

DARTON COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS HEALTH SCIENCES DIVISION

Medical Laboratory Technology Application Packet

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Dear Prospective Student,

Thank you for your interest in the Medical Laboratory Technology Program. Included in this packet is an application for entrance into the Medical Laboratory Technology Program as well as additional information about the program. Program information, an application packet, and an online application for the college are also available from the <u>MLT Program homepage</u>.

Professional Healthcare Program – Admission Criteria

To be considered for admission to the MLT program, all applicants must:

Apply and be fully admitted to Albany State University before the admission date for each semester depending on your selected healthcare programs start date. Application for admission due dates for ASU are as follows: Fall semester – June 1

Spring semester – November 1 Summer semester – April 1

Applicants may apply for admission to ASU using the following link: <u>https://www.asurams.edu/enrollment-management/admissions/how-to-apply.php</u> It is recommended that students apply to the University at least 1 month prior to the application deadline, as admission processes may take up to 4 weeks to complete (including articulation of transfer evaluations).

Students who have <u>previously attended Albany State University and have not been in</u> <u>attendance for a semester or more</u> (excluding Summer) are required to file an application for readmission, by the deadline dates listed above for admission. Students must be eligible to enroll in the same academic department in which they were last registered. Additionally, all students are required to comply with the provisions of the <u>Academic</u> <u>Standing Policy</u>.

The application for readmission to ASU, can be found at the following link: <u>https://www.asurams.edu/enrollment-management/admissions/readmission.php</u>

Electronically submit your FASFA application for Financial Aid before May 1st of each year. Information on completing your FASFA can be found at the following link: <u>https://www.asurams.edu/enrollment-management/financial-aid/index.php</u>

**Please note that the application process for Albany State University and your selected healthcare professional program are <u>two separate processes and applications</u>. Acceptance to ASU, does not guarantee acceptance to the professional healthcare program.

Once the applicant has completed the University application and admission steps listed above, they may begin the professional healthcare program application process, by completing the MLT program application from the <u>MLT Program homepage.</u>



If I can further assist you, please contact me at 229-500-2238 or by email at <u>quontasha.glover@asurams.edu</u>.

Sincerely,

Quontasha Glover

Quontasha Glover, M.Ed. MLS (ASCP)^{CM} MLT Program Director/Asst Professor

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Medical Laboratory Technology program is to provide educational opportunities and related services to qualified students pursuing an entry-level career as a registered Medical Laboratory Technician. Upon successful completion of the program the students will earn an Associate of Science Degree and will be academically eligible for national board examinations. Beneficiaries of the program include the students, the college, the community, the profession, and other health care providers.

Program stability and viability will be ensured through a process of continuous quality assessment and improvement.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Albany State University, accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, is part of the University System of Georgia. The Medical Laboratory Technology Program, initiated in 1974, is part of the Darton College of Health Professions division. The National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (*NAACLS) accredits the program. The first class graduated in 1976 and the program has remained in continuous operation since. The curriculum is based on the Essentials and Guidelines of Accredited Educational Programs for Medical Laboratory Technicians. This career program consists of four semesters of study, with the final semester spent in clinical externship. Each student is assigned to one, or a combination of several, current affiliate(s). One or more accrediting agencies accredit each clinical affiliate. Albany State University awards students who successfully complete the requirements of the MLT program with an Associate of Science Degree. Graduates are eligible to take national board examinations. The Albany State University MLT Program is currently the largest MLT Program in the state of Georgia and offers both traditional classes and a distance learning option.

*The address, phone number and fax number for NAACLS is as follows: National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS) 5600 N. River Road Suite 720 Rosemont, Illinois 60018; PH:(773) 714-8880 ; FAX :(773) 714-8886

Career Associate of Science Degree Program Medical Laboratory Technology

Pre-Program General Education Course Requirements				
The following gener	al education course requirements (totaling 20 credit hours) must be completed prior to program	acceptance:		
Course Number	Course Title	Credit Hours		
ENGL 1101	English Composition I	3		
BIOL 2411K	Human Anatomy & Physiology I	4		
POLS 1101	American Government	3		
COMM 1110	Public Speaking	3		
MATH 1111	College Algebra (or higher-level math)	3		
BIOL 2211K	Introduction to Microbiology (May not be offered online at Albany State University)	4		
Total General Education Credit Hours 20				

