**SPRING 2023 INFORMATION SESSION**

**HEALTH CAREERS COUNSELING CENTER**

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 register for an 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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### All information sessions will be held via Zoom.

To join a session, register in advance, by clicking on the Zoom Registration Link for your desired program information session. Select date of the session, provide your first & last name and email address. You will receive a confirmation email with meeting ID and URL to join the Zoom meeting. Registration is required, attendance will be taken during the session as well. This is a mandatory part of the application process. Prior to the info session, install Zoom on your device. Click on [https://zoom.us/test](https://zoom.us/test) and enter the requested information to get started.

**Testing Zoom On Your Device -** [https://zoom.us/test](https://zoom.us/test) ♦ **Zoom user guide for students** - [http://go.hawaii.edu/Nk3](http://go.hawaii.edu/Nk3)

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**Virtual walk-in advising with counselors:** **Russell Kinningham & Lani Suzuki-Seviera**

In-person counseling is currently suspended. Virtual walk-in advising hours are offered on Mondays through Thursdays 9:00am-11:30am and 1:00-3:00pm. Please go to [Express Kiosk for Health Sci & EMS](https://www.star.hawaii.edu/virtual-kiosk/app.jsp#!/kiosk?unit=433), students will be seen on a first-come, first-served basis. Appointments (phone/Zoom) may be scheduled by calling 808-734-9224 and leaving your name, UHID, program of interest, and phone number. Questions/appointment requests can also be emailed to hilhsci@hawaii.edu.

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- EMT Program Information Sessions
- MEDA Program Information Sessions
- M&T Program Information Sessions

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- MICT Program Information Sessions
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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 at KCC 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 once the prerequisites have been met.

Average Starting Salary: $15.18 per hour.
Qualification: ACCUPLACER WritePlacer score of 5 or higher and participation in a scheduled personal advising session.
Application Period: Fall Entry: December 1 – March 1.
Selection Process: Students are selected on a BEST QUALIFIED, FIRST ACCEPTED basis.
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 who perform routine as well as high level complex laboratory testing and are trained to assume managerial positions.

Length of Program: Once accepted, the Associates of Science degree can be completed in sixteen months (one year and one semester).
Average Starting Salary: $20 per hour.
Prerequisites: ENG 100 (or ESL 100), MATH 103 (or higher), BIOL 130 (or BIOL 171 or PHYL 141+142), CHEM 161 (or higher), MLT 100.
Additional General Education and Support Courses: CHEM 162 (or higher), 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 courses and the Admission Assessment (A) scores in rank order from the highest until admission quota is reached.
Financial Aid: This program qualifies for Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA).

Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA) Program

Occupational therapy assistants (OTAs) 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 duties 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 facilities for older adults.

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 103 or higher, PHYL 141+142,142+142L, and HLTH 118. Please view the OTA Admissions & Application 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.
Financial Aid: This program qualifies for Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA).

Radiologic Technology (RAD) Program

The Radiologic Technology (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 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 + 130L (or PHYL 141, 141L, 142, or 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 1.
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 (A) 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 Practitioners is a physician-directed health sciences specialty, caring for patients with disorders of the cardiovasculary and pulmonary systems. Respiratory Care Practitioners work in hospitals, clinical and home settings to help patients breathe.

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 103 (or higher), HLTH 125 (or higher), PHYL 110, PSY 100 (or HDFS 230), CHEM 100 (or higher), PHYL 141, 141L, 142, or 142L, MICR 130 (or MICR 135, MICR 140, and an A.S. approved Humanities course.
Additional General Education and Support Courses: None.
Financial Aid: This program qualifies for Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA).