



WHAT IS THIS PROGRAM?

Seattle Central's Medical Assistant certificate program prepares students for the Certified Medical Assistant examination. Students who pass this examination become nationally certified and can apply for Washington state certification. Medical Assistants are in significant demand in Washington, with many varied practice opportunities throughout the state. The Medical Assistant certificate program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP), upon the recommendation of the Medical Assisting Education Review Board (MAERB).

HOW LONG IS THE PROGRAM? Three (3) quarters; 57 credits

WHEN TO BEGIN?

The CMA program starts a new cohort fall, winter, spring, and summer quarter. Each quarter, there is space for 24 students to begin the program. It is recommended that students enroll once registration opens for the quarter they wish to begin. For quarterly registration dates, refer to the [Seattle Central College Academic Calendar](#). Any student who meets the program [eligibility requirements](#) can enroll in the first three courses of the program: CMA 101, CMA 102, and CMA 103—as long as space is available.

PROGRAM OPTIONS

Hybrid—Online and face-to-face (in-person) instruction

Online—Online only with virtual clinical simulations.

WHAT WILL I LEARN?

Medical Assisting students will learn both clinical and administrative skills, including electronic record keeping, scheduling appointments, insurance verification, reception, and effective communication.

WHAT ARE THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS?

- High School Diploma or GED
- Be eligible for ENGL 098 and Math 087/091;

HOW DO I GET STARTED?

1. **Apply at Seattle Central College.** Go to: <https://seattlecentral.edu/get-started/enroll-now>
2. **Establish your English and math eligibility.** Students can submit relevant transcripts to the Admissions office and/or take placement tests for English and Math.
3. **Enroll in the first three courses:** CMA 101, CMA 102, and CMA 103. Seats in the program are on a first-come, first-serve basis. We recommend that you sign up at or around the registration date for the quarter you wish to begin. You will find these dates on the academic calendar.

More questions? Contact us at AlliedHealth.Central@seattlecolleges.edu or visit <https://Healthcare.SeattleCentral.edu/programs/Medical-Assisting>

PROGRAM COST ESTIMATE 2021-22

COST TYPE	AMOUNT	NOTES	Q1 15 CREDITS	Q2 21 CREDITS	Q3 21 CREDITS
Tuition	Per credit	Quarterly	\$1486	\$1983	\$1983
Student ID	\$7.50	One-time	\$7.50	--	--
Computer Lab Fee	\$86.25	Quarterly	\$86.25	\$86.25	\$86.25
Student Activity Fee	\$40	Quarterly	\$40	\$40	\$40
Transportation Management Fee	\$15	Quarterly	\$15	\$15	\$15
Online Courseware Fee	\$15	Quarterly	\$15	\$15	\$15
Universal Technology Fee	\$3	Per credit	\$45	\$63	\$63
Medical Assisting Lab Fee	\$189	Quarterly	\$189	\$189	\$189
First Aid/CPR Training	\$49.50	One-time	\$49.50	--	--
Malpractice Insurance	\$15.50	One-time	--	--	--
Textbook/supplies est.	\$409	One-time	\$409	--	--
Background Check	\$52	One-time	\$52	--	--
Certification Exam Fee	\$155	Included in tuition	--	--	--
Quarterly Totals			\$2,394	\$2,391	\$2,391
Program Total					\$7,177

2022-23 Quarterly Registration Dates:

Fall Quarter: May 16 for returning students; May 23 for new students

Winter Quarter: October 31 for returning students; November 07 for new students

Spring Quarter: February 06 for returning students; February 13 for new students

Summer Quarter: May 16 for returning students; May 23 for new students

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