INFORMATION SESSION SCHEDULE

Information sessions are designed to introduce you to the health career of your choosing. You’ll meet the program director, learn more about your career pathway, admission requirements and program curriculum, application requirements (prerequisite and support courses), selection criteria, pre-admission exams (if any), program costs, financial aid, and counselor contacts. Attendance at an information session within one year of your application submission is mandatory. Please be sure to sign in at the information session to record your attendance. You are responsible to remember when you attend an information session. Information session attendance is valid for one calendar year from the date of attendance.

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In response to Covid-19 measures being taken by the University of Hawaii System, the Health Sciences and Emergency Medical Services Departments will be offering information sessions in March and April online via Zoom. To join a session, go to the website listed below and enter the requested information to get started.

Zoom user guide for students - http://go.hawaii.edu/s8A

Testing Zoom On Your Device - https://zoom.us/test

Prior to the info session, please install Zoom on your device. Click on https://zoom.us/test and enter the requested information to get started.

For general questions, please contact the Health Careers Counseling Center
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Dental Assisting

- Tuesday, April 14 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.
  https://kapiolani.zoom.us/j/369628197
- Monday, May 18 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.
  Kaula 113

Occupational Therapy Assistant

- Monday, March 23 11:15 - 12:45 p.m.
  https://kapiolani.zoom.us/j/218980127
- Monday, April 20 11:15 - 12:45 p.m.
  https://kapiolani.zoom.us/j/185823231
- Monday, May 18 11:15 - 12:45 p.m.
  Kaula 210

Physical Therapist Assistant

- Wednesday, April 15 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.
  https://kapiolani.zoom.us/j/970491770
- Wednesday, May 20 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.
  Kaula 202

Medical Assisting

- Monday, Mar 16 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.
  https://kapiolani.zoom.us/j/553915051
- Friday, May 1 2:30 - 4:00 p.m.
  Kaula 121

Radiologic Technology

- Thursday, April 2 12:00 - 1:30 p.m.
  https://kapiolani.zoom.us/j/124678838
- Wednesday, May 20 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.
  Kaula 202

Medical Laboratory Technician

- Monday, April 20 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.
  https://kapiolani.zoom.us/j/860081937
- Monday, May 18 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.
  Kaula 114

Medical Laboratory Technician

- Thursday, May 7 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.
  Kaula 209

Elective Practitioner

- Friday, April 3 1:00-2:30 p.m.
  https://kapiolani.zoom.us/j/799345876
- Friday, April 3 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.
  https://kapiolani.zoom.us/j/776345876
- Thursday, May 7 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.
  Kaula 209

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  https://kapiolani.zoom.us/j/713262524
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Mobile Intensive Care Technician

- April 21 (T) 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
  https://kapiolani.zoom.us/j/742493183
- April 22 (W) 2:00-3:30 p.m.
  https://kapiolani.zoom.us/j/207106132

Leaugeay Barnes, Program Director

Community Health Worker

Visit CHW Website for More Info:
https://www.kapiolani.hawaii.edu/academics/programs-of-study/community-health-worker/

Program Websites

- DENT http://www.kapiolani.hawaii.edu/academics/programs-of-study/dental-assisting-program/
- EMT http://www.kapiolani.hawaii.edu/academics/programs-of-study/emergency-medical-technician-program/
- MEDA http://www.kapiolani.hawaii.edu/academics/programs-of-study/medical-assisting-program/
- MLT http://www.kapiolani.hawaii.edu/academics/programs-of-study/medical-laboratory-technician-program/
- OTA http://www.kapiolani.hawaii.edu/academics/programs-of-study/occupational-therapy-assistant-program/
- PTA http://www.kapiolani.hawaii.edu/academics/programs-of-study/physical-therapist-assistant-program/
- RAD http://www.kapiolani.hawaii.edu/academics/programs-of-study/radiologic-technology-program/

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Health Careers Counseling Center

In Advising Hours
Mon & Wed 9:00 - 11:30am
1:00 - 2:00pm
Tues & Thurs 9:00 - 11:30am
1:00 - 2:00pm

No appointment necessary

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Pre-Health Preparation and Application Information

Interested students should attend one or more of the mandatory Information Sessions to learn more about the different Health Sciences and EMS programs and their admission requirements.

