Revised Phlebotomy Program Description

The goals of South Central College's (SCC) hybrid Phlebotomy Program are to provide academic education for individuals to acquire the knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary for becoming a specialist in obtaining blood specimens by venipuncture, arterial, and microtechniques, for the purpose of laboratory analysis. A phlebotomist must have knowledge of the healthcare system, the anatomy and physiology related to laboratory testing and phlebotomy, the collection and transport requirements for tests performed in all areas of the laboratory, documentation and patient records, and interpersonal skills needed to provide quality patient care. (Hybrid courses have significant reduced seat time, amounting to at least 30% of the course time. As a result, there is considerable work online. The in-class time could be minimal or fairly significant, but online instruction plays an important role in these courses. For example, technical program courses in the Phlebotomy Program have all lecture-related material online with the student laboratory sessions constituting the only seat time.)

Upon successful completion of the program, and after completion of one year fulltime acceptable work experience as a phlebotomy technician in an accredited laboratory, graduates are eligible to take the American Society of Clinical Pathology (ASCP) Phlebotomy Technician National Registry Examination administered by the Board of Certification (BOC). Fulltime experience is considered thirty-five hours per week, and must include venipuncture and microtechniques.