



Medical Assistant

Program

Medical Assistants provide both clinical and administrative services for patients in healthcare settings such as physicians offices, clinics, hospitals, and other healthcare facilities. The Medical Assistant Program at Methodist College is a certificate program that prepares the graduate for certification through a national certification examination.

The Medical Assistant program at Methodist College can be completed in as little as 18 months, on a part-time or full-time basis. Some courses may be offered in the evening and online, making it convenient for individuals who work or have other responsibilities.

In addition, the Medical Assistant curriculum at Methodist College is designed to create a pathway to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Management, or Bachelor of Social Work degree as some courses are transferable. *(Based upon successful completion of the designated courses, and meeting of admission requirements of the baccalaureate degree programs.)*

Admission Requirements

Pathways to Admission

- Option 1: High school cumulative grade point average of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) AND a minimum ACT score of 17 or minimum SAT score of 900/1600
- Option 2: High school cumulative grade point average of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) AND 12 or more earned college credits with a 2.0 cumulative GPA
- Option 3: 30 or more earned college credits with a 2.0 cumulative GPA

Candidates not meeting the above requirements may gain conditional admission:

- Option 1: High school cumulative grade point average of 2.3-2.49 (on a 4.0 scale) AND a minimum ACT

- score if 17 or minimum SAT score of 900/1600
- Option 2: High school cumulative grade point average of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) AND a minimum ACT score of 16 or minimum SAT score of 890/1600
- Option 3: High school cumulative grade point average of 2.3-2.49 (on a 4.0 scale) AND 12 or more earned college credits with a 2.0 cumulative GPA

Tuition

The tuition for this 46-credit-hour program is approximately \$15,000 (does not include books and fees). Methodist College accepts transfer credits subject to approval. Methodist College works with employers who offer tuition reimbursement.

Financial Assistance

Financial assistance is available for those who qualify. Visit www.methodistcol.edu/financial-aid for more information.

Admissions

Please contact the Office of Admissions at admissions@methodistcol.edu for additional information on admission requirements. Call 309.672.5513.

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Medical Assistant Program Curriculum

The Medical Assistant program is a pathway to baccalaureate programs including the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN), the Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Management, or the Bachelor of Social Work (BSW). If students choose to pursue a baccalaureate degree, some credits can transfer from the Medical Assistant program such as: BIO205, BIO206, ENG101, PSY101, ACT101/MAT101, HS200, and BH200. Please review the curriculum of the specific baccalaureate degree program to determine what courses in the Medical Assisting program can transfer.

Required courses for the Medical Assistant program include:

HS160 Medical Terminology

BIO111 or **BIO205 Anatomy & Physiology I***

BIO112 or **BIO206 Anatomy & Physiology II***

ACT101 Financial Accounting and Health Care or **MAT101 Concepts of Math***

PSY101 Psychological Inquiry & Applications*

ENG101 College Composition*

HS200 Introduction to Informatics for Healthcare Professionals*

BH200 Holistic Healthcare*

MA110 Foundations of Medical Assisting

MA121 The Medical Assistant as a Professional

MA150 Foundations of Clinical and Lab Procedures in Medical Assisting I

MA190 Foundations of Clinical and Lab Procedures in Medical Assisting II

MA200 Administrative Medical Assisting

MA210 Procedural and Diagnostic Coding and Reimbursement in Medical Assisting

MA240 Medical Assisting Practicum

*Courses in **bold** require a final grade of C or higher to earn credit in the Nursing program. BIO205 and BIO206 are the required Anatomy and Physiology pathway for students who plan on pursuing a BSN subsequent to the completion of their Medical Assistant certificate.

The Medical Assistant Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (www.caahep.org) upon the recommendation of Medical Assisting Education Review Board (MAERB).

For More Information, Contact:
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