

Program requirements

Overview

Dear MLA/T Student,

Congratulations, and welcome to Northern College! I am quite pleased to welcome you to the MLA/T program. Health Science education is challenging, but we are looking forward to helping you reach your academic and career aspirations. To this end, please review the enclosed information in order to prepare for your classroom experiences, laboratory sessions and clinical placements. There are a number of items that require your attention, many of which must be completed prior to beginning your studies. A detailed checklist is provided in this document package.

Experience has shown that the first few months of achievement in Health Sciences programs are critical to the success of each and every student. In an attempt to assist with your preparation for entry into the School of Health Sciences, an orientation will be offered again this year. **Orientation information and schedules will be posted on the Northern College website in August.**

The MLA/T program includes clinical practice hours beginning in the spring semester. In order to protect their clients, their employees and placement students, the agencies that host these placements must ensure that you meet certain requirements prior to attending. **You are responsible for reviewing and completing all of the clinical requirements included in this package and submitting required documents by the indicated deadlines.**

You will also need to purchase some additional items required for laboratory and clinical attendance, as outlined below. Please refrain from purchasing these items until after the program orientation in September as additional details will be presented at that time.

Program	Uniform	Lab Coat	Shoes	Stethoscope	Lab Kit	Approximate Cost
MLA/T	2	x	x	-	-	\$100 - \$200

Once again, welcome to the School of Health Sciences. If we can be of assistance in any way, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are looking forward to meeting you during the orientation session. Have a great summer!

Sincerely,

Daryl Corriveau
Medical Laboratory Technician Program
Coordinator

Contact Information

For general questions contact Northern College's Admissions Office at 1.866.736.5877, or 705.235.7222. You can also email Admissions at admissions@northern.on.ca.

If you have any questions about the contents of this package. Please contact: ncrequirements@northern.on.ca.

MLA/T Program 1st Year Student Clinical Requirements Checklist

Name: _____

- _____ Completed-Immunization and Communicable Disease Testing Requirements¹
- _____ Criminal Reference Check with Vulnerable Person Sector Screen²
(1 original copy required, forward original email to Northern College)
- _____ First/Aid CPR (HCP Level) Certificates
(send certificates to Northern College)
- _____ WHMIS Certificate
(send certificates to Northern College)
- _____ AODA Certificate
(send certificates to Northern College)
- _____ Worker Health & Safety in 4 Steps
(send certificates to Northern College)

Deadlines

¹Please ensure that you keep your originals/ photocopies of requirements as instructed. Documents are to be submitted **prior to February 20, 2026**, to ensure access to clinical placements. Titers for the mandatory immunizations are to be done before classes begin in September.

²Please ensure that you keep your originals/ photocopies of requirements as instructed. Documents are to be submitted prior to **March 13, 2026**, to ensure access to clinical placements.

Dear student:

The following requirements must be met in order to attend clinical placement beginning in the spring semester. Please note that an expectation of the MLA/T program is that every student must obtain and provide this required documentation annually. The documents include the following:

1. Completed **Immunization and Communicable Disease Testing Requirements** - enclosed
2. **Standard First Aid/CPR certification - HCP (Health Care Provider Level)**
 - a) Note: Certification must have been obtained within the current year and must be renewed annually (recertification)
 - b) Courses are offered through Northern College Continuing Education.
3. **WHMIS (2015) certification** - Workplace Hazardous Material Information System (2015) or newer
 - a) Courses are offered at [Northern College Northern Training](#) Division.
 - b) WHMIS certificate obtained through employment is also acceptable; documentation required.
4. **AODA - [Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act](#)**
5. **[Worker Health & Safety in 4 Steps](#)**
6. **Criminal Record Check (CPIC)** including **Vulnerable Sector Screen** - please refer to the information enclosed
7. **Mask Fit** testing
 - a) Will be offered in the winter semester, on campus
 - b) Mask fit testing completed through employment is also acceptable; documentation is required.

****Requirements 1-5 MUST be completed and emailed to Marissa Dean at ncrequirements@northern.on.ca prior to February 20, 2025.**

Requirements 6-7 must be completed and submitted to the same email prior to March 13, 2025. Please keep a copy of all forms, reports and records for your personal files.

Northern College School of Health Sciences P.O. Box 3211 Timmins, ON P4N 8R6 Attention: Marissa Dean, ncrequirements@northern.on.ca	Northern College School of Health Sciences 4715 Hwy. 101 East South Porcupine, ON P0N 1H0 Attention: Jennifer Jaszan, Program Coordinator
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Should you have any questions or require help obtaining any of the listed requirements, please contact Marissa Dean at ncrequirements@northern.on.ca

Failure to meet all requirements will result in denial of access to clinical placements, which will result in failure for the course placement.

