# **CURRICULUM STANDARD**

Effective Term
Spring 2013
[2013\*01]

Curriculum Program Title Positron Emission Tomography (Diploma) Program Code Code CIP Code 51.0999

# **Curriculum Description**

The Positron Emission Tomography curriculum prepares individuals, working in conjunction with PET Technologist, to perform related PET radiopharmacy, procedures, and safety.

Students will acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to perform PET studies, including the use of PET/CT and PET/CT fusion. Past, present and future PET issues and studies will also be discussed.

Graduates may be eligible to take the registry examination given by the Nuclear Medicine Technology Certification Board. Employment opportunities can be found in hospitals, freestanding PET centers and mobile PET companies.

Admission criteria include the completion of a diploma in Nuclear Medicine, Radiology or Radiation Therapy.

### Curriculum Requirements\*

[for associate degree, diploma, and certificate programs in accordance with 1D SBCCC 400.10]

- **General Education.** Degree programs must contain a minimum of 15 semester hours including at least one course from each of the following areas: humanities/fine arts, social/behavioral sciences, and natural sciences/mathematics. Degree programs must contain a minimum of 6 semester hours of communications. Diploma programs must contain a minimum of 6 semester hours of general education; 3 semester hours must be in communications. General education is optional in certificate programs.
- **Major Hours**. AAS, diploma, and certificate programs must include courses which offer specific job knowledge and skills. Work-based learning may be included in associate in applied science degrees up to a maximum of 8 semester hours of credit; in diploma programs up to a maximum of 4 semester hours of credit; and in certificate programs up to a maximum of 2 semester hours of credit. (See second page for additional information.)
- **III. Other Required Hours.** A college may include courses to meet graduation or local employer requirements in a certificate, diploma, or associate in applied science program. These curriculum courses shall be selected from the Combined Course Library and must be approved by the System Office prior to implementation. Restricted, unique, or free elective courses may not be included as other required hours.

	AAS	Diploma	Certificate
Minimum General Education Hours	15	6	0
Minimum Major Hours	49	30	12
Other Required Hours	0-7	0-4	0-1
Total Semester Hours Credit (SHC)	64-76	36-48	12-18

# **Major Hours**

- **A. Core.** The subject/course core is comprised of subject areas and/or specific courses which are required for each curriculum program. A diploma program offered under an approved AAS program standard or a certificate which is the highest credential level awarded under an approved AAS program standard must include a minimum of 12 semester hours credit derived from the subject/course core of the AAS program.
- **B.** Concentration (if applicable). A concentration of study must include a minimum of 12 semester hours credit from required subjects and/or courses. The majority of the course credit hours are unique to the concentration. The required subjects and/or courses that make up the concentration of study are in addition to the required subject/course core.
- **C. Other Major Hours.** Other major hours must be selected from prefixes listed on the curriculum standard. A maximum of 9 semester hours of credit may be selected from any prefix listed, with the exception of prefixes listed in the core or concentration. Work-based learning may be included in associate in applied science degrees up to a maximum of 8 semester hours of credit; in diploma programs up to a maximum of 4 semester hours of credit; and in certificate programs up to a maximum of 2 semester hours of credit.

#### Positron Emission Tomography (Diploma) (D45820)

			AAS	Diploma	Certificate
Min	Minimum Major Hours Required		49 SHC	30 SHC	12 SHC
A.	CORE		N\A	15 SHC	
Req	uired Courses:				
	PET 112 PET Procedures	3 SHC			
	PET 125 PET Radiopharmaceuticals	3 SHC			
	PET 145 PET Physics	3 SHC			
	PET 218 PET Protection	3 SHC			
	PET 225 PET Instrumentation	3 SHC			
В.	CONCENTRATION (Not applicable)				
C.	OTHER MAJOR HOURS				
	To be selected from the following prefixes:				
	CIS, CSC, PET, and WBL				
	Up to two semester hour credits may be selected from ACA.				
Up to three semester hour credits may be selected from the following prefixes: ARA, ASL, CHI, FRE, GER, ITA, JPN, LAT, POR, RUS and SPA.					