

Professional Certificate Programs in Health Care



Jumpstart Your Health Care Career in as Little as Two Months

Health care occupations are projected to grow 18 percent through 2026, much faster than the average for all occupations, thanks to advances in medicine, an aging population, and increased access to health insurance. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, this translates to about 2.4 million new jobs. Our classroom-based programs can help you embark on a new career or advance your current health care career.

Each Program Features:

- Skill-based, fast-paced, and hands-on learning
- Preparation for state certification exams
- Workforce Partnership and MyCAA Scholarship approval

Our Instructors Are Working Professionals

We bring actual field experience to the classroom; our instructors are all working professionals with a passion for teaching.

Schedule

Courses are scheduled year-round for compatibility with work commitments. See details at neverstoplearning.net/healthcare. Classes are held at SDSU's Extended Studies/Gateway Center, with free and ample parking.

For more information, email healthcare.ces@sdsu.edu or call (619) 594-0845.

SDSU Research Foundation Program

Choose from Three In-Demand Careers

Clinical Medical Assistant (20 weeks)

Learn how to assist physicians in medical offices. Topics include phlebotomy, EKG, pharmacology, professional behavior, ethics, and the legal aspects of health care. This program includes 140 hours of classroom lecture and hands-on labs, and a 160-hour externship for students who qualify.

EKG Technician Certification (8 weeks)

Learn medical terminology as it relates to electrocardiography, how to prepare patients, how to interpret EKG monitoring, equipment operation/troubleshooting, and 12-lead placements. The course prepares students to sit for the American Society of Phlebotomy Technician (ASPT) Electrocardiograph Technician exam.

Pharmacy Technician Training and Test Prep (9 weeks)

Prepare to work as a pharmacy technician in a retail pharmacy or other pharmacy setting. The course comes with an optional 80-hour clinical externship for students who qualify. The last two sessions focus solely on reviewing the new PTCE exam study guide and practice test.