Once qualified for a program of interest, applicants must submit a UH System application (if not currently enrolled within the UH System) and a KCC Selective Admission Application for the program of interest by the posted deadline. Students on probation or suspension or having a GPR below 2.0 are not eligible to apply. Priority selection is given to Hawaii State residents; nonresidents will be considered after all qualified residents have been accommodated. A grade of “C” or higher must be maintained in all prerequisites, support courses, and program requirements to continue in the programs.

Dental Assisting (IDENT) Program

Dental Assistants work with dentists during examination and treatment of patients. They prepare patients for various procedures, pass and retrieve instruments and materials, operate the high-volume evacuation system, and implement OSHA-recommended infection control procedures. Dental assistants are often responsible for providing follow-up oral health care information to patients.

Length of Program: The Certificate of Achievement can be completed in one semester.

Average Starting Salary: $12-14/ per hour.

Qualification: ACCUPLACER WritePlacer score of 5 or higher and participation in a scheduled personal advising session.

Application Period: Fall Entry: December 1 – June 30

Selection Process: Students are selected on a BEST QUALIFIED, FIRST ACCEPTED basis. Selection is based on qualifying ACCUPLACER WritePlacer score of 5 or higher and participation in a personal advising session. Interested students who are close to qualifying are highly encouraged to seek advising in the Health Careers Counseling Center as he/she may still be able to apply.

Program Cost Estimate*: Resident: $5,383.00. Non-Resident: $11,375.00

Financial Aid: Currently this program does not qualify for Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA).

Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Program

EMT's provide basic and advanced life support to patients in the pre-hospital emergency care setting. EMT's provide emergency care such as bandaging, splinting, CPR, and other life-saving techniques.

Good communication skills, manual dexterity, excellent judgment, and calmness under stress are very important. Upon successful completion, graduates are eligible to take the National Registry EMT (NREMT) cognitive and skills exams and qualify for a Hawaii's state EMT license. Obtaining the EMT certification will qualify graduates to gain employment in the field. This program is the first step to becoming a paramedic.

Length of Program: The Certificate of Completion can be completed in one semester once the prerequisites have been met.

Average Starting Salary: $18 - $21 per hour.

Prerequisites: ENG 100, HLTH 125, and Accuplacer score of 250+ in the Arithmetic or higher domain or completion of Math 75X or higher within the last two years. Please view the EMT supplemental application for additional application requirements.

Additional General Education and Support Courses: MATH 101, BIOL 130 + 131L (or PHYL 141, 141L + 142L, FAMR 230), an A.S. approved Humanities course. These courses can be taken prior to program entry.

Application Period: Fall Entry: December 1 – June 1

Spring Entry: June 2 – October 1

Selection Process: Students are selected on a BEST QUALIFIED, FIRST ACCEPTED basis. Points are awarded for the following application items (1) GPA of prerequisite coursework, (2) Math placement test score, (3) relevant volunteer/work experience, (4) application documents (traffic abstract, copy of current driver’s license), (5) oral interview. Selection is based on total qualifying scores in rank order from the highest until admission quota is reached.

Program Cost Estimate*: Resident: $4,795.60. Non-Resident: $9,340.00

Financial Aid: This program qualifies for Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA).

Medical Laboratory Technician (MLT) Program

MLTs are associate degree laboratory professionals that perform a wide variety of routine laboratory procedures and work in both public and private clinical and research laboratories. Medical Technologists (MT) and Medical Laboratory Scientists (MLS) are baccalaureate degree laboratory professionals. MLTs perform routine as well as high level complex laboratory training and are tested to assume managerial positions.

Length of Program: Once accepted, the Associates of Science degree can be completed in one year.

Average Starting Salary: $20 per hour.

Prerequisites: ENG 100 (or ESL 100), MATH 103 (or higher), BIOL 130 + 131L, SP 171 or PHYL 141 + 142L, CHEM 161 + 16L, MLT 100.

Additional General Education and Support Courses: CHEM 162 + 16L, MICRO 130, MICRO 161, A.S. approved Humanities course, and A.S. approved Social Science course.

