

PENSACOLA STATE COLLEGE Phlebotomy Technician Program — EXCELLENCE IN ACTION

This intense 16-week certification program prepares students to become a Phlebotomist. Students complete coursework and receive training in all aspects of phlebotomy, including an Introduction to Healthcare, professionalism as a healthcare worker, handling phlebotomy equipment, collection procedures, special collections, point of care testing (POCT), infection control, safety, and an overview of the cardiovascular system. Students are trained to perform venipunctures in the classroom. This hands-on opportunity prepares students to perform venipunctures on live patients at medical facilities during the laboratory component program. This program is accredited by Southern Association of *Colleges* and Schools (SACS).

Naming Opportunities

Significant gifts to the college provide opportunities for donors to designate the name of a college facility or program in honor of the donor or another person. Scholarships, endowed chairs, lecture series, and faculty and staff awards programs are among the named gift opportunities, as are buildings or portions of buildings, including laboratories and conference rooms. Naming opportunities range from \$10,000 to \$5,000,000 and are offered in recognition of a single, tax-deductible,

WARRINGTON CAMPUS		
Bldg. 3100 Boyd Health Related Education Building	NAMED	
Phlebotomy Lab	\$100,000	
Computer Center	\$50,000	
Classrooms	\$25,000	
Library Study Room	\$20,000	

irrevocable gift or written pledge made over a specified period of time.

"At CHNWF we look to hire extraordinary clinicians, those individuals who not only are skilled in their jobs but embrace and reflect the mission of CHNWF which is to provide quality health care to individuals regardless of race, religion, gender, sexual orientation or ability to pay. Pensacola State College prepares those students seeking a career in the healthcare industry by ensuring they have a solid foundation upon which they can build a career caring for others."

Workforce Community Partners include:	
Ascension/Sacred Heart Hospital	
Baptist Hospital	
Naval Hospital	
West Florida Hospital	

Chandra Smiley, MSW, Chief Executive Officer, Community Health Northwest Florida

The Phlebotomy Technician program trains students in the basic and supporting skills needed to become a phlebotomist. Skills include: specimen collection by venipuncture and capillary puncture, basic anatomy and physiology, infection control, safety, and patient relations.

This program meets the requirements for taking the Phlebotomist National Certification Exam through the National Health Career Association (NHA) and the America Society of Clinical Pathology (ASCP).

Graduates from the Phlebotomy program support the health industry in hospitals, nursing and convalescent homes, blood centers, and offices and clinics of physicians.

Because our partners are aware of the standard of excellence provided by our Phlebotomy students, they are excited to work with them. Most of our Phlebotomy students are usually hired by a medical facility by the time they have completed second week of clinic.

YOU CAN HELP

Because this is a 16 week program, Phlebotomy students are **not** eligible for PELL grants, so most Phlebotomy students pay out of pocket, which can be challenging. Historically, the majority of PSC Phlebotomy students are non-traditional students who struggle to meet the financial responsibilities of enrollment in the program. Many are not able to work and those who are able to work still struggle to balance home, work and school responsibilities. Scholarships created for the purpose of helping students to pay for enrollment in the program and/or supplement their living expenses while attending school would be most beneficial.

Student Needs	Cost
Updated Point of Care Testing Kits - to enhance student skills in rapid diagnostic testing.	Up to \$550 per student
Tuition, textbooks, lab fees and uniforms	\$1,329.90 per student
Preclinical physical examinations, immunizations, background checks, and drug screenings	\$200-\$400 per student