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Rewarding  
Career in  
Health Care



"The instructors were qualified and very knowledgeable. They created an interesting and inviting learning environment that allowed me to be successful in the program. I'm confident in my ability as a future Medical Laboratory Technologist."

– Jenn Lim, Medical Laboratory Technology 2017

There is an ongoing need for health care professionals and SAIT's School of Health and Public Safety prepares you to excel in your chosen health care career. We offer specialized training in diagnostic and therapeutic technologies, professional assistant programs, information management and training for wellness professionals.

Our instructors and staff are a dynamic team of dedicated and compassionate health care professionals committed to superior patient care practices. We constantly upgrade curriculum, acquire new equipment and adopt new learning methodologies to ensure we are providing relevant, quality health education.

#### **Why choose a SAIT health care program**

- You'll receive practical, hands-on training in modern laboratory facilities. We are leaders in patient simulation education with a state-of-the-art Centre for Advanced Patient Care Simulation.
- All of our programs have a practicum component which integrates theoretical, laboratory and simulation experiences with real work experience under supervision from professionals in the health care field.
- Upon graduating the potential to be hired immediately is very high in many programs.
- Opportunities to participate in international exchanges and service learning projects.
- Your education at SAIT's School of Health and Public Safety will prepare you for job opportunities in health care systems across Alberta, Canada and internationally.
- Many of our programs have formal accreditation from certification and licensing bodies. This ensures our graduates meet provincial and national standards for entry into the professions.

#### **Additional Program Considerations**

- Students with higher secondary or post-secondary marks usually experience greater success in SAIT programs.
- Many of our health care programs receive many more applications than there are seats available.
- Successful applicants must meet additional requirements in many of the programs such as updated immunizations, respiratory mask fit testing and a police information check including vulnerable sector check. Details on specific additional requirements for each program can be found on [sait.ca](http://sait.ca).
- As a student and while working in a health care career you will be required to work with individuals of all genders and sexual orientations, cultures, ages, religions and economic status.
- In many programs you will be expected to serve as a volunteer patient and have learning exercises performed on you by an instructor or other students in the program.
- Students who experience success in our programs have effective communication skills in English.
- Due to the demanding nature of the work in the health care field, and Occupational Health and Safety requirements, the health care field has a strong focus on health and wellness. Students with a medical condition or disability that may impact them in a practicum setting are strongly advised to discuss concerns with the program academic chair and/or SAIT Accessibility Services as soon as possible upon acceptance to the program.

## Financial Matters

### Tuition

The tuition and fees at SAIT vary by program and may increase year to year. The most current tuition, including SAIT fees and Student Association fees can be found in the official fee table online at [sait.ca/fees](http://sait.ca/fees).

### Additional Costs

It is important to consider additional costs when investigating your preferred program. Many of the programs in the School of Health and Public Safety have additional expenses to consider including books, supplies, uniforms and computer requirements. Visit [sait.ca](http://sait.ca) for a complete list of additional expenses to consider.

### Practicum

Practicum is an important part of our programs allowing you to gain hands-on experience in your chosen field. In the event that your workplace experiential learning/practicum is located outside of Calgary or in another province, you are responsible for any fees or relocation costs incurred during your practicum.

## Application Procedures and Process

SAIT application forms must be completed and submitted online with a non-refundable application fee.

October 18 Applications to SAIT begin for Fall session.

May 2 Applications to SAIT begin for Winter session.

Details on the specific selection process, if applicable, for each program can be found online at [sait.ca](http://sait.ca).

## Student Loans, Scholarships and Bursaries

SAIT is proud to offer over \$4 million in awards to students in almost every SAIT program. Awards are available to all qualifying SAIT students in recognition of academic success, financial need, community involvement and much more.

Scholarship and bursary information is available at [sait.ca](http://sait.ca) and [alis.gov.ab.ca/scholarships](http://alis.gov.ab.ca/scholarships).

