

## Pharmacy Technician (PhT)

The Pharmacy Technician diploma program at Eastern is **54 weeks. It includes a 9-week internship.** Pharmacy technicians work collaboratively with health care providers, prepare, dispense and compound medications, manage inventory, perform administrative tasks and assist in the provision of pharmaceutical care. Pharmacy technicians work primarily in retail, hospital, and long-term care facilities.

In taking this program you will receive extensive training in pharmacology, anatomy and physiology, pharmaceutical calculations, and other key areas. The pharmacy technician profession is regulated in some provinces, and this program adheres to standards set by the Canadian Council for the Accreditation of Pharmacy Programs, helping to ensure that our graduates get the education necessary to meet the entry to practice competency requirements developed by regulators for pharmacy technicians across Canada.

### Program Benefits

- ✓ Half Day Classes
- ✓ Small Class Sizes
- ✓ Job Placement Assistance
- ✓ First Aid with Heartstart
- ✓ Classrooms that simulate real-world pharmacy settings
- ✓ Accredited by the Canadian Council for Accreditation of pharmacy programs for a five year term – July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2027 (Halifax).

### Here's a look at some of the courses included in this program:

#### Preparatory Studies

Professional Skills for Pharmacy Technician, Student Success Strategies, Standard First Aid/Heartstart Training/WHMIS, Career Planning and Preparation, Comprehensive Review

#### Pharmacy Fundamentals

Introduction to Pharmacy, Pharmaceutical Fundamentals, Anatomy and Physiology, Pharmaceutical Calculations

#### Pharmacy Practice

Pharmacology, Preparation of Extemporaneous Mixtures, Hospital Pharmacy, Community Pharmacy



## Employment and Wage Outlook for Careers in this field:



Employment Rate based on 2022 contactable Eastern graduates employed in a related field within 12 months.

Source: workingincanada.gc.ca

NOC Code: 3219 - \*\*Wage data rounded down to the nearest dollar and based on Nova Scotia data. Average wage doesn't reflect the starting salary but represents the middle value between lowest to highest wages. Local (or regional) income may vary. Last updated in Jan 2024.

### Career Opportunities

Hospital/Retail Pharmacies

### Employers Who Have Hired Eastern Grads

**SHOPPERS**  
DRUG MART



**COSTCO**  
PHARMACY

**Sobeys**  
Pharmacy

**RxPharmaChoice**

### Other Employers Include:

- Atlantic Superstore
- Passage Pharmachoice
- Superstore Pharmacy
- CDHI – QEII – Victoria General Hospital