Pre-Placement Requirements Checklist

Medical Requirements

Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis	
Documented proof of the primary series.	Met <input type="checkbox"/> Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Last dose within the last 10 years.	Met <input type="checkbox"/> Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Polio	
Documented proof of the complete series of vaccines.	Met <input type="checkbox"/> Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)	
Documented proof of two vaccinations or blood work results showing immunity.	
Vaccination #1	Met <input type="checkbox"/> Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Vaccination #2	Met <input type="checkbox"/> Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Measles Titre result Reactive____ Non-Reactive____	
Mumps Titre result Reactive____ Non-Reactive____	
Rubella Titre result Reactive____ Non-Reactive____	
Blood work showing immunity (if no vaccination records only)	Met <input type="checkbox"/> Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Varicella	
Documented proof of two vaccinations or blood work results showing immunity.	
Vaccination #1	Met <input type="checkbox"/> Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Vaccination #2	Met <input type="checkbox"/> Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Titre result Reactive____ Non-Reactive____	
Blood work showing immunity (only if no proof of 2 vaccinations)	Met <input type="checkbox"/> Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Influenza	
Influenza immunization is not usually available until October and takes 2 weeks to become effective. Therefore, students should obtain the vaccine as soon as it becomes available.	Met <input type="checkbox"/> Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
COVID-19 Vaccination Receipts	
Vaccination #1	Met <input type="checkbox"/> Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Vaccination #2	Met <input type="checkbox"/> Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Booster (Highly Recommended)	Met <input type="checkbox"/> Required <input type="checkbox"/>
Tuberculosis (Mantoux) – 2-Step TB Skin Test (+ 1-Step Test if required)	
Proof of a baseline 2-step TB Skin Test (TST) is required (valid for one year). If 2-Step TST was completed more than 12 months ago, please submit it along with a current 1 step TB test (also only valid for one year). A medical follow-up with chest X-Ray is required if a person has EVER had a documented positive TB Skin Test. Chest X-ray is valid for four years. Skin Tests are not required if you have a valid chest X-ray.	
TB 2 Step Skin Test	Met <input type="checkbox"/> Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
TB 1 Step Skin Test	Met <input type="checkbox"/> Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Chest X-Ray (For Positive Test)	Met <input type="checkbox"/> Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hepatitis B Surface Antibody Serology	
Documented proof of Hepatitis B Surface Antibody blood test results.	Met <input type="checkbox"/> Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Titre result Reactive____ Non-Reactive____	
Hepatitis B Vaccinations	
Proof of the primary series of vaccinations is required if bloodwork does not show immunity. If your serology results show you are not immune, then primary series and/or boosters will be required. You can have up to 3 additional boosters. Blood work will be required after each booster. To obtain conditional clearance you will need to show proof that a booster has been administered.	
Primary Series	Met <input type="checkbox"/> Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Booster	Met <input type="checkbox"/> Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Freedom of Information and Protection of Personal Privacy

Personal information on this form is collected under the authority of the Ministry of Colleges and Universities Act, R.S.O. 1980, c.272, s.5; and the Regulated Health Professions Act, Sec 95 1.19, will be used to ensure students meet minimum health requirements for admission to their clinical facility

Consent for Release of Information

I agree to the release of information about my immunization and communicable disease testing to the placement agencies and appropriate faculty members as required.

Signature: _____

Name (please print): _____

Date: _____

Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Person Sector Check

The Schools of Health Sciences, Community and Emergency Services require successful completion of placements and/or visits in a variety of agencies that may include schools, health, community and social agencies. Students will be working with or have unsupervised access to **vulnerable persons*** while on placement and therefore must complete a satisfactory Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Person Sector Check prior to having direct contact with vulnerable persons.

***Vulnerable persons** are defined by the Criminal Records Act as: “persons who because of their age, disability or other circumstances, whether temporary or permanent, are in a position of dependence on others or who are otherwise at a greater risk than the general population of being harmed by persons in a position of authority or trust relative to them.”

Without a clear Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Person Sector Check, **a placement agency may deny a student access to their premises.**

Medical Laboratory Technician students must provide **an original copy** of their Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Person Sector Check (photocopies will not be accepted). Application **must be completed at your local Police Service**. Policies may vary between Police Services regarding the provision of Criminal Record Checks, and may require a letter stating that the student is enrolled in their program and must be signed by the Associate Dean of Health Sciences and Emergency Services. This letter will be prepared by the college and mailed to each student before July 15th, provided that the student has confirmed their attendance in a Northern College program and paid their seat deposit before July 1st. Students that confirm at a later date will experience a delay in obtaining their letter and must contact the college.

If you do not receive a letter or have any questions or concerns, please contact our program assistant at 705.235.3211 ext. 2187 or by email at riversm@northern.on.ca.

- Medical Laboratory Technician Program - 1 original copy no earlier than March 13, 2026 – forward original email from police service to Marissa Dean at ncrequirements@northern.on.ca (should you receive a printed/stamped version, please forward the original to Marissa Dean)

Any cost incurred when obtaining the [Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Person Sector Check](#) is the student’s responsibility. More information regarding this process can be found at their website.

Important: The Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Person Sector Check are requirements of the school boards, institutions and agencies where students are assigned to complete their placements and are for that purpose ONLY. As such, individual agencies may require updated information prior to commencement of hire.