

An individual must meet the qualifications/pre-requisites for entrance into the program prior to applying for Mercy Scholars.

After being accepted into a specified program, it is then the individual's responsibility to notify Human Resources of their interest in applying for Mercy Scholars.

As part of the selection process for Mercy Scholars, an application, acceptance letter into desired program from the college, previous official transcripts, & references are required. In addition, applicants must complete a job shadow experience, & assessment tool. Once all are completed an interview will be scheduled.

Medical Technologist (MT): The Medical Technologist plays an important role in the detection, treatment, and diagnosis of disease. They examine and analyze body fluids, tissues, and cells. They prepare specimens for examination, count cells and look for abnormal cells. Medical Technologists generally have a bachelor's degree in medical technology or in one of the life sciences. They perform complex chemical, biological, hematological, immunologic microscopic, and bacteriological tests. They make cultures of body fluid and tissue samples, to determine the presence of bacteria, fungi, parasites, or other microorganisms. They also type and cross match blood samples for transfusions. The Medical Technologists generally supervises the medical and clinical laboratory technicians.

The University of Iowa offers a program for Medical Technologists. The schooling generally requires 4 to 5 years of training.

University of Iowa Clinical Laboratory Sciences Program Entrance requirements:

This program requires 3 or more years of prerequisite course work plus the final clinical year. To be eligible to apply for the clinical year, students must take biology, physiology, microbiology, and immunology, chemistry (organic, general organic, and biochemistry), and college level mathematics and statistics, and maintain at least a GPA of 2.5. The clinical year consists of a summer session and a semester of didactic instruction followed by a semester spent rotting through hospital and related laboratories. Students who enter the program begin their clinical year during the summer between their junior and senior year. Satisfactory performance on a comprehensive examination is required for graduation from the Program.

For more information, contact the Clinical Laboratory Sciences Program at 319-335-8248 or email: Mclsp@uihc.uiow.edu. For career and certification information log on to www.ascp.org/bor

Stated above is a suggested college only to obtain this degree. A Mercy Scholars applicant can choose any college they would like to, in order to, obtain this particular degree.