After acceptance	into the MLT program, the student will complete the following coursework as noted below:	
Freshman Year		
Fall Semester		
Course Number	Course Title	Credit Hours
MLTS 1160W	Medical Laboratory Technology I	3
MLTS 1160L	Medical Laboratory Technology I (Lab)	1
BIOL 2412K	Human Anatomy & Physiology II	4
CHEM 1211K	Principles of Chemistry I*	4
	Total Semester Hours	12
Spring Semeste	r	
Course Number	Course Title	Credit Hours
MLTS 1161W	Medical Laboratory Technology II	3
MLTS 1161L	Medical Laboratory Technology II (Lab)	1
MLTS 2010W	Medical Laboratory Technology III	2
MLTS 2010L	Medical Laboratory Technology III (Lab)	2
CHEM 1212K	Principles of Chemistry II*	4
	Total Semester Hours	12
Sophomore Yea	r	
Summer Semes	ter	
Course Number	Course Title	Credit Hours
MLTS 2020W	Medical Laboratory Technology IV	3
MLTS 2020L	Medical Laboratory Technology IV (Lab)	1
MLTS 1182	Medical Parasitology, Mycology, Virology	3
Elective	Humanities and Fine Arts Elective ¹	3
	Total Semester Hours	10
Fall Semester		
Course Number	Course Title	Credit Hours
MLTS 2630	Externship**	15
MLTS 2670	Seminars	1
	Total Semester Hours	16
	Total MLT Core Curriculum and General Education Credit Hours	50
	Total Overall Program Credit Hours	70

** Externship must be passed with a grade of "C" or better to graduate. 36 hours per week are required for this course.

¹ Humanities requirement may be met by taking any ONE of the following: ARTS 1100, ENGL 2112, ENGL 2131, ENGL 2111, ENGL 2122, ENGL 2132, MUSC 1100, THEA 1100, ENGL 2141, ENGL 2142

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

The ASCP MLT examination is paid for by an assessed exam fee. Exam payment will be sent by program coordinator during the last semester of the MLT Program. Upon successful completion of the program and graduation with an Associate of Science in Medical Laboratory Technology degree, students can sit for the ASCP MLT exam.

Depending on your enrollment status, you may be required to take ASU 1101, "First Year Experience."

Alternate vs Full Status

All eligible students, who complete the application process are permitted to participate in program courses. On campus students will receive one of two designations. Ten to twelve students will be accepted on the Albany State University - West Campus with "Full Status" and all others will be classified as "Alternate Status." Both groups are allowed to take program courses on campus but only "Full Status" students are guaranteed clinical placement in the fourth semester (Fall). Alternate Status students who complete the program requirements will receive clinical placements after the "Full Status" students as space become available. The Full Status student designations are based on the highest GPA at the time of consideration.

Students wishing to participate fully online must have the support of a hospital willing to affiliate with our program. Affiliation allows student access to the hospital facility, resources and supervision.

Required General Education Courses

Most are available online Transfer credit from an accredited school of a "C" or better is generally accepted.

MLT Professional Courses

Didactic Content Component Hybrid option (online course/traditional lab) Online option

Student Labs

Fall semester student laboratory exercises are offered on campus once per week in 3-hour lab sessions. Spring and summer semester, labs meet more frequently and are usually scheduled on Monday, Tuesday and/or Wednesdays.

Alternative Student Lab Locations

Hospital Affiliate Laboratory (An agreement would have to be established with a facility in your area willing to allow you to perform student lab exercises in their lab facility). This option is usually only available to students with a working relationship with a clinical lab.

Enrollment Requirements

Detailed in the Albany State University Catalog.

Summary:

You must meet Albany State University's enrollment requirements.

You must have a SAT score of 870 or 9 semester hours of related courses at ASU with a GPA of 2.5.

You must complete any learning support requirements prior to enrollment in MLT professional courses. Transfer students must have a GPA of 2.5 or greater or 9 semester hours of related courses at ASU with a GPA

of 2.5.

Students with a degree from an accredited college or university may enroll in individual MLT courses with the program director's permission, provided prerequisites are met.

You must have visual acuity, physical ability and manual dexterity sufficient to perform required procedures and activities of the program. (A health statement from a healthcare provider is required.)

You must maintain a "C" or better in all professional courses.

Program

Students begin the MLT curriculum fall Semester and will complete the program fall semester in December of the next year.

The program is a four semester program (fall, spring, summer and fall) and students are expected to complete the program courses as indicated by the curriculum guide. Failure to complete courses as indicated in the curriculum guide may result in a student's dismissal from the program. Such students may reapply for admission consideration the following year and would be required to retake program courses or demonstrate current course competency by written and/or practical exam.

Students can only repeat a single MLT course in which they are unsuccessful (<"C" grade). Students with two unsuccessful attempts in program courses are ineligible for program readmission. Withdrawing from a MLTS course is considered an unsuccessful attempt. A course grade of "D" or "F" is considered an unsuccessful attempt.

