

Vaccination Requirements Academics

The mission of MTI College is to prepare its students with the knowledge, skills, and confidence necessary for pursuing successful careers. For our Medical Students, MTI College has partnered with several well-renowned medical affiliates that provide our students with the opportunity to gain hands-on experience in the students' field of study at a highly respected medical facility.

Required Vaccinations for Medical Students

All Medical Assisting, Phlebotomy and Medical Billing and Coding students must provide proof of all childhood immunizations, including MMR, chicken pox or Varicella vaccine, DTaP and the Hepatitis B vaccination. MA and MA+P students must provide proof prior to starting the Laboratory Assisting II class. MBCP students must provide proof no later than six weeks prior to beginning the externship. In addition, all students must have a negative tuberculosis (TB) screening within 3 months prior to starting an externship. Students with a positive skin test must provide a chest x-ray showing negative results. Additionally, some sites request that students have a flu shot if an externship is scheduled between October and April. Failure to comply on a timely basis may delay a student's graduation date.

Covid Vaccinations

Due to the high risks in contracting COVID-19 in the medical field as a Medical Professional, on August 5, 2021, the California Public Health Officer issued an Order mandating that *all healthcare workers be fully vaccinated against COVID-19*. Similarly, on November 5, 2021, the Federal Government, through the authority of the Secretary of Health and Human Services enacted a mandate, 86 Fed. Reg. 61555¹ (the "Federal Vaccine Mandate"), also requiring all healthcare works to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19. Because Medical Externs are considered healthcare workers of the affiliate externship site, pursuant to *both* state and federal law, externs must all also be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 prior to beginning their externship. Additionally, in compliance with both state and federal law, all of MTI College's medical affiliates *require* externs to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 as part of the medical affiliate's own policies and procedures.

The requirement that all externs be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 is the law for which MTI College has no control. Accordingly, please note that the ability of a Medical Student to obtain an externship with one of MTI College's medical affiliates can be hindered should a student refuse to become fully vaccinated against COVID-19. In the event that a Medical Student cannot complete their externship because the student has refused to become fully vaccinated against COVID-19, the Medical Student will not be able to complete their field of study.

¹ See also *Biden v. Missouri* (2022) _____ U.S. ____ [upholding the Federal Vaccine Mandate as to healthcare workers.]