

PSYCHIATRIC TECHNICIAN- THREE SEMESTER: AS DEGREE

The Psychiatric Technician Program is a three-semester program designed to prepare qualified men and women to practice as psychiatric technicians. The program provides two approaches to learning; coursework is combined with practical application. Clinical training occurs in hospitals and health agencies. A certificate in Psychiatric Technician is granted by the college after completion of the program, and the student is eligible to take the examination for licensure. The academic subjects for both the Certificate and A.S. Degree are offered at Napa Valley College.

Program Learning Outcomes

1. Act ethically and respect the parameters of client privacy and confidentiality.
2. Accurately document all clinical assessments and interventions in a timely manner, prioritizing patient care while delivering age appropriate services.
3. Effectively participate in a therapeutic environment and communicate professionally.

Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Units
Prerequisite Courses (6 units)		
HEOC-100	Basic Anatomy & Physiology	3
HEOC-101	Pharmacology	3
Total Units		6

Code	Title	Units
Required Core Courses (45 units)		
HEOC-172	Basic Nutrition	2
PSYC-124	Psychology of Adjustment	3
PSYC-125	Human Development	3
PTEC-150	Principles & Practice for Psychiatric Technicians 1	13
PTEC-155	Principles & Practice for Psychiatric Technicians 2	12
PTEC-156	Principles & Practice for Psychiatric Technicians 3	12
Total Units		45

To receive an Associate Degree, students must complete 60 degree applicable semester units with a grade point average of at least 2.0. Students must also complete the NVC General Education (<https://catalog.napavalley.edu/getting-your-degree/general-education/#nvcgeneraleducationtext>) pattern to earn an Associate degree. Consultation with a Counselor is highly encouraged to ensure all requirements are met.