About this course

A rewarding career supporting hospital pharmacists

During this course you will learn how to support the hospital pharmacist in ensuring patients receive the correct medications and information about how to take their medications safely. This is important because medication errors continue to be the highest number of recorded incidents in healthcare.

Your attention to detail in reading prescriptions and then recording and labelling medications, will contribute to safer medication dispensary administration. By supporting the hospital pharmacist to provide clear and detailed information to patients about their medications you will be helping patients with many different conditions to understand why they have been prescribed certain medications.

You may choose to go on to work as a hospital pharmacy technician or as a technician at a pharmaceutical company, where you may compound medications for critically unwell patients. Your skills and knowledge may also prove highly valuable at your local pharmacy.

Gain these skills

- Knowledge of medications and how work on the body
- How to take medications safely
- Safe work practices and how to maintain sterile environments
- Medication storage procedures
- How to organise your work

Is this course right for me?

I have the following attributes:
- Mathematical proficiency
- Commitment to ethics
- Able to follow instructions
- Able to work carefully, accurately and methodically
- Able to work collegially with a wide variety of professionals in health care settings

Details

Entrance requirements

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Job opportunities

Pharmacy Technician

Other job titles may include:
- Hospital Pharmacy Technician
- Hospital Pharmacy Assistant
- Senior Pharmacy Technician

Please note this list should be used as a guide only as job titles and qualification requirements may vary between organisations.

This qualification reflects the role of skilled pharmacy technicians who work under the supervision of a pharmacist in a hospital or community setting. This may include pharmacies that are located outside of health services but supply medicines and products to hospitals and other health services.

Fees and charges

View our Indicative Fees list

Local full time students

Course fees are made up of two components, tuition fees and resource fees.

Tuition fees are determined by multiplying the course fee rate by the nominal hours, which is the number of hours in which an average student could be expected to complete each unit. They are not the hours of training or instruction.

Resource fees are charges for material that are essential to a course or unit, and are purchased by NMT to be used
by students during the course.

Fees may vary depending on the units you are enrolled in so an approximate amount has been shown. You will be given the exact amount of your fees at enrolment. Part time student fees will vary depending on the number of units you are enrolled in.

Please note, you may also need to buy textbooks or equipment for your course.

**International Students**

Check [TAFE International WA](#) to confirm this course is available to international students. You will pay your tuition fees to TIWA.

*Please note, fees are subject to change.*