

Pharmacy Technician

Thank you for your interest in the Pharmacy Technician program. We are proud of our program and our graduates who are well thought of in the profession. To assist you in understanding the selection process, please carefully review the following information:

Admission Requirements:

- Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD), or equivalent, including the following required courses:
 - English – any Grade 12 (C) or (U), or equivalent
 - Math – any Grade 12 (C) or (U), or equivalent
 - Biology – Grade 11 (C) or (U) or Grade 12 (U) **AND**
 - Chemistry – Grade 11 (U) or Grade 12 (C) or (U)

English Language Proficiency Requirements:

- Applicants that were educated outside of Canada or the United States are required to meet the specific Language Proficiency Requirements for Licensure as a Pharmacy Technician in Canada as outlined by the National Association of Pharmacy Regulatory Authorities (NAPRA2009).
- These requirements are as follows:
 - IELTS - Overall Band 6.5; no individual band under 6.0 *or*
 - TOEFL Internet-based test (iBT) - Minimum Score of 91 *or*
 - MELAB - Minimum Score 81
 - CanTEST – Speaking, Reading and Listening at 4.5 and Writing at 4.0
 Test results must be current (dated within 2 years of the start date of the Pharmacy Technician program)
- Applicants must submit proof of English Language Proficiency Requirements being met to international@niagaracollege.ca before the first day of classes in September.

Required Documentation:

| Item | Submit To | Due Date |
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| Official Transcript(s) | Submit scanned transcript(s) by email to: international@niagaracollege.ca | Please reference the table below for submission deadlines |
| Proof of English Language Proficiency Requirements (if required) | international@niagaracollege.ca | Before the first day of classes in September |

Application Deadlines:

| Start Date | Equal Consideration Deadlines for Competitive Programs | |
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| | Application and Transcript / Test Result Submission Due Date | Decisions Released |
| September 2023 | February 1, 2023 | March 2023 |
| Applications received after the term deadlines will be considered on a first come, first served basis, provided requirements have been met. | | |

Selection Criteria, if ranking is required:

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| <p>Final Grades in Required Courses - Mid-term grades are not used for ranking and selection in competitive programs. For further information regarding this please visit niagaracollege.ca/admissions</p> |
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Please note:

This program has important additional requirements that are required for placement purposes. Information about Communicable Disease Surveillance (CDS), First Aid and CPR, and Criminal Reference Checks (CRC) can be found at www.niagaracollege.ca/pt. **These requirements are necessary for your placement, not admission.** However, if program requirements are not met you may be unable to participate in your placement, which may impact your ability to complete this program.

In addition to the admission requirements, all applicants to the Pharmacy Technician program who present international credentials must provide proof of English language proficiency as per the benchmarks listed below.

****Please note that this is a higher standard than most other programs at Niagara College.**

| | TOEFL iBT | IELTS | CanTest | MELAB |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | Min Score | Min Score | Min Score | Min Score |
| Writing | 25 | 6 | 4.0 | 80 |
| Speaking | 23 | 6 | 4.5 | 3+ |
| Listening | 21 | 6 | 4.5 | 80 |
| Reading | 22 | 6 | 4.5 | 83 |
| TOTAL | 91 | 6.5 | | 81 |

Should you have any questions regarding the admissions process, please contact our International Admissions Office at 905-988-2910 or international@niagaracollege.ca.