ENROLLMENT IS OPEN from 2/16/2015 – 4/9/2015
Clinical Medical Assisting Certificate Fall 2015 Semester

Are you a bilingual, motivated professional looking to start your career in the medical profession? Do you want to earn $14-$26 per hour? Do you want job placement assistance? If yes, Merritt College’s Medical Assisting Certificate Program is for you!

Space is limited!

Merritt College is now accepting applications for the Medical Assisting Program. Students will learn medical assisting skills needed to obtain employment.

The Medical Assisting Program was created in collaboration with The Unity Council, Asian Health Services, La Clinica de la Raza, Lifelong Medical Care, Native American Health Center, Tiburcio Vasquez Health Center, Terra Nova, and University Health Services Tang Center at UC Berkeley and more.

Graduation Requirements:
- 18 weeks Medical Assistant Classroom Instruction
- 160 hours Clinical Externship

How to Apply:
- Apply online to Merritt College
- Meet with a Counselor
- Take the English and math* assessment
- Attend New Student Orientation
- Attend one Medical Assisting Information Session
- Complete Medical Assistant application
- Include transcripts and/or certificates from other medical training programs with your application

**Deadline to turn in paperwork is April 9, 2015**

Questions:
Contact Grace Idowu at (510) 434 – 3886 or gidowu@perlata.edu or Counseling Department in R Building (510) 436-2475
MEDICAL ASSISTING TRAINING PROGRAM
FAQ Fall 2015 Semester

Deadline for submitting all paperwork is Thursday, April 9, 2015

To apply to the Medical Assisting Program, do I have to be bilingual?
No. We encourage all qualified applicants over the age of 18 to apply.

Do I need a high school diploma?
A high school diploma or GED is required. We accept diplomas from other countries.

How do I apply to the Medical Assistant Program?
- Apply online to Merritt College at http://www.merritt.edu and click on “Enroll Now”
- Meet with a Counselor (call 510-436-2475 or 510-436-2429 to schedule an appointment)
- Fill out the FAFSA application at http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/
- Attend New Student Orientation (call 510-436-2611 to schedule an appointment) after acceptance.
- Attend one Medical Assisting orientation at Merritt College (Mondays)
- Complete MA application (available at orientation session or online at ww.merritt.edu/wp/medas/)
- Include transcripts and/or certificates from other medical training programs with MA application
- Take the English and math assessment. If you have a test transcript from another community college or an English and/or math course from another college or university, please take the transcript to a Counselor for review.

Where are the Medical Assisting Classes held?
Merritt College 12500 Campus Drive, Oakland, CA 94619 Room D—119 and D130

What is the class schedule at Merritt College?
- MA Classes begin on August 17, 2015 and end December 11, 2015(approximately)
- MA Classes are Monday & Thursday 9:00 AM - 11:15 AM, Tuesday & Wednesday 8:30AM – 3:15 PM
- BLS/ CPR class is one Saturday per semester TBA
- 160 hour externships will begin in January 2016

What services will The Unity Council provide? On site at 1900 Fruitvale Ave, Oakland:
- Job Readiness Workshops, Employment Assistance, Customer Service Training
- Externship Placement

What is required for Graduation?
15 Units are required for earning Certificate of Proficiency/Graduation
- MEDAS Classes: 201A (5 units) and 201B (7 units)
- Career Exploration III Class (1 unit)
- 160 hours Externship COPED 470F in spring 2014 (2 units)
- BLS/ CPR certification for Health Professionals

How much will it cost?
- Fall 2015 cost is $677 and Spring Externship is $112. Mandatory Background Check is $62. CPR is about $70. Textbooks $140. Total cost is $1,000, which includes $46.00 per unit and campus fees.
- Tuition cost is for CA Residents and Dream Act Students (fees subject to change).

What supplies will I need?
- 2 uniforms (ceil blue scrub top and pants), white shoes
- Textbooks (approximately $140.00)
- Stethoscope and Blood Pressure Cuff (approximately $50)

What kind of financial support is there?
- Financial Assistance for low-income individuals is available on a case-by-case basis for those who qualify. Please contact the Financial Aid office at 510-436-2465.

How do I obtain more information? Contact Grace Idowu at (510) 434 - 3886 or e-mail gidowu@peralta.edu