Registration

Contact your advisor to receive instructions for registering for courses. If you do not know who your advisor is, you may contact the Health Sciences Division Office at 229-500-2389 to be assigned to an advisor.

Curriculum Plan

If you are on financial aid, be sure to plan each semester's course work with sufficient credits to meet requirements.

The final fall semester students participate in a clinical externship and a seminars course (16 credit hours). Students are assigned to a clinical affiliate for 36 hours per week for 16 weeks. This is day shift and generally other shifts or weekends are unavailable. During this time, students are allowed to perform laboratory procedures to gain entry level job competencies and proficiencies. Students are evaluated by exam, performance and compliance with Albany State University, program policies, and affiliate policies.

NOTE: Students must follow the curriculum guide in order to progress in the program.

Online Applicants

Please be sure that Albany State University online learning is an option in your state. This information can be found on our <u>Online/Distance Learning's Webpage.</u>

NOTE: No online student can be considered for participation without prior approved clinical support.

Application Process

- 1. Students must apply to and be accepted for enrollment with Albany State University.
- 2. Students must complete any learning support requirements prior to Program consideration.
- 3. Students must submit a completed MLT Program Application to the MLT Program Director.

MLT Program Application Requirements

- 1. MLT Program Application
- 2. Immunizations records includes HBV x3, Varicella x2, MMR x2
- 3. Letters of recommendation (no more than three)
- 4. Physical Exam Record
- 5. Health Insurance Form
- 6. Course Plan

(Please ensure you submit a **completed** application)

MLT Program Application Deadline

Fall Semester Application Deadline: June 1st*

* *Note*: Most new students begin fall semester. Spring semester program admissions based on individual review and space availability.

Applicant Evaluation Sample

••	Applicant	Requirement	Alternate	Applicant
Minimum Acceptance		-		
Application		Completed		
Exit Learning Support		Exit all		
Recommendation Letters: [1] [2] [3]		3		
HBV Immunizations		3 or positive titer		
SAT Score/GPA		870	9 semester hours of related ASU courses with > 2.5 GPA	
General Education Courses Completed: BIOL 2411K, ENGL 1101, MATH 1111, COMM 1110, POLS 1101, and BIOL 2211K				
Previous Lab Work	□Yes □No			
Medical Exam	□Yes □No			
Acceptance Status				

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APPLICANT FORMS

Complete and Return to MLT Program Director

Albany State University Darton College of Health Professions Medical Laboratory Technology Program Application

Name	
Date	
Albany State University Student ID#_	
DOB	

NOTE: If you do not have an ASU student ID# you are not eligible to participate in this Program.

Current Mailing Address			
Street			
Apt			
City	State	Zip	
Phone			
Home	Work	Cell	
Personal Email			

Check Program Option:

□ Online (requires clinical support); Name and location of clinical site:_____

□ Hybrid (online courses/on campus labs)

List colleges previously attended and degrees held:

College/University	Years Attended	Degree Awarded

Have you previously applied to this program?	□ Yes	🗆 No	If yes, when?
Have you applied to another Health Sciences Program?	□ Yes	🗆 No	
Is Medical Laboratory Technology your current major?	□ Yes	🗆 No	

Instructions: Indicate courses satisfactorily completed with a "C" or higher by placing a \checkmark in the appropriate box.

\Box BIOL 2411K	\Box CHEM 1211K	\Box ENGL 1101
□ BIOL 2412K	□ CHEM 1212K	□ MATH 1111
□ BIOL 2211K	□ COMM 1110	\Box POLS 1101

 \Box I have read all of the attached information and understand the application and selection process.

 \Box I hereby apply for admission to the Albany State University Medical Laboratory Technology Program for the Fall Semester of the year _____.

Signature	
Date	

Albany State University

Medical Laboratory Technology

2400 Gillionville Road Albany, Georgia 31707 Phone: (229) 500-2238 Fax: (229) 500-4393

Physical Evaluation Form

To be completed by physician/health care provider

I have examined ______ and find that she/he meets the following essential functions required for participation in the Albany State University Medical Laboratory Technology Program. The essentials are as follows:

<u>Visual Acuity</u> (with or without corrective lenses) sufficient to differentiate colors used as reaction indicators; to differentiate and identify specimens utilizing microscopic examination; to read laboratory manuals, procedures, policies, specimen labels, test requisitions and other materials pertinent to professional practice;

<u>**Physical Ability**</u> to manipulate clinical laboratory instruments and equipment in a manner consistent with operational procedures;

<u>Manual Dexterity</u> to perform procedures and operate equipment consistent with operational guidelines.