To learn more about student loans visit [studentaid.alberta.ca](http://studentaid.alberta.ca).

## Learn more about your future career

### Student for a Day

Do you know what program you are interested? Many of our programs offer the opportunity to participate in our student for a day program so you can experience life as a SAIT student before you apply. Contact us to learn more about how to sign up.

Most Student for a Day activities include:

- meeting instructors, students, and staff members from the program you are interested in studying
- sitting in on a real class
- touring the facilities where classes are taught

### Occupational Profiles

The career opportunities in health care are diverse. For detailed information on your different career options, including salary, visit [alis.alberta.ca](http://alis.alberta.ca) to obtain an Occupational Profile.

### Graduate Employment Survey

Explore the graduate employment rate of your chosen profession by viewing the most recent graduate employment survey at [sait.ca](http://sait.ca).

## Interprovincial Agreements

SAIT has a number interprovincial agreements in place that reserve seats in some health programs for applicants who are residents of select provinces. These agreements provide access to training in health disciplines at SAIT to fulfill a provinces ongoing need for trained health care professionals.

Selected interprovincial students complete on campus course work at SAIT and return to their province of residence to complete the clinical workplace experiential placement.

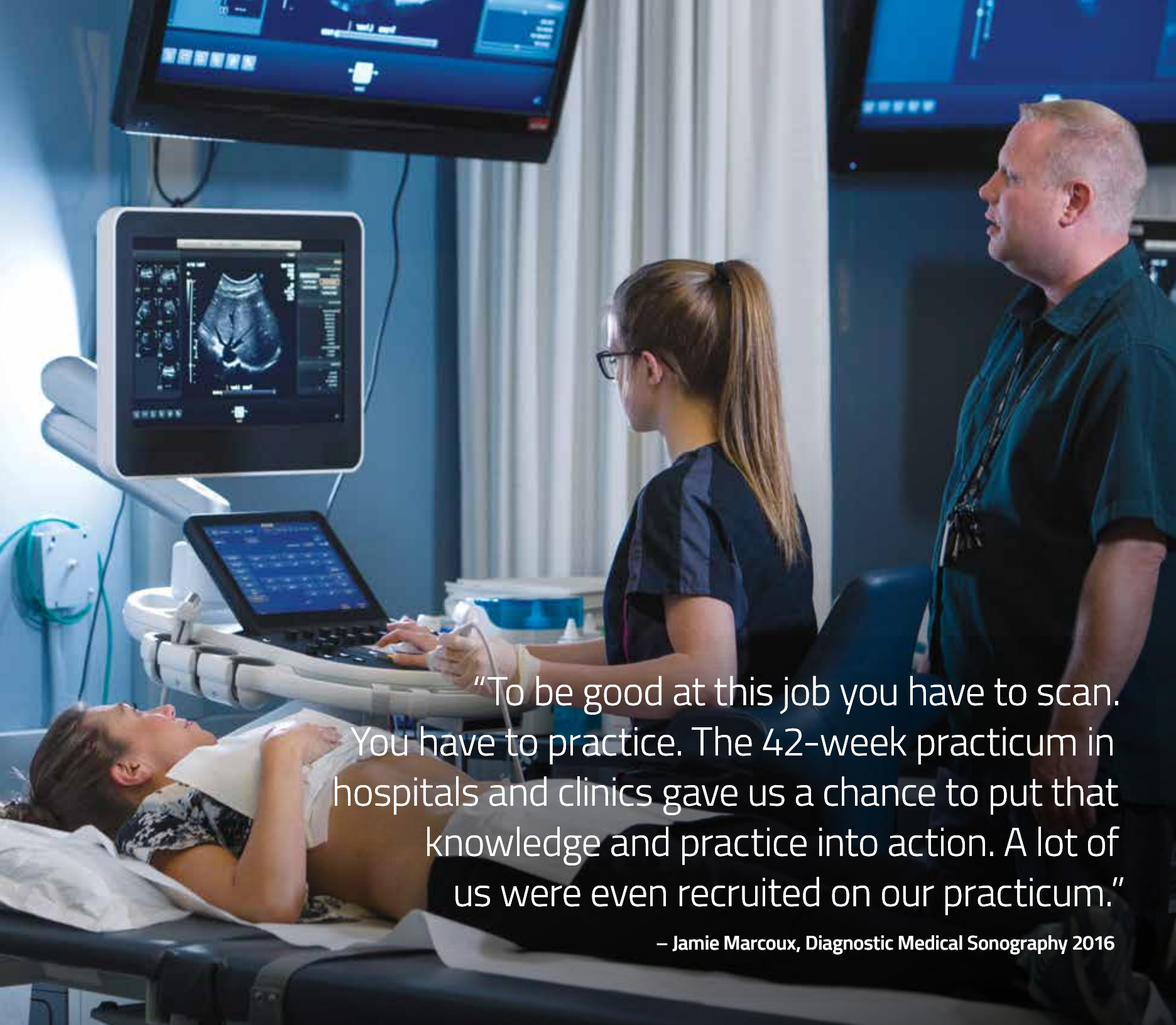
Only residents of the below provinces are considered for the seats set aside in the applicable programs.

