



## ALTIERUS CAREER COLLEGE PROGRAM GUIDE

### ALLIED HEALTH

- Surgical Technology
- Nursing
- Dental Assistant
- Medical Assistant
- Medical Billing & Coding
- Pharmacy Technician
- Massage Therapy

### TRADES

- Electrical Construction Technician
- Industrial Electrical Technician
- HVAC Technician
- Refrigeration Technician

## THE ALTIERUS DIFFERENCE

In addition to receiving hands-on training in modern and fully equipped learning environments, students benefit from so much more: integrated professional skills development, access to certification prep and testing, experience with technology they'll see in the workplace, and support from our caring community. We call it all-inclusive training.

## ADVANCING STUDENT OUTCOMES

As a non-profit organization, our mission is to continuously improve student success. Through a community of support, we aim to foster professional development that empowers students throughout their career.

### Altierus graduation rate vs. 2-year community colleges

2-Year Community Colleges **32%**

Within 3 years (national average)\*

Altierus Career College **68%**

Based on rates reported to ACCSC in 2019, (average across programs and campuses)

Program length for Altierus programs

**8-24** months

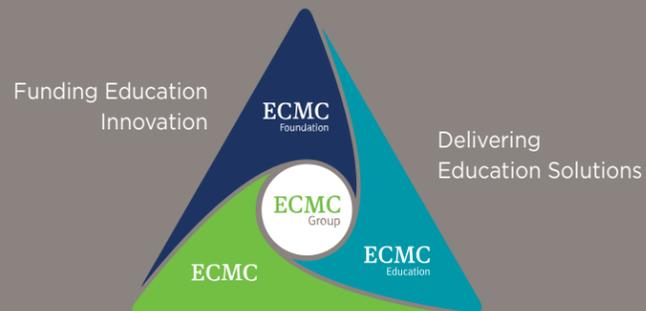
Job placement rate in chosen field

**>75%**

\*[https://nces.ed.gov/programs/coe/indicator\\_ctr.asp](https://nces.ed.gov/programs/coe/indicator_ctr.asp)

## POWERED BY ECMC GROUP

ECMC Group is a non-profit organization whose mission is to help students succeed.



Learn more at [ecmceducation.org](http://ecmceducation.org)

## TRAINING STUDENTS TO THRIVE IN THE WORKPLACE AND BUILD MEANINGFUL CAREERS

At Altierus, we provide a holistic educational experience that puts students first and elevates their learning so they have the skills to grow and adapt in their careers. As soon as students step on campus, they'll be surrounded with wraparound support from the people who want to see them succeed.



### Integrated Professional Skills Development

In addition to technical skills, students gain and demonstrate proficiency in communication, interpersonal skills, self-management, emotional intelligence, and career building competencies.



### Career Pathway Planning

We promote personal development and encourage continuing training so students can grow and advance in their career pathways.



### Hands-On Training + Interactive Modules That Extend Learning

Students gain hands-on training experience in professional learning environments complimented by technology-enabled instruction, such as interactive lectures and online coursework.



### All-Inclusive Training Fully Equips Students for Success

Tuition includes an iPad, professional tools, externship (varies by program), and certification/licensure prep and testing at no extra cost so students are ready to begin their training fully equipped.



### Modern Technology & Tools Promote Workplace Proficiency

Our labs contain equipment and technology students will see and use in the modern workplace, preparing them for success in their careers.



### Student Success Through Community Support

We surround students with wraparound services such as transportation assistance and emergency support throughout their educational journey to help them stay in school and on track.

## RESPONSIBLE FINANCIAL AID OPTIONS AND ADVISING

Altierus is committed to making sure there is a compelling return on investment for our students. With our restructured all-inclusive tuition, available grants and scholarships, and financial aid counseling, our goal is to create a holistic financial plan for students. Also, many of our students qualify for Pell Grants—which could cover all of their tuition.