Mandatory Student Health Insurance

Beginning Fall Semester 2014, all new students accepted into ANY Darton College of Health Professions will be required to show proof of active Medical Insurance coverage. This is a new Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia mandate, and not an Albany State University mandate. Proof of coverage must be submitted between August 1 and September 5 or as otherwise posted. Submissions CANNOT be done BEFORE August 1, or AFTER September 5. Submission is done via the following website only:

Click here for more information regarding student health insurance

Proof of coverage must be provided in one of the following ways:

- 1) Through a currently active parent plan.
- 2) Through a currently active individual or family plan.
- 3) Through a currently active Employer-Sponsored plan.
- 4) Through a currently active Albany State University Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP).
- 5) Through a currently active Government-Sponsored Plan.

If a student fails to provide appropriate proof of coverage during the dates stated above, the student will be *automatically enrolled* (via the Business Office) into plan #4 above. As of May 1, 2014, the Annual Premium rate for Plan #4 was as follows:

Student – Age 26 and Under \$1,381.00 Student – Age 27 and Older \$1,782.00 *These rates and dates are subject to change without notice.

Additionally, Health Insurance coverage must be maintained by the student throughout the entire time that he/she remains enrolled and is actively progressing through his/her respective Health Sciences or Nursing Program. If a student fails to maintain Health Insurance coverage, then he/she will be immediately dismissed from his/her respective Health Sciences or Nursing Program for failure to maintain the mandatory coverage as required by the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia. If you have any questions regarding this requirement, please contact your respective Program Director, the Health Sciences Division Office, or the Nursing Division Office.

I have read the above statement, and I understand the requirements as listed above and understand that my acceptance into any Darton College of Health Professions requires Mandatory Medical Insurance coverage.

Student Signature

Date

Printed Name

Albany State University Medical Laboratory Technology 2400 Gillionville Road

Albany, Georgia 31707 Phone: (229) 500-2238 Fax: (229) 500-4393

Student ID# Date	Course Plan : Use curriculum course sheet (pg. 4 of this application packet) to complete this form. List all prerequisite courses you have taken in the "Prior to entry to MLT Program" section. List all courses you need to take to complete the MLT program in Semesters 1-4. NOTE: The MLT Program may be completed in 4 semesters. Taking general education classes prior to starting the program may result in you being a part-time student and may impact your financial aid.		
Prior to entry to MLT Program (Courses completed)			
MLT Program Semester 1 FALL			
MLT Program Semester 2 SPRING			
MLT Program Semester 3 SUMMER			
MLT Program Semester 4 FALL			

Albany State University

Recommendation Form MLT Program

Part 1 – To be completed by the applicant

Applicant's name:			
**	Last	First	Middle

Albany State University Student ID#: ____

Waiver of right-of-access to recommendation form content:

 \Box I waive my right of access to any information contained on this recommendation form.

 \Box I do not waive my right of access to information contained on this recommendation form.

Applicant's Signature (Required)

I understand that recommendation from family and friends are not permitted and will not be considered.

I understand that I must supply the person that I have chosen to give my recommendation form to an envelope to put the completed form in as well as a stamp for mailing. A sealed envelope containing the completed form may be returned by the applicant to the DMS office. If the envelope has been tampered with in any way, the contents will be void and not considered for entrance into the MLT Program.

Applicant's Signature (Required)

Please use the following address for returning your completed recommendation forms. It is recommended that you pre-address the envelopes.

Quontasha Glover, M.Ed MLS (ASCP)^{CM} MLT Program Director/Asst Professor Albany State University – West Campus 2400 Gillionville Road Albany, GA 31707-3098 Date

Date

Applicant's Name: _____

Part 2 – To be completed by the evaluator

The above individual is applying to a professional program at Albany State University. We value your comments and ask that you give a full and candid appraisal so that fair consideration may be given to the applicant.

5 = Outstanding 4	= Good	3 = Average	2 = Fair	1 =	Poor	0 = N/A
Academic motivation	1		Ability	y to cope with	n stress	
Attitude toward authority	ority		Analy	tical and prob	olem solving abi	lity
Adaptability to chang	ge		Ability	y to work wit	h people	
Organizational skills			Leader	rship ability		
Integrity			Person	nal appearanc	e	
Dependability/Reliab	oility		Ability	y to communi	icate effectively	
Emotional maturity						
Please check one : I have known the app My relationship to th		□ Less than one y □ Employer/Supe] 1-3 years] Educator	□ 4 or more ye □ Counselor	ears □ Other

Summary:

We invite additional comments and observations about the applicant. If the applicant is already functioning as a healthcare provider, comment on this individual's technical skills and professional knowledge base.

Evaluator Information (Please print)

Name:		
Position:		
Address:		
Telephone: (Work)	(Home)	