

PMI Jump Start Courses

Founded in Tucson in 1972, Pima Medical institute (PMI) has built a reputation as one of the best medical career colleges in the Western United States. PMI's mission is to improve the quality of people's lives by providing the best value in medical career education. PMI offers certificate, associate and bachelor's degree programs – all in the healthcare field. It also has a robust online learning division. Programs focus on medical, dental and veterinary careers.

Program Overview

Jump Start courses help you begin an education journey online, acquire knowledge common across multiple allied health careers, and improve your candidacy for an education program through Futuro Health. Introduction to the Human Body (Anatomy and Physiology) and Medical Terminology are both required courses for the Medical Assistant Program.

Program Highlights

- PMI offers a fully online anatomy and physiology (4 weeks) and medical terminology class (4 weeks). The program is 100% online, asynchronous format.
- Even though there are not required times you must be online, there are still weekly assignment due dates and participation requirements.
- Medical terminology is offered first, followed by anatomy and physiology.
- You are expected to spend approximately 10-15 hours/week on classroom material and review.

Number of Credits Earned

2 units (1 for anatomy and physiology and 1 for medical terminology)

PMI Admission Requirements

- 18 years of age
- High school diploma or GED
- Willing to commit 3-4 hours per day (estimated at 10-15 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, you will complete an online enrollment process with PMI. In the week before classes begin, you will participate in a 4-6-hour online



orientation. Prior to or during your course, you will also complete an 8-minute Wonderlic assessment which will be used to assess your readiness for the Medical Assistant program.

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 registration fee: \$50 for the Jump Start to Medical Assistant Program
- Membership 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, Chrome OS, or MacOS Sierra 10.12 or higher.

Mentoring & Tutoring Available

- PMI has success coaches to guide you along your educational journey.
- You are encouraged to seek academic assistance through your instructor and/or the online education director.
- PMI provides advising to you on issues involving education and academics.

Important Contacts

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