Associate of Applied Science in Medical Assisting
School of Health Sciences

Pursue Your Degree in a Field That is Expected to Grow.¹
Kaplan University’s Associate of Applied Science in Medical Assisting program combines traditional teaching and hands-on training designed to help you develop the knowledge and skills to perform laboratory, clinical, and medical office procedures in a physician’s office or ambulatory care clinic.² The degree program offers a broad education that could help you develop advanced technical and communication skills you can use on the job.

Our goal is to create a dynamic environment for online learning, allowing you to access our user-friendly classes virtually anywhere you have an Internet connection.

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To enroll, call your Admissions Advisor today at 866.318.2441. For more information, visit www.kaplanuniversity.edu.
Well-Qualified Medical Assistants Are Expected to Be in Demand

As the health care industry expands, the Bureau of Labor Statistics projects an increased long-term demand for all health care workers. In addition, employment of medical assistants is expected to grow 31 percent from 2010 through 2020, much faster than the average for all occupations.

Medical assistants most often work in primary care, which is expected to be a steadily growing sector of the health care field. And, because well-trained medical assistants can often handle both administrative and clinical tasks, the Bureau of Labor Statistics anticipates a continued demand for these workers in group practices, clinics, and other health care facilities.

Now could be the right time to enter the medical assisting field. Pursue an associate's degree in medical assisting from Kaplan University and make the most of these industry trends.

Develop the Skills to Help You Succeed

Kaplan University’s Associate of Applied Science in Medical Assisting is designed to help you develop the knowledge and skills to perform laboratory, clinical, and medical office procedures in a physician's office or ambulatory care clinic. Career opportunities for medical assistants could also exist in hospitals, health clinics, and private practices. Once medical assistants are established in their career, they often pursue further opportunities, such as specialization in a field of choice like ophthalmology or pediatrics.

Through comprehensive coursework and online teaching methods, Kaplan University could prepare you to succeed in the medical assisting field. And, since medical assisting students are required to complete an externship at a real-world health care facility prior to graduation, you could also gain valuable on-the-job experience.

Potential Day-to-Day Activities:

› Perform routine laboratory tests, such as blood work, venipuncture, urinalysis, and electrocardiograms
› Record patients’ vital signs
› Change dressings and remove sutures
› Assist in patient preparation, relations, and education
› Collect and prepare laboratory specimens
› Manage patient records
› Arrange for hospital admissions and laboratory services
Knowledge to Help You Prepare for the Career You Want

Kaplan University’s Associate of Applied Science in Medical Assisting program is designed to prepare entry-level medical assistants with the proper knowledge, skills, and behavior for the field.1 Graduates of the program may be eligible to take the Registered Medical Assistant (RMA) exam offered by the American Medical Technologists.4

The program curriculum emphasizes:
- Demonstration of competencies in all aspects of medical assisting
- Exhibition of proficiency in clerical and administrative functions required of a medical assistant
- Integration of knowledge from behavioral and biological sciences as a basis for allied health practice
- Embodiment of professional behaviors as defined by the discipline of allied health

Program Detail

Associate of Applied Science in Medical Assisting
- Credit Hours: 92

Here Is What One Graduate Had to Say

Kelly Nelson3
- School of Health Sciences Graduate

“It is definitely challenging to complete the classes online because you have to be very disciplined. You have to be very organized. And you have to really keep a schedule. I think that really helped me prepare for the real world because, as a health and fitness coordinator, I’m a one-woman show. I’m the one in charge of making my schedule and making sure everything gets done. And, because of my experience with Kaplan University, I was able to learn from that and use it in the real world.”
Kaplan University—A Different School of Thought®

We Stand Behind Our Academic Quality. Try Our Classes Before You Owe Any Tuition.

Kaplan University wants you to make an educated decision about your education. As a new student, the Kaplan CommitmentSM gives you a chance to experience real classes before deciding if you will stay and pursue your studies. If you withdraw during the introductory period, you will have no financial obligation beyond the application fee.6

Why Kaplan University?
Our programs are designed to offer you the freedom to grow and pursue your goals. We offer:
> Online classes that allow you to study virtually anytime, anywhere you have an Internet connection.
> Personal advisors to help you select the courses to meet your goals.
> Reduced tuition rates for active-duty servicemembers and veterans.
> A portfolio development course that could help translate your work and life experiences into college credit.7
> Scholarships for eligible Kaplan University students.

Other Programs
In addition to this program, Kaplan University also offers:
> Associate of Applied Science in Health Information Technology
> Associate of Applied Science in Medical Office Management

Note From Dean
“Education is about opportunity, and a health sciences education offers you the opportunity to gain exposure to a rapidly changing field. At Kaplan University’s School of Health Sciences, we are committed to providing the training and skills to help you begin or advance a career in the health field. I hope you will join us.”

Dr. Keith L. Smith
Dean, School of Health Sciences

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