

Bay Area Medical Academy

Jump Start Courses

Bay Area Medical Academy (BAMA) has been a leader in healthcare workforce training in the San Francisco Bay Area for 15 years, providing customized training programs for healthcare employers for up-skilling and re-skilling of their workforce. An award-winning social enterprise, this community-based school offers scholarships to individuals and discounted tuition to nonprofits and organizations working to alleviate poverty. BAMA offers quality academic instruction and job-oriented, skills-training in Medical Assisting, Phlebotomy, EKG, Pharmacy Technology and Nursing Assisting. They strive for a community where everyone is given equal opportunities to succeed and they believe that education is the best way to empower individuals to move up the economic ladder.

Program Overview

Jump Start courses help students begin an education journey online, acquire knowledge common across multiple allied health careers, and improve their candidacy for an education program through Futuro Health. Anatomy and Physiology for healthcare and Medical Terminology are both required courses for the Medical Assistant Program.

Program Highlights

- Bay Area Medical Academy offers a fully online anatomy and physiology (9 weeks) and medical terminology class (4 weeks). The program is 100% online.
- There are weekly assignment due dates and participation requirements and once per week students are expected to be online with their instructor at a pre-determined time.
- Anatomy and physiology is offered first, followed by medical terminology.
- Students are expected to spend ~20 hours/week on classroom material and review.

Bay Area Medical Academy Admission Requirements

- 18 years of age
- High school diploma or GED
- Willing to commit 3-4 hours per day (estimated at 20+ hours per week) of study time
- Computer and internet proficiency with home access to consistent, reliable high-speed internet and a reliable, working computer or laptop
- English fluency



Enrollment Process

After completing the Futuro Health enrollment process, students will complete an online enrollment process with BAMA. In the week that classes begin, students participate in a required orientation session.

Tuition/Fees

Futuro Health is prepaying the cost of tuition, student supports, textbooks, course materials and exam costs for all students in 2020. However, the following fees do apply:

- Futuro Health Enrollment fee: \$50 for the Jump Start to Medical Assistant Program
- Membership fee for education and training: \$20 per month

Computer/Skill Requirements

All students will need regular, home access to a computer and high-speed internet. Your computer will need at least a 2GHz processor or faster, 4 GB RAM or more, built-in or external speakers, USB 2.0 port or adaptor, a webcam supported operating system, Windows 7 or higher, or MacOS Sierra 10.12 or higher.

Mentoring & Tutoring Available

• Students are encouraged to seek academic assistance through their instructor and/or the Assistant Director of Educational Programs.

Important Contacts

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