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New Medical Assistant Job Training Program at El Camino College

El Camino College Community Education department will launch a new medical assistant job training program this fall.

Medical assistant classes begin October 10 and are designed to prepare students to perform all required skills/duties in an ambulatory care or outpatient care facility.

The program features curriculum that includes both front and back office training, in addition to 160 hours of externship. The 30-week classroom course will be divided into six modules; each module is five weeks, with 240 total hours of lecture and lab skills.

Students who complete the program successfully will be awarded a certificate of completion and will be qualified to apply to the California Certifying Board of Medical Assistants for certification. Certification increases opportunities for employment.

According to [Career Coach](#), El Camino College's online resource designed to help students find a good career by providing the most current local data on wages, employment, job postings, and associated education and training, the need for medical assistants will continue to grow. Medical assistants can earn about \$32,236 per year, or \$15.50 per hour. New employees generally start at around \$21,700, while highly experienced workers can earn as much as \$46,000.

All interested individuals from the community who are 18 years of age or older with a high school diploma or GED are invited to enroll. Students may register and pay per course or purchase the entire six-part series plus externship/apprenticeship at the discounted rate of \$3,999, which includes textbook and clinical supplies.

For more information about the El Camino College Community Education department's medical assistant program or to register, visit www.ECCommunityEd.com or call 310-660-6460.

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