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ASCP Board of Certification Examination Results for SWTC's MLT Graduates

Certification by the American Society for Clinical Pathologists (ASCP) may be required by some employers hiring Medical Laboratory Technicians in the clinical laboratory setting. While completion of the ASCP MLT Certification exam is not a mandatory part of the MLT program, SWTC encourages all graduates to apply for ASCP certification. In addition to traditionally higher pay scales for certified technicians, the ASCP certification exam demonstrates an individual's commitment to the laboratory profession and offers greater career advancement and variety of job opportunities. Students who graduate from an accredited Medical Laboratory Technician Program are eligible to take the American Society of for Clinical Pathology (ASCP) Board of Certification (BOC) examination for Medical Laboratory Technicians. The following table shows the passing rate for SWTC Graduates who take the MLT ASCP Certification Exam within 1 year of graduation.

| Year | SWTC Graduates Taking the Exam | Number of Graduates Passing | Pass Rate for SWTC Graduates |
|------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| 2021 | 9 | 8 | 88.9% |
| 2022 | 7 | 7 | 100% |
| 2023 | 5 | 4 | 80% |

3-year average (2021 – 2023)

| SWTC Graduates Taking the Exam | Number of Graduates Passing | Pass Rate for SWTC Graduates | NAACLS Standard |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| 21 | 19 | 90% | 75% |

Graduation Results for SWTC's MLT Graduates

The MLT Program at SWTC is accredited by the National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS). As part of this accreditation process graduation rates for the MLT program are reported annually along with employment rates.

| Year | SWTC Students enrolled 3 rd Semester | Number of Graduates | Graduation Rate |
|------|---|---------------------|-----------------|
| 2021 | 9 | 9 | 100% |
| 2022 | 7 | 7 | 100% |
| 2023 | 5 | 5 | 100% |

3-year average (2021 – 2023)

| SWTC Students enrolled 3 rd Semester | Number of Graduates | Graduation Rate | NAACLS Standard |
|---|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 21 | 21 | 100% | 70% |

For reporting purposes, the graduation rate is based on the number of students who enter the third semester of the program enrolling in Clinical Chemistry and/or Clinical Microbiology and who successfully go on to graduate.

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Employment / Placement Results for SWTC's MLT Graduates

| Year | Number of Responding Graduates | Number Employed in Related Field | Placement Rate | NAACLS Standard |
|------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 2021 | 4 | 3 | 75% | 70% |
| 2022 | 7 | 7 | 100% | 70% |
| 2023 | 5 | 5 | 100% | 70% |

3-year average (2021 – 2023)

| Number of Responding Graduates | Number Employed in Related Field | Placement Rate | NAACLS Standard |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 16 | 15 | 94% | 70% |

The placement rate is defined as the number of students who are employed in the field or in a closely related field OR continue their education within one year of graduation. Placement rates reported in NAACLS Annual Survey are based on Graduate Survey Responses and/or data collected by MLT Program Director. For a more detailed breakdown and comparison to other SWTC programs, see the link to the Graduation Success Report.