

TSA Information for Medical Laboratory Technology

Date: December 1, 2019

SAC Prefix and Name: MLT – Medical Laboratory Technology

Name of faculty member responsible for TSA reporting: Teresa Wolfe, Department Chair

Description of TSA(s) in 300 words or less:

TSA performance assessment developed and scored by the MLT department. It is based on the student's clinical rotation practicum work using performance evaluations which are scored using a standard rubric. The clinical supervisor (preceptor) at the affiliation site (hospital, clinic, or other laboratory) evaluates the student using a rubric that is broken up into three parts: cognitive, psychomotor, and affective skills. These domains are set forth by our medical accreditation agency, NAACLS (the National Association for Clinical Laboratory Science).

Maximum score possible: 5 (Outstanding achievement)

Benchmark score (score that "meets expectations" for completing students): 3 (Satisfactory progress)

Clarifying notes: (For example, if students take multiple tests, or repeat tests, what would you consider as meeting expectations? If external exam scores are not available until after June 30, when do you get them?)

Students are required to earn a score of 3 or above on their evaluations during their clinical practicums, as outlined in the MLT student handbook. Students are required to achieve a minimum of 70% for each exam taken and in final course grades to progress to the next level or course in the program. Students that earn less than a 3 on any criteria on the CLP evaluations or less than a 70% on any one exam are required to meet with the CLP instructor and the MLT Program Director for discussion of remediation. Students who earn a minimum of 70% on each exam, a minimum of 70% for a final course grade, and score a 3 or higher on the CLP final evaluation are considered to have met expectations for passing.

Students sign up to take the external exam (through ASCP) during the last half of Spring term during any one academic year. Students are not eligible to take the exam until the day after graduation from PCC, usually the Monday after graduation in June. The MLT department Program Director receives student scores approximately two weeks after the student has taken the exam through a subscription service. Students make take the exam up to 6 months after graduation, so all scores for any one graduating class may not be complete until December of that same year.

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