



About Ultimate Medical Academy

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Overview

Ultimate Medical Academy is a nonprofit healthcare educational institution with a national presence. Institutionally accredited by the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools (ABHES), UMA has more than 45,000 alumni. The school offers content-rich, interactive online courses to 15,000 students as well as campus-based training to hundreds of students.

With a mission to equip and empower students to excel in healthcare careers, the UMA experience includes individualized student services throughout all phases of the student journey, from admissions to the job search. UMA students have access to academic advising, one-on-one or group tutoring, resume and interview coaching, job search assistance, technical support, and more. The school also supports alumni in finding new jobs, progressing in their current positions, and enhancing their skills to remain competitive in the job market.

History

UMA was founded in 1994 in Clearwater, Florida as Ultimate Learning Center, Inc., a nonprofit educational institution serving the Tampa Bay community's need for trained nursing assistants and other healthcare professionals.

Over time, UMA recognized the growing need for trained professionals in other healthcare specialties and employers' needs for multi-skilled staff, so the institution began to offer a wide range of programs focused on developing allied healthcare professionals. In 2009, UMA launched online allied healthcare courses to students throughout the U.S.

Following the launch of the online programs, UMA added a continuing medical education division that now also includes Littleton, Colorado-based Global Education Group, New York City-based Med Learning Group, and Miami-based Complete Conference Management. These divisions create innovative and award-winning programming to maximize the learner experience and, ultimately, improve patient outcomes.

In 2015, Clinical and Patient Educators Association (CPEA), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, acquired UMA. CPEA focuses on developing quality, innovative education for healthcare practitioners and the patient communities they serve.

Governance

UMA is led by Derek Apanovitch, President, and governed by a board of directors comprised of individuals with significant experience in education, medicine, nonprofits, law, and finance. Led by Executive Chair Jane Swift, former governor of Massachusetts, the other members of the board include Darlyne Bailey, Ph.D.; Stephen Burghardt, Ph.D.; Richard J. Friedman; Christopher Hawk, M.D.; Sheila McDevitt; Theodore Polin; and Matthew Wootten.

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Dental Assistant With Expanded Functions

Learn to work with patients and assist with other important duties in a dental office.

Medical Assistant

Learn to work alongside medical staff and provide patients with compassionate day-to-day care.

Nursing Assistant

Work alongside a nurse to provide essential patient care, and get the preparation you need for the Certified Nursing Assistant exam.

Patient Care Technician

Get the skills you need to work alongside physicians and nurses and provide necessary healthcare.

Phlebotomy Technician

Learn how to collect and store blood, and how to support patients throughout this process.

Online Campus

Health and Human Services

Work with different populations to connect them with the health and wellness services they need.

Health Information Technology

Learn to work in the information systems that drive healthcare. This includes contributing to electronic healthcare records and helping to keep them private.

Healthcare Management

Build the skills you need to perform administrative tasks in a medical facility.

Healthcare Technology & Systems

Learn to work with today's healthcare technology systems and understand electronic healthcare records.

Medical Administrative Assistant

Learn how to contribute to the front desk of a medical office through administrative tasks and assisting with billing and coding.

Medical Billing and Coding

Learn how to code medical conditions and procedures, process claims, and bill insurance companies.

Medical Office and Billing Specialist

Find out how to contribute to a front office while also learning about billing and coding.

Pharmacy Technician

Learn to fill prescriptions, assist a licensed pharmacist, and help people as they receive prescribed medications.