# MEDICAL DEGREE PROGRAMS

## NURSING

*(Currently available in Tampa only)*

This program focuses on theories and concepts of nursing while developing professional skills, including situational leadership and management principles. A graduate of this nursing program will be able to deliver culturally proficient care while meeting the physical and psychosocial needs of patients.

### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- › 24-month Associate of Science degree program
- › 108 credits
- › 1,000 lecture + lab hours
- › 600 clinical hours
- › Lab equipment includes simulation manikins for scenario-based training to allow students to practice diagnosing health problems, basic assessments, advanced life-support, labor and delivery, and more
- › Local partnerships with established hospitals and clinics

### ADDITIONAL CREDENTIALS

- › This program is approved for state licensure by the Florida State Board of Nursing.
- › Student licensure preparation for the NCLEX-RN exam for registered nurse licensure through the Assessment Technologies Institute® (ATI).

### CAREER PATHWAYS

Employment of registered nurses is projected to grow 12% from 2018 to 2028. Registered nurses can earn between \$50,800 and \$106,530 a year with the median annual wage of \$71,730.\* Once graduated, students have the opportunity with additional education, training, or experience to advance into careers such as: clinical nurse specialist, researcher/associate nurse, clinical nurse facilitator, or a nurse care manager. Some of these jobs may require a bachelor's or a master's degree.

## SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY

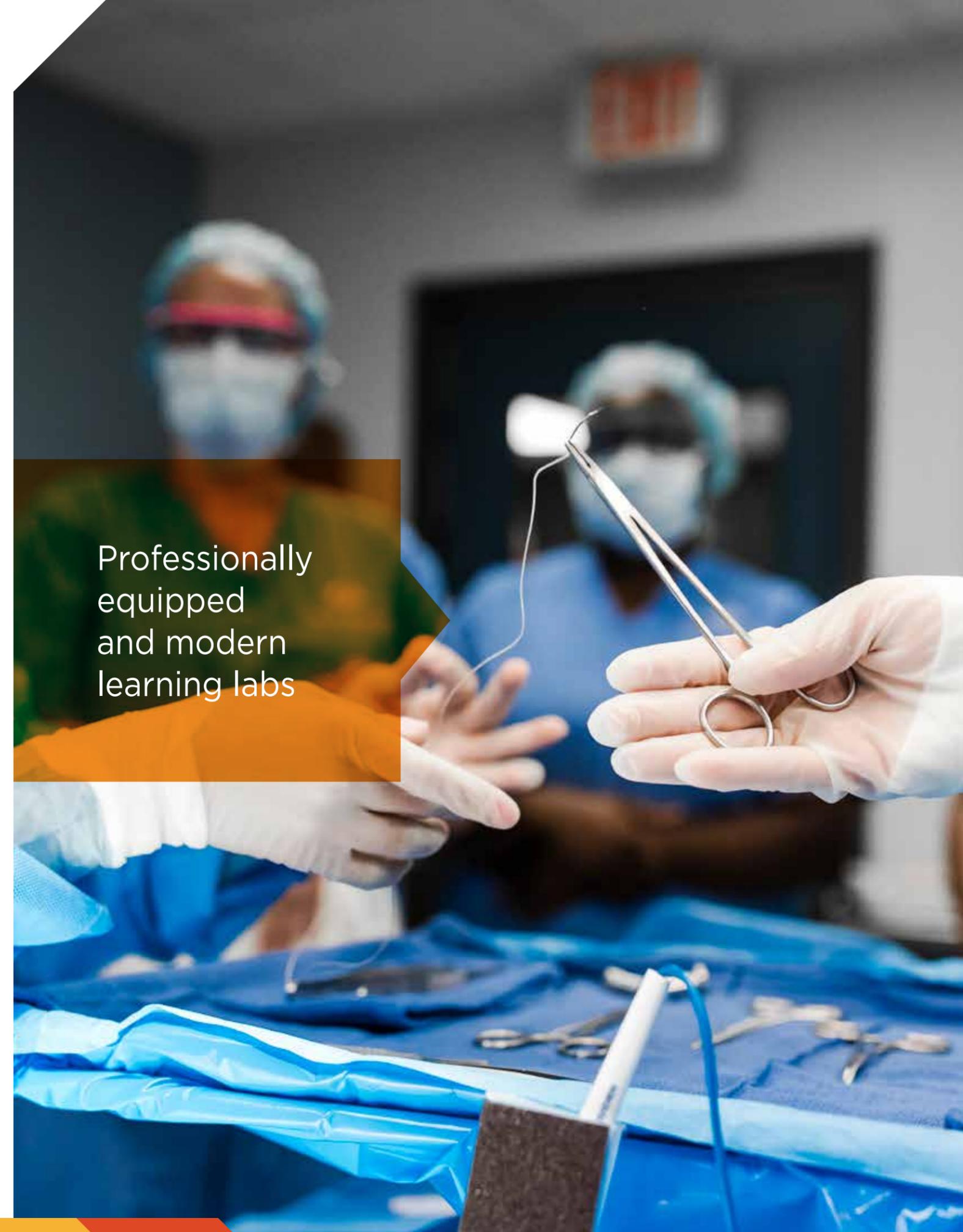
This program prepares students to provide critical support to surgical team members. During the clinical portion of the program, students will complete a minimum of 120 cases of various surgical specialties in the first and second scrub roles while supervised by a clinical preceptor.

### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- › 24-month Associate of Science degree program
- › 98 credits
- › 930 lecture + lab hours
- › 500 clinical hours
- › Local partnerships with established hospitals and clinics
- › Lab equipment includes laparoscopic towers, carotid endarterectomy simulators, operatory and surgical scrub hand washing sinks, specialty surgical instruments, and more
- › Course software includes MindTap digital learning software from Cengage and e-Books

### CAREER PATHWAYS

Employment of surgical technologists is projected to grow 9% from 2018 to 2028. Surgical technologists can earn between \$32,870 and \$69,170 a year with the median annual wage of \$47,300.\*\* Once graduated, students have the opportunity with additional education, training, or experience to advance into careers such as: first assistant, specialist surgical technician, nurse anesthetist, or surgeon. Some of these jobs may require a bachelor's or a master's degree.



Professionally  
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\*Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Registered Nurses, on the Internet at <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/registered-nurses.htm> (visited 12/28/2019).  
\*\*Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Surgical Technologists, on the Internet at <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/surgical-technologists.htm> (visited 12/25/2019).

# MEDICAL DIPLOMA PROGRAMS

## DENTAL ASSISTANT

This program covers preventive dentistry, nutrition, dental health, restorative dentistry, dental sciences, dental radiography, and dental specialties such as endodontics, periodontics, pedodontics, prosthodontics, and oral surgery. Students will prepare for relative credentialing where applicable.

### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- › 9-month diploma program
- › 12 hours on campus + additional online coursework per week
- › 54 credits
- › 640 lecture + lab hours
- › 200 externship hours
- › Course software includes Dentrix Ascend
- › Lab equipment includes digital x-ray machines, autoclaves, dental typodont kit, dental vacuum forming machine, exam tables and rooms set up as a functioning dental clinic

### CAREER PATHWAYS

Employment of dental assistants is projected to grow 11% from 2018 to 2028. Dental assistants can earn between \$26,940 and \$54,800 a year with the median annual wage of \$38,660.\* Once graduated, students have the opportunity with additional education, training, or experience to advance into careers such as: orthodontic assistant, dental hygienist, office manager, or a dental hygiene teacher. Some of these jobs may require an associate or bachelor's degree.

## MASSAGE THERAPY

*(Currently available in Tampa only)*

This program provides students with the knowledge to successfully enter the massage therapy industry. Topics include anatomy and physiology, introduction to principles and practices of massage therapy, massage fundamentals, massage and bodywork, pathology, business, ethics, success skills, and health and wellness.

### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- › 9-month diploma program
- › 12 hours on campus + additional online coursework per week
- › 56 credits
- › 720 lecture + lab hours
- › 60 clinical hours
- › Lab equipment includes fully operational massage clinic that hosts patients and clients from the community
- › Course software includes Massage Prep

### ADDITIONAL CREDENTIALS

Preparation and testing are included so students can become a Licensed Massage Therapist (LMT) through the MBLEX exam and apply to the Florida Board of Massage Therapy for licensure.

### CAREER PATHWAYS

Employment of massage therapists is projected to grow 22% from 2018 to 2028. Massage therapists can earn between \$21,340 and \$78,280 a year with the median annual wage of \$41,420.\*\* Once graduated, students have the opportunity with additional education, training, or experience to advance into careers such as: oncology massage therapist, reflexology massage therapist, office manager, or a business owner.

\*Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Dental Assistants, on the Internet at <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/dental-assistants.htm> (visited 12/13/2019).  
\*\*Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Massage Therapists, on the Internet at <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/massage-therapists.htm> (visited 12/13/2019).

# MEDICAL DIPLOMA PROGRAMS

## MEDICAL ASSISTANT

To help students become successful medical assistants, this program covers the structure and function of major body systems in conjunction with medical terminology, diagnostic and therapeutic procedures, computer skills, administrative processes, bookkeeping and accounting practices, and the processing of medical insurance forms and claims.

### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- › 10-month diploma program
- › 12 hours on campus + additional online coursework per week
- › 60 credits
- › 720 lecture + lab hours
- › 200 externship hours
- › Lab equipment includes professional tools such as cardio diagnostic EKG machines, multipurpose venous training arms, medical professional ophthalmoscopes, and more
- › Course software includes Paradigm's Navigator+, Nearpod interactive learning platform, and Canvas virtual learning system

### ADDITIONAL CREDENTIALS

- › This program is accredited by the Medical Assisting Education Review Board and the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) in Florida, and the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools (ABHES) in Georgia.
- › Student preparation for the following credentialing exams: Registered Medical Assistant (RMA) exam and Certified Clinical Medical Assistant (CCMA) exam.

### CAREER PATHWAYS

Employment of medical assistants is projected to grow 23% from 2018 to 2028. Medical assistants can earn between \$24,790 and \$47,250 a year with the median annual wage of \$33,610.\* Once graduated, students have the opportunity with additional education, training, or experience to advance into careers such as: phlebotomist, medical assistant manager, clinical medical assistant, or administrative medical assistant. Some of these jobs may require an associate or bachelor's degree.

## MEDICAL BILLING & CODING

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to proficiently identify components and use correct medical terminology of body systems, utilize proper ICD-10-CM/CPT/HCPCS coding, and determine the correct application of health insurance forms and documents.

### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- › 8-month diploma program
- › 12 hours on campus + additional online coursework per week
- › 560 lecture + lab hours
- › 48 credits
- › 200 practicum or externship hours
- › Course software includes Perfect Medical Office

### ADDITIONAL CREDENTIALS

Preparation and testing is included for the Certified Professional Coder certification (CPC®) through the American Academy of Professional Coders (AAPC).

### CAREER PATHWAYS

Employment of medical biller and coders is projected to grow 11% from 2018 to 2028. Medical biller and coders can earn between \$26,550 and \$66,260 a year with the median annual wage of \$40,350.\*\* Once graduated, students have the opportunity with additional education, training, or experience to advance into careers such as: certified professional coder, certified professional practice manager, or a registered health information technician. Some of these jobs may require an associate or bachelor's degree.

\*Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Medical Assistants, on the Internet at <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/medical-assistants.htm> (visited 12/13/2019).  
\*\*Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Medical Records and Health Information Technicians, on the Internet at <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/medical-records-and-health-information-technicians.htm> (visited 12/13/2019).

