

Two great career opportunities

MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIST (MT):

national average salary: \$53,280



Medical Technologists have the opportunity to work in clinical laboratory disciplines including chemistry, hematology, immunology and even microbiology. The information gathered and provided by the MT

helps a doctor decide what medical treatment a patient will receive. Duties and responsibilities include:

- ▶ *Performing a full range of laboratory tests*
- ▶ *Confirming the accuracy of test results*
- ▶ *Reporting findings to a pathologist and other physicians*

MEDICAL LAB TECHNICIAN (MLT):

national average salary: \$39,723

Working under the supervision of an MT, a Medical Lab Technician (MLT) is a skilled individual whose duties and responsibilities include:



- ▶ *Performing tests accurately and efficiently in all areas of the clinical laboratory*
- ▶ *Operating high-tech laboratory equipment*
- ▶ *Searching for the basic clues to assist in the diagnosis of disease*

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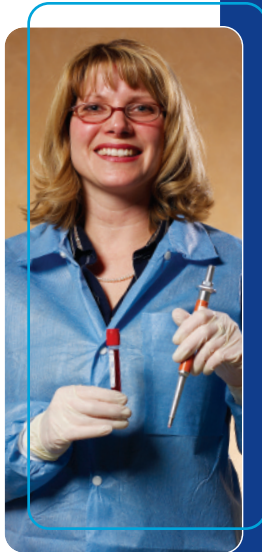
Both Medical Technologists and Medical Laboratory Technicians are in demand at a variety of health care and corporate settings. These include:

- ▶ Hospitals
- ▶ Independent Laboratories
- ▶ Clinics
- ▶ Public Health Facilities
- ▶ Biotechnology Companies
- ▶ Molecular Diagnostic Companies
- ▶ Vitro Fertilization Laboratories
- ▶ Research Laboratories



"I began my career as a Lab Technician in the military. After the military, I earned a dual Bachelor's Degree in Biology and Medical Technology, and began working at Sister's Hospital. My job there is to test patient samples and deliver the results to the doctors. I love the fact that I can use my medical and biology background to help people."

Jennifer
Medical Technologist
Sister's Core Laboratory
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Buffalo



Educational Preparation for a career as an MT or MLT

Both career pathways require a solid foundation in high school sciences — biology, chemistry, math and computer science. Each also has its own specific requirements and opportunities for advancement. Both careers require licensure in New York State.

Medical Technologist (MT) Minimum Education Requirements

- ▶ You'll need a Baccalaureate Degree in Medical Technology/ Clinical Laboratory Science AND an NAACLS accredited clinical education component. (NAACLS stands for National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences.)
- ▶ While attending school, you can work part time in a laboratory to earn extra money and then begin full-time work upon graduation.

Medical Lab Technician (MLT) Minimum Education Requirements

- ▶ You'll need a combination of an Associate Degree and clinical education in a Medical Laboratory Technician program accredited by the NAACLS.
- ▶ If you go on to earn a Baccalaureate Degree and/or have the appropriate experience, you can advance to the Medical Technologist (MT) level.



Here's where to find more information on scholarships, tuition assistance, and a career as an **MT or MLT**

Medical Technologist Programs

CANISIUS COLLEGE Clinical Laboratory Science Program

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