Ophthalmic Medical Technology Advising Guide

Portland Community College Cascade Campus – Allied Health

- Applications for the FALL 2023 program will be accepted April 17 June 16, 2023.
- See https://www.pcc.edu/programs/ophthalmic/ for program and application information

For additional information contact Admissions: Amanda Gallo 971-722-5667 or healthca@pcc.edu

Prerequisite courses - Must be completed with a 'C' or 'P' or better by close of application period

- □ WR 121 English Composition
- MP 111 Medical Terminology
- MTH 58 or MTH 65 Math Literacy 1 or Introductory Algebra – 2nd term(Contact admissions if you have questions about which to take)
- ☐ BI 121 & 122 Intro to Human Anatomy & Physiology I & II (or BI 231 233 or BI 120 see an advisor)
- ☐ MP 135 Pharmacology Allied Health

Additional Program Requirements you can take prior to Admission — Do not take for P/NP

- PSY 101 Psychology and Human Relations (or any PSY class; see admissions)
- Arts and Letters General Education see admission advisor or GRAD Plan for options
- ☐ Do you need an additional Gen Ed class?*

*If you choose BI 120 you need a class from these categories. (See advisor or GRAD Plan for options)

Mission Statement

The Allied Health Admission Office supports equitable student opportunity and success through a holistic admission review process rooted in assessing applicants' academic promise and accomplishment within the context of their personal and professional experience.

Point System for Admission to the Ophthalmic Medical Technology program

For each of the below questions, response quality is an important factor in evaluating applicant materials. Responses are assessed on how well they answer all aspects of the question, the clarity of the response, and general writing ability displayed. PCC has resources to help with developing and writing quality responses.

QUESTION #1: Program Success Attributes (200 – 400 words)	25 points max
Communication, Empathy and Teamwork are important attributes for success in the OMT program. Choose <u>ONE</u> attribute from these that you think is one of your strengths and explain why you consider it a strength and how you believe this will help you to be successful in the program. Provide at least one example to support your response. <u>Things to consider:</u> What past experience(s) (work, home life, volunteer, other) really shows how the attribute is a strength of yours? Did the strength develop over time or did you come to important realizations along the way? How do you think this attribute will help you to succeed in the program and/or career?	Content: up to 20- pts Writing: up to 5 pts

QUESTION #2: Experience (200 – 400 words)	25 points max
Please describe your experience related to healthcare and how this experience led you to apply to this program. Things to consider: experience can include paid or volunteer work, community service, caring for a friend or family member, military experience, a personal experience that shaped your views on healthcare, or another experience that helps us understand your background as it relates to this discipline.	Content: up to 20 pts Writing: up to 5 pts

What is needed to apply to the program

- Apply to Portland Community College
- □ Complete all prerequisite coursework with a "C" or "P" or better by the end of Summer Term.
 - You may apply if you are enrolled in prerequisites by the end of Summer Term, but your application will not be considered complete until all prerequisite course grades are recorded and completion is established.
 - If your prerequisites are being completed at a school other than PCC, you are responsible for getting a new transcript sent for review within a week of the grade being posted.
- ☐ Complete the Ophthalmic Medical Technology program application.
- Obtain unofficial transcripts from previous schools. Official Transcripts are required upon acceptance.
- ☐ Plan in place to pay for school. If applying for federal financial aid (<u>www.fafsa.ed.gov</u>) please note it can take up to three months to receive an award if eligible.
 - For a copy of the Ophthalmic Medical Technology application or for additional information please go the Ophthalmic Medical Technology website http://pcc.edu/programs/ophthalmic or contact Admissions Coordinator Amanda Gallo at healthca@pcc.edu or 971-722-5667