## MEDICAL DIPLOMA PROGRAMS

### PHARMACY TECHNICIAN

This program is built to the guidelines of the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP). It's designed to prepare students to play a major role in pharmacy operations. Students will acquire knowledge in pharmacy calculations, drug distribution systems, and preparation of sterile dosage forms.

#### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

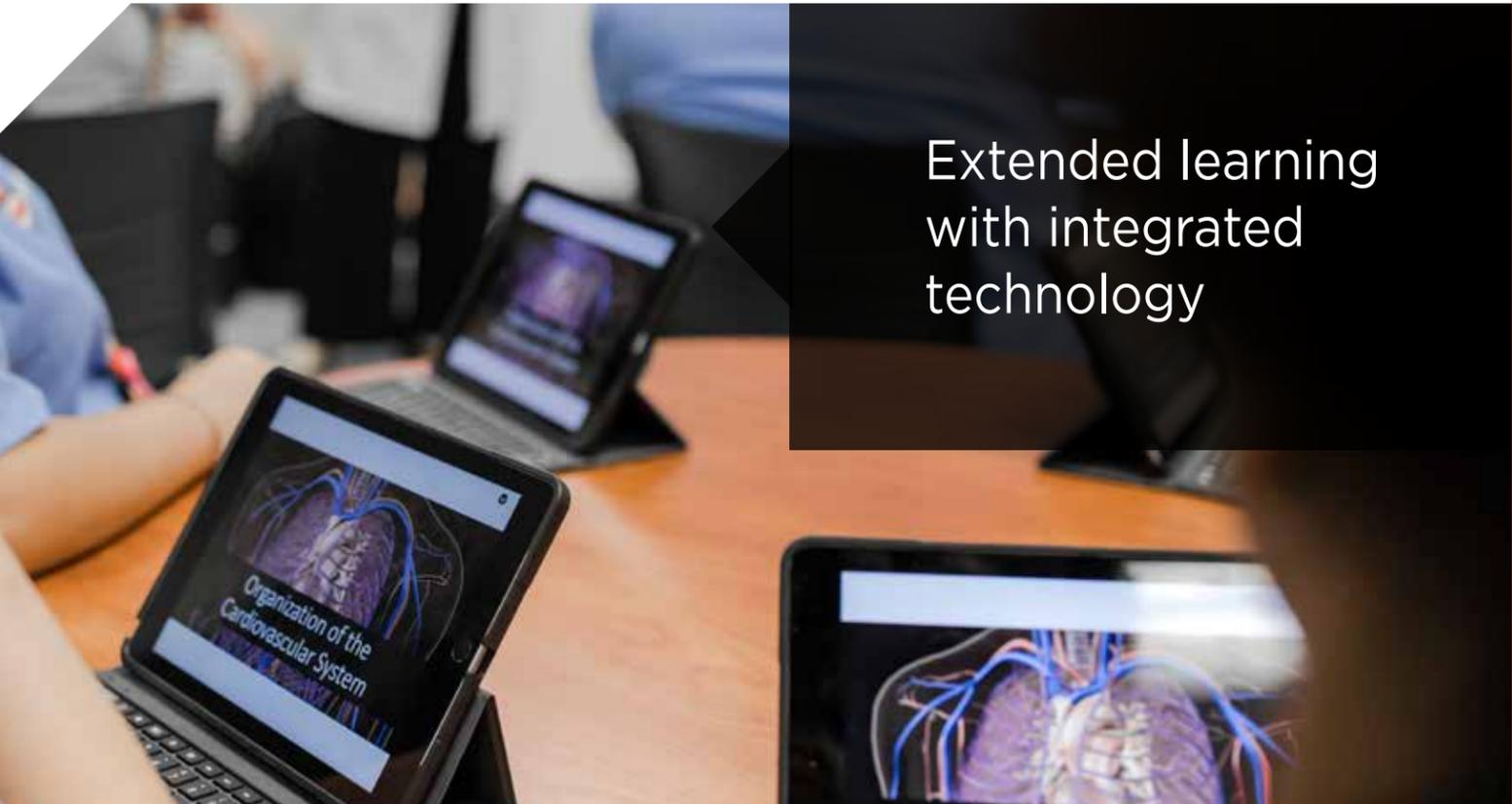
- › 8-month diploma program
- › 12 hours on campus + additional online coursework per week
- › 48 credits
- › 560 lecture + lab hours
- › 200 externship hours
- › Lab equipment includes incubation and sterilization equipment, medication compounding instruments, retail and hospital pharmacy counter and equipment, professional ventilation systems, and more
- › Course software includes Paradigm's Navigator+ and PioneerRX pharmacy computer software

