

Dear Applicant:

We are accepting applications for the upcoming school year which starts in August. Interviewing applicants will be held during May- July. Application packets can be obtained from Jennifer Hubbard at 210- 567-4056 or online. A complete application to the program requires 2 letters of recommendation, official copies of high school and college transcripts, resume, and a completed application form. The minimum requirement is a high school degree with classes that may include biology, chemistry, and algebra. We do prefer an associate degree with classes in biology, chemistry, and algebra. During the interviewing process, applicants are scored on the interview, grades, lab experience, and letters of recommendation. The program accepts 1-4 students per year.

The program does not charge tuition but we do require that students purchase the required textbooks in August. Books cost approximately \$420. Parking for the year at UTHSC can be purchased for \$90 for the school year. Total cost, including general expenses, for the year is approximately \$1,000.

Students attend classes and clinical rotations 8:00am -4:30pm, Tuesday thru Friday. 50% of your time would be spent in classes and the other 50% would be instruction in the clinical rotations. Jobs need to be before and/or after these stated hours without any exceptions. Clinical rotations include rotations through the UTHSCSA Histology and Electron Microscopy Laboratories, University Hospital, South Texas Dermatopathology Laboratory, and CTRC Laboratory. Classes include lectures and exams in Gross Anatomy, Microanatomy, and Histology.

Upon graduating, students are able to sit for the written portion of the HT Registry. Beginning in December 2017, ASCP will require an Associate's Degree to sit for the registry as well. I became the program director in May 2001 and all of the students that have graduated have passed the HT Registry and were employed upon graduation. We do not have job placement, but recruiters, employers, and clinical rotation supervisors have hired our graduates. There is a 22% shortage of certified histotechnitians nationwide; therefore jobs are available in the field.

The University Hospital/UTHSCSA Histotechnology Training Program was established in the early 1970's and has graduated more than 100 students. Our program is small and dedicated to educating and training our students to be successful. If you have any other questions, please feel free to call me at 210-567- 4056. I am looking forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

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