### Saskatchewan

- Diagnostic Medical Sonography – 8 seats
- Nuclear Medicine Technology – 4 seats
- Respiratory Therapy – 8 seats

### Manitoba

- Nuclear Medicine Technology – 3 seats



"To be good at this job you have to scan. You have to practice. The 42-week practicum in hospitals and clinics gave us a chance to put that knowledge and practice into action. A lot of us were even recruited on our practicum."

– Jamie Marcoux, Diagnostic Medical Sonography 2016

# Program Information

The programs in the School of Health and Public Safety have additional requirements and expenses to consider.

For complete program details and information visit [sait.ca/health](http://sait.ca/health).

Program	Dental Assisting	Diagnostic Medical Sonography	Emergency Medical Technician	Emergency Medical Technology – Paramedic
	Dental Assistants work to improve oral health in private dental clinics, specialists' offices and community health centres. Students help operate an on-campus Dental Clinic providing supervised dental care to the public. <b>10-month certificate Fall Start</b>	Diagnostic Medical Sonography is a technology that uses high-frequency sound waves to help in medical diagnosis. Students learn to operate ultrasound equipment to produce and record images of different parts of the body. <b>26-month diploma Fall Start</b>	Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) students are taught by experienced paramedics and learn all aspects of prehospital emergency care, including patient assessment, diagnostics, treatment and critical interventions. <b>10-month certificate Fall Start</b>	Emergency Medical Technology – Paramedic (EMT-P) students will become extensively familiar with human anatomy, physiology and pathophysiology, as well as pharmacology and other specialized advanced life support therapies. <b>2-year diploma Fall Start</b>
Admission Process*	A minimum of 98 seats will be offered. <b>Acceptance in order of qualified applications received.</b>	A minimum of 22 seats will be offered. <b>Additional seats are reserved for Saskatchewan residents.</b> <b>Review selection process and criteria at <a href="http://sait.ca">sait.ca</a>.</b>	A minimum of 72 seats will be offered. <b>Review selection process and criteria at <a href="http://sait.ca">sait.ca</a>.</b>	A minimum of 40 seats will be offered. <b>Review selection process and criteria at <a href="http://sait.ca">sait.ca</a>.</b>
Admission Requirements*	Overall average of 60% in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English Language Arts 30-1 or English Language Arts 30-2</li> <li>Math 30-1, Math 30-2, Pure Math 30 or Applied Math 30</li> <li>Biology 30</li> <li>Chemistry 30</li> </ul>	At least 75% in each: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English Language Arts 30-1</li> <li>Math 30-1, Math 30-2 or Pure Math 30</li> <li>Biology 30</li> <li>Physics 30</li> </ul>	At least 50% in each: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English Language Arts 30-1 or English Language Arts 30-2</li> <li>Math 20-1, Math 20-2, Pure Math 20 or Applied Math 20</li> <li>Biology 30 or Science 30</li> </ul> Minimum age 18 by January 1 (second semester of the EMT program) Proof of completion of an Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) certificate by April 30.	50% in each: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English Language Arts 30-1 or English Language Arts 30-2</li> <li>Math 20-1, Math 20-2, Pure Math 20 or Applied Math 20</li> <li>Biology 30 or Science 30</li> </ul> All applicants must have successfully completed an accredited and approved Primary Care Paramedic or an Emergency Medical Technician certificate program.
Student Success	You enjoy working with people in a dynamic environment, have good manual dexterity and have a true desire to help people.	You enjoy working with both people and technical equipment, have good physical stamina, don't mind shiftwork and can handle witnessing unpleasant things if required.	You have a true desire to help people, can handle seeing things that may not always be pleasant, don't mind shiftwork and have good physical stamina.	You have a true desire to help people, can handle seeing things that may not always be pleasant, don't mind shiftwork and have good physical stamina.
Accreditation	Accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada.	Accredited by the Canadian Medical Association.	Accredited by the Canadian Medical Association at the Primary Care Paramedic level and meets the Alberta College of Paramedics core competency requirements.	Accredited by the Canadian Medical Association at the Advanced Care Paramedic level, and meets the Alberta College of Paramedics EMT-P core competency requirements.

