

# MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNICIAN

**Program Number:** 10-513-1

Associate of Applied Science Degree

**Campus:** Fond du Lac

This program is eligible for financial aid (<http://www.morainepark.edu/financial-aid/>)

Full-Time Enrollment Only

Earn a Medical Laboratory Technician (MLT) associate degree at Moraine Park and start your career as a MLT in less than two years.

## About the Program

Moraine Park's Medical Laboratory Technician program prepares students for entry-level laboratory work performing tests on tissue, blood and other body fluids to help doctors diagnose illnesses, make medical decisions and plan treatment options.

In the Medical Lab Technician program, students gain hands-on experience performing routine clinical lab tests, such as hematology (blood tests), clinical chemistry (often used to determine a patient's general health), microbiology (used to identify infections), coagulation, molecular and other diagnostic techniques.

The program is accredited by:

National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS)  
5600 N. River Rd., Suite 720  
Rosemont, IL 60018  
Phone: 773-714-8880

Upon graduation, students are eligible to sit for the National Board of Certification Exam through the ASCP.

## What You'll Learn

Through a combination of hands-on coursework and a clinical site placement, medical lab technician students learn laboratory safety, practice collecting and processing biological specimens, monitor and evaluate quality control in the laboratory, correlate lab tests to a diagnosis of a condition or disease and more.

## Transfer Opportunities

Your academic journey can continue at a four-year college or university. Earn your associate degree at Moraine Park and then apply those credits toward a bachelor's degree. Starting at MPTC makes completing a bachelor's degree **affordable**, **accessible** and **convenient**. You can go anywhere as MPTC has transfer agreements with colleges and universities both in Wisconsin and throughout the country.

Visit the Transfer to a Four-Year College (<https://www.morainepark.edu/transfer-to-a-four-year-college/>) page for more information on credit transfer agreements between Moraine Park and four-year colleges, both public and private.

## Additional Information

**State Licensure Disclosure:** Moraine Park Technical College offers programs designed to meet the educational requirements leading to licensure or certification that may be required for employment in certain professions. See Professional Licensure and Certification

Disclosure (<https://catalog.morainepark.edu/professional-licensure-and-certification-disclosure/>) for more details.

Certifying Organization: American Society for Clinical Pathology (<https://www.ascp.org/>)

## Mission Statement of the Medical Lab Technician Program

The mission of the Medical Laboratory Technician Program at Moraine Park Technical College is to provide the medical community with entry-level medical laboratory technicians competent to perform clinical laboratory analysis. Consistent with the institutional vision and mission statement, the program is committed to the development of the student's educational and professional growth. The program integrates both general and technical education to ensure that graduates can meet the multiple demands of rapidly changing technology in the medical field.

## Program Effectiveness Data

In addition to the goals and student learning outcomes listed elsewhere on this site, the performance of the program is reflected through program effectiveness data as defined by the National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences, (NAACLS), <http://www.naacls.org>. Program effectiveness data includes program graduation rate, certification rate, job placement rate and attrition rate. Additional questions about the program effectiveness data should be directed to the Program Director. The Medical Laboratory Technician program's annual report to NAACLS reflected the following:

### Medical Laboratory Technician Graduation Rate

This is the percent of students that began the program's third term and were eligible to complete the program in the fourth term resulting in graduation from the program.

### Medical Laboratory Technician Certification Rate

This is the percent of students that took the American Society for Clinical Pathologist's National Board of Certification Exam and successfully passed the exam within one year of graduation.

### Medical Laboratory Technician Job Placement Rate

This is the percent of students that gain employment in the laboratory sciences within six months of graduation as published in the Graduate Follow-Up Report. (<http://web.morainepark.edu/flipbooks/graduate-outcomes/2018-2019/mobile/#p=1>) The College annually conducts a survey with graduates six months after they graduate to better understand their employment status and satisfaction with their Moraine Park education. The data from the survey is compiled into the Graduate Follow-Up Report, which is solely based on confidential surveys completed by Moraine Park graduates.

### Medical Laboratory Technician Attrition Rate

This is the percent of students that began the program's third term and were eligible to complete the program in the fourth term but did not complete the program.

### Moraine Park Medical Laboratory Technician Results 2022

Graduation rate: 100%

Certification rate: 100%

Job Placement rate: 80%

Attrition rate: 0%

### 2023

Graduation rate: 100%

Certification rate: 100%

Moraine Park Technical College is an equal opportunity and affirmative action College. Women, minorities, those with different abilities and veterans are encouraged to apply. For more information, visit <http://www.morainepark.edu/nondiscrimination>.

Behavioral Science Course ( <a href="https://catalog.morainepark.edu/academic-programming/general-education/behavioral-social-science/">https://catalog.morainepark.edu/academic-programming/general-education/behavioral-social-science/</a> )	3
<b>Credits</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>67</b>

## Program Outcomes

- Practice laboratory safety and regulatory compliance.
- Collect and process biological specimens.
- Monitor and evaluate quality control in the laboratory.
- Apply modern clinical methodologies including problem solving and troubleshooting according to predetermined criteria.
- Correlate laboratory results to diagnosis of clinical conditions and/or diseases.
- Perform information processing in the clinical laboratory.
- Model professional behaviors, ethics and appearance.

## Pathways

- Medical Laboratory Technician Associate Degree (p. 1)
  - Phlebotomist/Specimen Processor Technical Diploma (<https://catalog.morainepark.edu/programs/phlebotomist-specimen-processor/>)

Earn a technical diploma and associate degree along this pathway. Start with some courses for entry-level employment, and continue with additional courses for higher wages and job advancement.

## Career Opportunities

- Graduates may find employment as a Medical Laboratory Technician in hospitals, clinics, doctor's offices, state and federal labs, and private/commercial laboratories. Opportunities also exist in commercial industries, medical supply companies, scientific research and infection control.

## Statewide Median Salary for Recent Graduates

\$50,000