



Lakeland Community College Phlebotomy Certificate Program – Advising Guide (2026-2027)

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Program Overview

The Phlebotomy Certificate Program is designed to prepare students with the knowledge and hands-on skills needed to draw blood specimens for medical testing, transfusions, or donation. Upon completion, students receive a Lakeland Certificate of Completion and are eligible to sit for the AMT Registered Phlebotomy Technician exam.

Program Length & Format

- **Full-Time Completion:** 2 semesters – 10 months
- **Part-Time Completion:** approximately 4-5 semesters
- **Delivery:** In Person
- **Clinical Practicum:** Students will complete 160 hours of supervised, hands-on experience. These hours may take place at an approved off-campus healthcare site *and/or* through structured in-lab simulation designed to provide equivalent clinical skills practice.

Eligibility & Co-Requisite Courses

The following courses must be taken before or alongside the Phlebotomy courses:

- **HLTH 1215** – Medical Terminology
- **HLTH 1238** – Human Body Structure & Function
- **HLTH 1400** – Customer Service in Healthcare
- **HLTH 1150** – Electronic Health Records

Students may take HLTH courses listed above in the semester prior to or concurrently with the HLTH Phlebotomy courses- HLTH1300, 1305 & 1310.

Phlebotomy Core Courses –

- **HLTH 1300** – Introduction to Phlebotomy (2 credits)
- **HLTH 1305** – Phlebotomy Clinical Practicum (1 credit)
- **HLTH 1310** – Phlebotomy Skills Lab (1 credit)

Estimated Program Costs – Phlebotomy (2026-2027)

By Residency Status (Tuition Only)

- Lake County Residents (In-County): ~\$2,204
 - Out-of-County: ~\$4,907
 - Out-of-State: ~\$10,603
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Cost Breakdown

Tuition

- Based on 2025–2026 rates (see residency totals above)

Fees

- Lab & Course Fees: ~\$33
- Application Fee: \$55
 - *May be covered by financial aid with completion of the Title IV Authorization Form (available on Lakeland's website).*

Textbooks

- Phlebotomy Textbooks: ~\$116
- HLTH Course Textbooks: ~\$215 total (HLTH 1215, HLTH 1238, HLTH 1400, HLTH 1150)

Other Costs

- Background Check & Drug Test: \$116.71
 - Certification Exam (AMT or equivalent): ~\$125–\$150
 - *Scholarships may be available to cover partial exam costs (pending approval).*
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Program Supplies

Item	Required or Recommended	Estimated Cost	Notes
Scrubs (2 sets: top & bottom)	Required	\$60–\$70	Worn for all lab and clinical activities.

Financial Support

Scholarships and financial aid are available to help cover tuition, textbooks, supplies, and certification exam costs. Students are encouraged to apply early.

Clinical/Practicum Experience: 160 hours

Students are required to complete 160 hours of supervised, hands-on training. These hours may be fulfilled at an approved off-campus clinical site *and/or* through structured in-lab simulation designed to provide equivalent skill development and real-world practice.

Certification Eligibility

- Students who successfully complete the program are eligible to sit for the AMT Registered Phlebotomy Technician exam.
 - National certification enhances job prospects and employability
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Career Outlook

- **Job Titles:** Phlebotomist, Lab Assistant, Patient Care Technician (with additional skills)
 - Medical Assisting + Phlebotomy + STNA= Patient Care Technician
 - **Work Settings:** Hospitals, outpatient labs, physician offices, blood donation centers
 - **Job Outlook:** Strong demand due to increased diagnostic testing and aging population
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Upcoming Start Dates

- **Phlebotomy:** Accepts new students in Fall, Spring and Summer (subject to enrollment)

- **Tip:** Enroll early in HLTH 1215 and HLTH 1238 to be ready for the next Phlebotomy start
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Ready to Apply?

- Complete the Lakeland Community College application
- Indicate "Phlebotomy Certificate" (3601) as your program of interest
- Follow up with the Program Director for next steps
 - Complete and submit program application

Admission Requirements

- Lakeland application and declared Phlebotomy (3601) as major
 - Minimum 2.0 GPA
 - Complete and submit signed program application after meeting with program director and counselor
 - High school students may apply through CCP
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Ready to Take the Next Step?

- Contact the program director to schedule a meeting
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