\*All applicants to SAIT must demonstrate English Language Proficiency prior to admission, including students educated in Canada.

\*Admission criteria equivalencies will be accepted.

<b>Program</b>	<p><b>Health Information Management</b></p> <p>The Health Information Management program will teach you to analyze and interpret critical medical information necessary to providing quality patient care, while maintaining the security and confidentiality of health information.</p> <p><b>2-year diploma</b> Fall Start</p>	<p><b>Medical Device Reprocessing Technician</b></p> <p>You'll be trained for the critical role of cleaning, packaging, sterilizing, storing and handling of sterile supplies and surgical instruments, with a focus on infection control and aseptic techniques.</p> <p><b>5-month certificate</b> Fall and Winter Start</p>
<b>Admission Process*</b>	<p>A minimum of 24 seats will be offered.</p> <p><b>Review selection process and criteria at <a href="http://sait.ca">sait.ca</a>.</b></p>	<p>A minimum of 30 seats will be offered.</p> <p><b>Review selection process and criteria at <a href="http://sait.ca">sait.ca</a>.</b></p>
<b>Admission Requirements*</b>	<p>At least 60% in each:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English Language Arts 30-1 or English Language Arts 30-2</li> <li>Math 30-1, Math 30-2, Pure Math 30 or Applied Math 30</li> <li>Biology 30</li> </ul>	<p>At least 50% in each:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English Language Arts 30-1 or English Language Arts 30-2</li> <li>Science 20 or Biology 20 or Chemistry 20, or at least 60% in Science 24</li> </ul>
<b>Student Success</b>	<p>You prefer routine and structure, like working with computers, enjoy paying attention to detail and prefer little to no direct patient contact.</p>	<p>You don't mind shiftwork, like working behind-the-scenes, enjoy working with technical equipment and have good physical stamina.</p>
<b>Accreditation</b>	<p>Accredited by the Canadian College of Health Information Management.</p>	<p>Recognized by the Canadian Standards Association (CSA Group).</p>



