

Richmond Community College

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State / Territory	Meets educational Requirements	Does not meet educational requirements	State / Territory	Meets educational Requirements	Does not meet educational requirements
Alabama		*	Nebraska		*
Alaska		*	Nevada	*	
American Samoa		*	New Hampshire		*
Arizona		*	New Jersey		*
Arkansas		*	New Mexico		*
California	*		New York		*
Colorado		*	North Carolina	*	
Connecticut		*	North Dakota		*
Delaware		*	Northern Mariana Islands		*
Florida		*	Ohio		*
Georgia		*	Oklahoma		*
Guam		*	Oregon		*
Hawaii		*	Pennsylvania		*
Idaho		*	Puerto Rico		*
Illinois		*	Rhode Island		*
Indiana		*	South Carolina		*
Iowa		*	South Dakota		*
Kansas		*	Tennessee		*
Kentucky		*	Texas		*
Louisiana	*		US Virgin Islands		*
Maine		*	Utah		*
Maryland		*	Vermont		*
Massachusetts		*	Virginia		*
Michigan		*	Washington	*	*
Minnesota		*	West Virginia		*
Mississippi		*	Wisconsin		*
Missouri		*	Wyoming		*
Montana		*	District of Columbia		*

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Comments:

Phlebotomy requirements vary by state and other individual factors including credentials, training, and job experience, criminal history or medical service.

There are no standardized requirements across all 50 states for the Phlebotomy program.

Student applications are reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

Additional Information:

In the United States, the only states that require special state certification for Phlebotomy are **California, Louisiana, Nevada, and Washington**.

If a phlebotomist is moving to **California** from another state, California's Department of Public Health requires applicants to provide documentation of both academic coursework and clinical training and/or work experience to be licensed in California. California's Department of Public Health only accepts on-the-job experience that includes blood collection solely for testing purposes. California also includes three levels of phlebotomy certification: Limited Phlebotomy Technician, Certified Phlebotomy Technician I, and Certified Phlebotomy Technician II. Academic requirements for California require a high school diploma or GED and official transcripts that show an applicant has earned credit for courses completed at an accredited university. Applicants must also have passed an approved phlebotomy national certification examination.

Louisiana requires several components to its phlebotomy certification application. These components include a notarized oath or affirmation, a third-party authorization (authorization for Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners to gather information about the applicant), a photograph taken within the last 6 months (passport quality), and a background check. Additional components include a birth certificate or valid visa, verification of other health care certifications and licenses, and an online education course and quiz.

Nevada recognizes phlebotomists as "lab assistants" and must complete lab certification training. In contrast to California work experience requirements, Nevada does permit work in a blood bank to count as clinical experience.

If moving to the state of **Washington**, phlebotomists require a bit more to receive licensure. To become a phlebotomist in Washington, applicants must have a high school diploma or GED, have received formal training at a post-secondary program at an accredited institution (or through an apprenticeship with a licensed healthcare practitioner) or through the military. The applicant must also complete a minimum of seven AIDS training hours and provide a list of all states in which one has applied for a phlebotomy credential (whether it was received or not). Applicants for licensure in Washington must also provide specific statements verifying sound physical health, mental health, no history of substance abuse, no history of felony convictions, and no history of disciplinary actions or loss of credentialing. Any statements made in the positive for any of these will require explanations.

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