admission requirements.
5. **Background check** – Students are required to submit a background check when directed by notification from Enrollment Services.

### Program Requirements

- Maintain at least a grade of C in PHLE I and II.
- Maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or greater.
- Program faculty reserve the right to require withdrawal of any student from the program or to refuse reinstatement based on the student's academic, clinical or professional performance.
- ENGL 1300 may not be substituted for ENGL 1010.

**RECOMMENDED COURSE SEQUENCE**

- First semester: ENGL 1010; PHLE 1010; MLTC 1960; MEDL 2400
- Second semester: PHLE 1020; MLTC 1170; RESP 2140

**Certificate Requirements**

<b>COURSE NO.</b>	<b>COURSE TITLE</b>	<b>COURSE NOTES</b>	<b>CREDITS</b>
ENGL 1010	Composition I		3
PHLE 1010	Phlebotomy I		6
MLTC 1960	Clinical Laboratory Information Systems		1
MEDL 2400	ICD-CM Medical Insurance Coding		2
PHLE 1020	Phlebotomy II	Students must be available to train weekdays (eight hours per day, five days per week) for four consecutive weeks.	6
MLTC 1170	Quality Assurance for Point of Care Laboratory Testing		1
RESP 2140	Basics of Electrocardiography		1
Total Certificate Requirements Credits			20
<b>Total Program Credits</b>			<b>20</b>