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Program	Medical Laboratory Assistant	Medical Laboratory Technology	Medical Office Assistant and Unit Clerk	Medical Radiologic Technology
	<p>The Medical Laboratory Assistant program trains students to carry out basic laboratory procedures including collecting, processing and preparing patient specimens, as well as data entry and performing electrocardiograms and urinalysis, with a focus on patient care, infection control and safety.</p> <p><b>5-month certificate</b> Fall and Winter Start</p>	<p>Medical Laboratory Technologists are trained to perform and evaluate diagnostic laboratory tests — a vital role in the treatment and prevention of disease.</p> <p><b>2-year diploma</b> Fall Start</p>	<p>Medical Office Assistant and Unit Clerk students learn the skills necessary to support a health care office, like medical office procedures, medical accounting, physician billing, unit clerk duties and patient scheduling.</p> <p><b>5-month certificate</b> Fall and Winter Start</p>	<p>Learn how to position patients and equipment to acquire images for x-ray, fluoroscopy and computed tomography exams. The images produced are used to diagnose diseases and injuries.</p> <p><b>22-month diploma</b> Fall Start</p>
Admission Process*	<p>A minimum of 32 seats will be offered.</p> <p><b>Review selection process and criteria at <a href="http://sait.ca">sait.ca</a>.</b></p>	<p>A minimum of 48 seats will be offered.</p> <p><b>Review selection process and criteria at <a href="http://sait.ca">sait.ca</a>.</b></p>	<p>A minimum of 61 seats will be offered.</p> <p><b>Review selection process and criteria at <a href="http://sait.ca">sait.ca</a>.</b></p>	<p>A minimum of 40 seats will be offered.</p> <p><b>Review selection process and criteria at <a href="http://sait.ca">sait.ca</a>.</b></p>
Admission Requirements*	<p>At least 50% in each:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English Language Arts 30-1 or English Language Arts 30-2</li> <li>Pure Math 10 or Math 20-2 or at least 60% in Math 10C</li> <li>Chemistry 20</li> <li>Biology 20</li> </ul>	<p>Combined average of 75% and at least 60% in each:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Math 30-1 or Pure Math 30 or at least 70% in Math 30-2</li> <li>English Language Arts 30-1</li> <li>Chemistry 30</li> <li>Biology 30</li> </ul>	<p>At least 60% in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English Language Arts 30-1 or English Language Arts 30-2</li> </ul>	<p>At least 75% in each:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English Language Arts 30-1</li> <li>Math 30-1, Math 30-2 or Pure Math 30</li> <li>Physics 30</li> <li>One of Biology 30 or Chemistry 30 or Science 30</li> </ul>
Student Success	<p>You enjoy working with your hands and with people, like direct contact with patients and don't mind shiftwork.</p>	<p>You have a passion for science, prefer behind-the-scenes work to direct patient contact, don't mind shiftwork and like working with technical equipment.</p>	<p>You enjoy variety in the workplace, prefer a regular work schedule, like working with people and enjoy paying attention to detail.</p>	<p>You enjoy working with people, can handle witnessing unpleasant things, have good manual dexterity and don't mind shiftwork.</p>
Accreditation	<p>Accredited by the Canadian Medical Association.</p>	<p>Accredited by the Canadian Medical Association.</p>	<p>There are no formal accreditation arrangements.</p>	<p>Accredited by the Canadian Medical Association.</p>

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Program	<p><b>Nuclear Medicine Technology</b></p> <p>Learn to use radioactive tracers to diagnose disease and injury. Nuclear Medicine Technologists introduce radioactive substances into the body and specialized equipment maps their distribution in the body.</p> <p><b>2-year diploma</b> <b>Fall Start</b></p>
Admission Process*	<p>A minimum of 20 seats will be offered.</p> <p><b>Additional seats are reserved for Saskatchewan and Manitoba residents.</b></p> <p><b>Review selection process and criteria at <a href="http://sait.ca">sait.ca</a></b></p>
Admission Requirements*	<p>At least 60% in each:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ English Language Arts 30-1</li> <li>▪ Pure Math 30 or Math 30-1 or at least 70% in Math 30-2</li> <li>▪ Chemistry 30</li> <li>▪ Either Biology 30 or Physics 30 or Math 31</li> </ul>
Student Success	<p>You're fascinated by science, are passionate about working with people, have good physical stamina, are technically adept and prefer a regular work schedule.</p>
Accreditation	<p>Accredited by the Canadian Medical Association.</p>