#### ADDITIONAL CREDENTIALS

Student preparation for the Pharmacy Technician Certification exam offered by the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB).

#### CAREER PATHWAYS

Employment of pharmacy technicians is projected to grow 7% from 2018 to 2028. Pharmacy technicians can earn between \$22,740 and \$48,010 a year with the median annual wage of \$32,700.\* Once graduated, students have the opportunity with additional education, training, or experience to advance into careers such as: pharmacy technician II, pharmacy technician III, senior pharmacy technician, lead pharmacy technician, or pharmacy technician supervisor. Some of these jobs may require an associate or bachelor's degree.



Extended learning  
with integrated  
technology

## TRADES DIPLOMA PROGRAMS

### HVAC TECHNICIAN

This program focuses on preparing students for entry-level jobs installing, maintaining, and repairing heating, ventilating, and air-conditioning (HVAC) equipment in residential and commercial buildings.

#### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- › 9-month diploma program
- › 12 hours on campus + additional online coursework per week
- › 55 credits
- › 370 lecture + 350 lab hours
- › Lab equipment includes professional tools such Festo electrical/motor control trainer; Trane, Goodman, and Lennox high-efficiency gas furnaces and heat pumps; Lennox hydraulic boilers; Mitsubishi mini-split systems; and more

#### ADDITIONAL CREDENTIALS

Student preparation for the following credentialing exam: NCCER

#### CAREER PATHWAYS

Employment of HVAC technicians is projected to grow 13% from 2018 to 2028. HVAC technicians can earn between \$29,460 and \$76,230 a year with the median annual wage of \$47,610.\*\* Once graduated, students have the opportunity with additional education, training, or experience to advance into careers such as: project manager, refrigeration technician, instructor, or plant refrigeration systems technician.

### REFRIGERATION TECHNICIAN

This program focuses on preparing students for entry-level employment with mechanical contractors, refrigeration service and installation companies or other businesses that require employees to have specialized training to install, maintain, and or repair commercial refrigeration equipment.

#### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- › 9-month diploma program
- › 12 hours on campus + additional online coursework per week
- › 55 credits
- › 380 lecture + 340 lab hours
- › Lab equipment includes professional tools such Festo electrical/motor control trainer; Trane, Goodman, and Lennox high-efficiency gas furnaces and heat pumps; Lennox hydraulic boilers; Mitsubishi mini-split systems, walk-in coolers and freezers; display coolers and freezers; commercial refrigeration rack system; and more

#### ADDITIONAL CREDENTIALS

Student preparation for the following credentialing exam: NCCER

#### CAREER PATHWAYS

Employment of HVAC technicians is projected to grow 13% from 2018 to 2028. HVAC technicians can earn between \$29,460 and \$76,230 a year with the median annual wage of \$47,610.\*\* Once graduated, students have the opportunity with additional education, training, or experience to advance into careers such as: rack cooler/freezer specialist, plant refrigeration systems technician, or project manager.

\*Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Pharmacy Technicians, on the Internet at <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/pharmacy-technicians.htm> (visited 12/13/2019).