Application Period: Spring Entry: June 1 – September 1

Selection Process: Students are selected on a BEST QUALIFIED, FIRST ACCEPTED basis. Selection is based on total qualifying scores for prerequisite and support coursework grades in rank order from the highest until admission quota is reached.

Program Cost Estimate*: Resident: $9,340.00. Non-Resident: $27,110.00

Financial Aid: This program qualifies for Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA).

Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA) Program

Occupational therapy assistants work under the supervision of a registered and licensed occupational therapist with clients to improve their independence in activities of daily living, including work or play activities as a result of injury, illness, the aging process, developmental delay, poverty, or cultural differences. Occupational therapy assistants work in hospitals, clinics, rehabilitation centers, public and private schools, nursing homes, home care settings and emerging areas of practice. They may be employed as activity coordinators of care for adults or children in settings for adults or children.

Length of Program: The Associates of Science degree can be completed in two years.

Average Starting Salary: $23-50 per hour.

Prerequisites: Minimum 2.75 KCC GPA, ENG 100, MATH 100 or higher, PHYL 141 + 141L, 142 + 142L, HLTH 118, and HLTH 290+200L. Please view the OTA Admission & Advising document for additional application requirements.

Application Period: Fall Entry: April 1 to May 31

Selection Process: Students are selected on a BEST QUALIFIED, FIRST ACCEPTED basis.

Program Cost Estimate*: Resident: $10,181.00. Non-Resident: $22,575.00

Financial Aid: This program qualifies for Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA).

Radiologic Technology (RAD) Program

The Radiologic Technologist (RT) safety uses x-ray equipment to assist the Radiologist in examining patients for broken bones and injury, disease, or malfunction or organs. The RT may work in hospitals and clinics, assisting patients into the correct position, adjusting x-ray equipment to settings, making the required exposures, and processing images. Other responsibilities may include record-keeping, ordering supplies, mixing processing solutions, and maintaining equipment.

Length of Program: Once accepted, the Associates of Science degree can be completed in two years.

Average Starting Salary: $25 per hour.

Prerequisites: ENG 100 (or ESL 100), MATH 135 (or higher), BIOL 130 + 131L (or PHYL 141, 141L + 142L, 142L), HLTH 125.

Additional General Education and Support Courses: an A.S. approved Humanities and Social Science course.

Application Period: Fall Entry: April 1 — May 31

Selection Process: Students are selected on a BEST QUALIFIED, FIRST ACCEPTED basis. Selection is based on total qualifying scores for prerequisite and support courses and the Admission Assessment (AA) scores in rank order from the highest until admission quota is reached.


Financial Aid: This program qualifies for Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA).

Respiratory Care Practitioner (RESP) Program

Respiratory Care Practitioner is a physician-directed health sciences specialty, caring for patients the respiratory systems. Respiratory Care Practitioners work in hospitals, clinics, and nursing homes and also provide home care.

Length of Program: Once accepted, the Associates of Science degree can be completed in two years.

Average Starting Salary: $29 per hour.

Prerequisites: ENG 100, MATH 100 (or higher), HLTH 125 or (HLTH 110), PSY 100 (or FAMR 230), CHEM 100 (or higher), PHYL 141, and HLTH 290+200L. Please view the RESP Admission & Advising document for additional elective course requirements. These elective courses can be taken prior to program entry.

Application Period: Fall Entry: Only April 1 — May 31

Selection Process: Students are selected on a BEST QUALIFIED, FIRST ACCEPTED basis. Points are awarded for the following application items (1) GPA of prerequisite coursework, (2) letters of recommendation, (3) personal essay, (4) career & program counseling session. Selection is based on total qualifying scores in rank order from the highest until admission quota is reached.


Financial Aid: This program qualifies for Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA).

Community Health Worker (CHW) Program

The CHW program prepares students to function as outreach community health workers to link disadvantaged populations with existing health care resources.

Length of Program: One year

Average Starting Salary: $27,040/year.

Prerequisites: None

Application Period: Fall 2021 — Aug 1, Spring 2022 — Dec 1

Selection Process: Best Qualified, First Accept

Program Cost Estimate: Resident: $20,510.00 Non-Resident: $52,200.00

Financial Aid: This program does not qualify for Federal Financial Aid.