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Program	Nutrition For Healthy Lifestyles	Pharmacy Assistant	Rehabilitation Therapy Assistant	Respiratory Therapy
	Learn to help people make informed decisions about their health and lifestyle. Consultants in nutrition work in corporate or community health and wellness programs, fitness centres, weight management clinics or retail food outlets. <b>8-month certificate Fall Start</b>	Pharmacy Assistants receive and prepare prescriptions, manage inventory and work with the public. Graduates will find work in community-based retail pharmacies in drug stores, supermarkets and department stores. <b>5-month certificate Fall and Winter Start</b>	Learn to help people with disabilities regain their mobility and be active participants in society. The Rehabilitation Therapy Assistant program will train you to become an Occupational Therapist Assistant and Physical Therapist Assistant. <b>2-year diploma Fall Start</b>	Respiratory Therapists work hands-on with physicians — assessing, diagnosing, and treating patients — providing critical services such as cardiopulmonary resuscitation, ventilator management, and a multitude of other advanced respiratory therapies. <b>3-year diploma Fall Start</b>
Admission Process*	A minimum of 30 seats will be offered. <b>Acceptance in order of qualified applications received.</b>	A minimum of 34 seats will be offered. <b>Review selection process and criteria at <a href="http://sait.ca">sait.ca</a>.</b>	A minimum of 40 seats will be offered. <b>Review selection process and criteria at <a href="http://sait.ca">sait.ca</a>.</b>	A minimum of 48 seats will be offered. <b>An additional 8 seats are reserved for Saskatchewan residents. Review selection process and criteria at <a href="http://sait.ca">sait.ca</a>.</b>
Admission Requirements*	Overall average of 60% in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English Language Arts 30-1 or English Language Arts 30-2</li> <li>Math 20-1, Math 20-2, Pure Math 20 or Applied Math 20</li> <li>Either Chemistry 20, Science 20, Physics 30 or Biology 30</li> </ul>	Overall average of 60% in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English Language Arts 30-1 or English Language Arts 30-2</li> <li>Math 30-1, Math 30-2, Pure Math 30 or Applied Math 30</li> </ul>	Overall average of 60% in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English Language Arts 30-1</li> <li>Biology 30</li> <li>Chemistry 20 or Science 20</li> </ul>	At least 60% in each: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English Language Arts 30-1</li> <li>Chemistry 30</li> <li>Biology 30</li> <li>Pure Math 30 or Math 30-1 or at least 70% in Math 30-2</li> </ul> For applicants with English as an additional language, Enhanced Language Training Placement Assessment level 9 in all categories is required.
Student Success	With your passion for food, you wish to help people with healthy food choices. You may start your own business or include nutritional counselling in your current wellness work.	You don't mind shiftwork, enjoy working with people, prefer working in a retail environment, like routine and structure in your work, are able to stand for long periods of time, have strong spoken English and excellent computer skills.	You are compassionate and enjoy working one-on-one with patients, have good physical stamina, good verbal skills, can work with people who have mental or physical limitations and prefer a regular work schedule.	You enjoy helping people, can handle witnessing unpleasant things, work well under pressure, don't mind shiftwork and have good physical stamina.
Accreditation	There are no formal accreditation arrangements.	There are no formal accreditation arrangements.	The Rehabilitation Therapy Assistant Program at SAIT has been accredited by the Occupational Therapist Assistant and Physiotherapist Assistant Education Accreditation Program (OTA and PTA EAP) in collaboration with Physiotherapy Education Accreditation Canada (PEAC) and the Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists (CAOT). The status of Accreditation was granted to the program on April 30, 2016 for the period until April 30, 2022.	Accredited by the Council on Accreditation for Respiratory Therapy Education.



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