Medical Laboratory Sciences (MLS) is a profession that combines the challenges of medicine, the basic sciences, and clinical sciences into a highly satisfying and valued career. Medical laboratory scientists function as detectives, investigating and determining the causes of disease. They utilize the latest biomedical instruments and molecular techniques to perform both routine and complex testing.

**ABOUT THE PROGRAM**

The George Washington University (GW) School of Medicine and Health Sciences (SMHS) Post-Baccalaureate Certificate programs in Medical Laboratory Sciences offer students who have previously obtained a bachelor’s degree in an alternate field the opportunity to pursue a career in medical laboratory sciences.

**Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Medical Laboratory Science (48 credits)**
- Completion of the program allows you to sit for the national MLS certification exam
- Completion time: 1 ½ years

**Categorical Certificates**

**Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Blood Banking (16 credits)**
- Completion of the program allows you to sit for the blood banking technologist exam (not the MLS)
- Completion time: 1 year

**Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Chemistry (19 credits)**
- Completion of the program allows you to sit for the chemistry technologist exam (not the MLS)
- Completion time: 1 year

**Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Hematology (18 credits)**
- Completion of the program allows you to sit for the hematology technologist exam (not the MLS)
- Completion time: 1 year

**Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Microbiology (20 credits)**
- Completion of the program allows you to sit for the microbiology technologist exam (not the MLS)
- Completion time: 1 year
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