\*\*Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Heating, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Mechanics and Installers, on the Internet at <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/installation-maintenance-and-repair/heating-air-conditioning-and-refrigeration-mechanics-and-installers.htm> (visited 12/13/2019).

# TRADES DIPLOMA PROGRAMS

## INDUSTRIAL ELECTRICAL TECHNICIAN

*(Currently available in Houston and Tampa only)*

This program focuses on preparing students for entry-level jobs installing, maintaining, or modifying electrical systems in industrial applications.

### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- › 9-month diploma program
- › 12 hours on campus + additional online coursework per week
- › 58 credits
- › 460 lecture + 260 lab hours
- › Lab equipment includes professional tools such as Festo electrical/motor control trainer, Greenlee mechanical and hand benders, Greenlee power pullers, Click Micro PLC systems, Amatrol pneumatic/hydraulic trainers, Amatrol process control trainers, and more

### ADDITIONAL CREDENTIALS

Student preparation for the following credentialing exam: NCCER

### CAREER PATHWAYS

Employment of electricians is projected to grow 10% from 2018 to 2028. Electricians can earn between \$32,940 and \$94,620 a year with the median annual wage of \$55,190.\* Once graduated, students have the opportunity with additional education, training, or experience to advance into careers such as: outside lineman, industrial maintenance technician, or high-tension powerline installer/repairer.

## ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION TECHNICIAN

*(Currently available in Houston and Tampa only)*

This program focuses on preparing students for entry-level jobs installing or modifying electrical systems as part of a new construction or renovation of residential, commercial buildings, or similar projects.

### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- › 9-month diploma program
- › 12 hours on campus + additional online coursework per week
- › 58 credits
- › 450 lecture + 270 lab hours
- › Lab equipment includes professional tools such as Festo electrical/motor control trainer, Greenlee mechanical and hand benders, Greenlee power pullers, Click Micro PLC systems, and more

### ADDITIONAL CREDENTIALS

Student preparation for the following credentialing exam: NCCER

### CAREER PATHWAYS

Employment of electricians is projected to grow 10% from 2018 to 2028. Electricians can earn between \$32,940 and \$94,620 a year with the median annual wage of \$55,190.\* Once graduated, students have the opportunity with additional education, training, or experience to advance into careers such as: low-voltage voice/data technician, network infrastructure installer, commercial services technician, or project manager.

\*Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Electricians, on the Internet at <https://www.bls.gov/oo/occupation/electricians.htm> (visited 12/13/2019).

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# NEXT STEPS

## ORGANIZATIONS

If you're interested in learning more or making an impact on student outcomes, here are some ways to get involved:

- › Request a tour of our facilities
- › Refer students for an in-demand career program
- › Hire a student or sponsor an internship program if you are an employer
- › Explore a custom partnership based on your unique needs

Email [partnerships@altierus.edu](mailto:partnerships@altierus.edu) or call one of our campuses at (833) 692-4264.

## FUTURE STUDENTS

If you're considering furthering your education, here's what you can do next to learn more:

- › Visit [altierus.edu](http://altierus.edu)
- › Schedule a campus visit
- › Talk to a representative by phone
- › Follow us on social media

Fill out a 'Request Information' form on our website or call (833) 692-4264.



# ACCSC

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## MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Our career-focused programs prepare students with the professional skills and hands-on training to pursue meaningful careers. These programs are designed to encourage personal development and to foster continuous growth in our students even after they graduate.

## QUICK PROGRAM REFERENCE

Programs	Houston	Atlanta	Tampa
Surgical Technology	•	•	•
Nursing			•
Dental Assistant	•	•	•
Medical Assistant	•	•	•
Medical Billing & Coding	•	•	•
Pharmacy Technician	•	•	•
Massage Therapy			•
Electrical Construction Technician	•		•
Industrial Electrical Technician	•		•
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