

**EDISON COLLEGE**  
**OPHTHALMIC LABORATORY TECHNICIAN**  
**Certificate Code: PSVC OPHT**

The Ophthalmic Laboratory Technician college credit certificate is made possible via an inter-institutional agreement between Edison Community College and Hillsborough Community College (HCC) in Tampa, Florida. Edison Community College offers the general education portion of the degree and assists in the teaching of the vision care courses. The certificate is granted by Hillsborough Community College. The program is delivered via distance learning technology employing the internet, compressed video, and delayed video. Compressed video is a two-way audio/video interaction with one or more remote sites located in classrooms geographically distant from the Edison Community College campus. Delayed video utilizes a live class taught at HCC and replayed for students at the ECC site. The laboratory courses are held in the new Vision Care Laboratory in the Kenneth P. Walker Health Sciences Building.

This program teaches surfacing, finishing and other related tasks necessary to fabricate prescription eyewear. It prepares individuals to work in a wholesale or retail optical laboratory. Graduates may apply all credits from this certificate to the Opticianry Degree.

**NOTE:** This program has not been approved by the Florida Department of Education for transfer to other AS degrees in the State of Florida. It will, however, transfer to Hillsborough Community College's AS degrees. Students should speak to an HCC advisor concerning the transfer of this certificate to another institution.

The Hillsborough Community College Opticianry Program is accredited by the Commission on Opticianry Accreditation.

**COURSE PREREQUISITES:** None

**PROGRAM PREREQUISITES:** None

**CERTIFICATE CORE REQUIREMENTS:**

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|--|-----------|---------------|-------|
| OPT 1000 Ophthalmic Orientation          | 1         | <b>Fall</b>   | _____ |
| OPT 1155 Ophthalmic Lens I               | 3         |               |       |
| OPT 1156 Ophthalmic Lens II              | 3         |               | _____ |
| OPT 1400L Ophthalmic Laboratory I        | 3         |               |       |
| OPT 1460 Ophthalmic Dispensing I         | 3         | <b>Spring</b> | _____ |
| OPT 1460L Ophthalmic Dispensing Lab I    | 3         |               |       |
| OPT 2204 Anatomy & Physiology of the eye | 3         |               | _____ |
| OPT 2500 Contact Lens Theory I           | 3         |               |       |
| OPT 2800L Vision Care Clinical I         | <u>2</u>  | <b>Sum A</b>  | _____ |
| <b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS:</b>               | <b>24</b> | <b>Sum B</b>  | _____ |

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| <b>Academic Advisor</b> | <b>Date</b>           |
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**Any courses taken through the Department of Learning Assistance are non-transferable. These courses include:**

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| REA 9001 | ENC 9010 | MAT 9002 |
| REA 9002 | ENC 9020 | MAT 9012 |
| REA 9003 | ENC 9021 | MAT 9020 |
|          |          | MAT 9024 |