

PHARMACY TECHNICIAN

WHAT WILL I BE DOING?

- Work for a retail pharmacy or health care facility
- Advise and help patients
- Learn new pharmacy technology such as robotic dispensing machines
- Call doctors' offices and insurance companies

NATIONAL, STATE AND LOCAL WAGE INFORMATION

	2019 Entry Level Hourly Wage	2016 Employment	Projected 2026 Employment
Capital Area	\$13.83	2,485	3,313
Texas	\$12.95	37,240	44,252
United States	\$11.60	422,300*	437,600*

WHAT JOB TITLES SHOULD I SEARCH FOR?

- Pharmacist Technician
- Certified Pharmacy Technician

WHERE COULD I WORK?

- Medical and Surgical Hospitals
- Health and Personal Care Stores
- Grocery Stores
- Other General Merchandise Stores
- Department Stores

KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS NEEDED

WHAT TYPE OF EDUCATION AND/OR TRAINING WILL I NEED?

Workers in occupations at this level can develop the skills needed for average job performance by completing a certificate program in pharmacy technology or by interning at pharmacies. Workers can also take a licensing exam to improve their job prospects.

WILL I NEED A SPECIAL LICENSE OR CERTIFICATION?

Many occupations prefer or require at least one certification for entry or advancement.

Primary Data Sources: Texas Workforce Commission at texaslmi.com, JobsEQ at jobseq.eqsuite.com, Bureau of Labor Statistics at bls.gov, and CareerOneStop at careerinfonet.org, 2019, *US projections are for 2019-2029



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CAPITAL AREA CAREER LADDER

* Also Included on Targeted Occupation List (PY 2021)

Pharmacist

Hourly Wages

- Entry Level: \$50.48
- Median Level: \$63.97

159 new & replacement positions between 2018-2028

Typical Education & Experience

- Doctoral or Professional Degree



Hourly Wages

- Entry Level: \$13.83
- Median Level: \$16.99

828 new & replacement positions between 2018-2028

Typical Education & Experience

- High School Diploma or Equivalent
- Moderate-term on-the-job training



Pharmacy Aide

Hourly Wages

- Entry Level: \$10.04
- Median Level: \$11.95

Typical Education & Experience

- High School Diploma or Equivalent
- Short-term on-the-job training



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