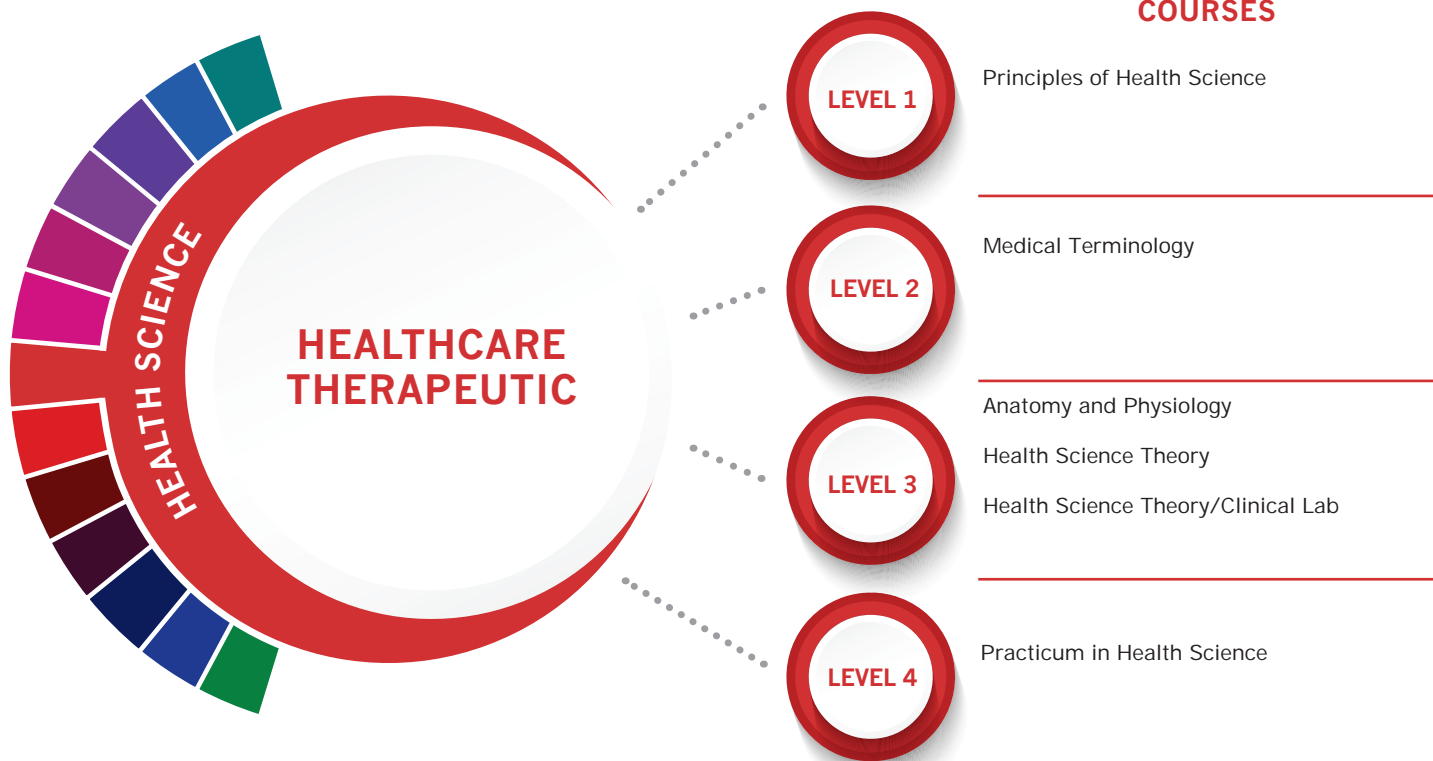


## COURSES



## POSTSECONDARY OPTIONS

HIGH SCHOOL/ INDUSTRY CERTIFICATION	CERTIFICATE/ LICENSE*	ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE	BACHELOR'S DEGREE	MASTER'S/ DOCTORAL PROFESSIONAL DEGREE
Registered Dental Assistant	Dental Assistant	Dental Hygienist		Dentist
Certified Patient Care Technician	Surgical Technologist			Physician Assistant
Certified Nurse Aide/Assistant	Medical Assistant	Medical/Clinical Assistant		Family and General Practitioners
Pharmacy Technician	Pharmacy Aides			Pharmacist

Additional industry based certification information is available from the TEA CTE website.

For more information on postsecondary options for this program of study, visit [TXCTE.org](http://TXCTE.org).

OCCUPATIONS	MEDIAN WAGE	ANNUAL OPENINGS	% GROWTH
Medical Assistants	\$29,598	8,862	30%
Surgical Technologists	\$45,032	1,150	20%
Dental Hygienists	\$73,507	1,353	38%
Physicians and Surgeons	\$213,071	1,151	30%
Dental Assistants	\$34,840	4,422	31%

### WORK BASED LEARNING AND EXPANDED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Exploration Activities:  
SkillsUSA  
Health Occupation Students of America (HOSA)

Work Based Learning Activities:  
Volunteer at a community wellness center, hospital, assisted living, or nursing home.

The Healthcare Therapeutic program of study introduces students to occupations and educational opportunities related to diagnosing and treating acute, episodic, or chronic illness independently or as part of a healthcare team. This program of study also includes an introduction to the opportunities associated with providing treatment and counsel to patients as well as rehabilitative programs that help build or restore daily living skills to persons with disabilities or developmental delays.



The Health Science Career Cluster® focuses on planning, managing, and providing therapeutic services, diagnostics services, health informatics, support services, and biotechnology research and development. To pursue a career in the health science industry, students should learn to reason, think critically, make decisions, solve problems, communicate effectively, and work well with others.

Successful completion of the Healthcare Therapeutic program of study will fulfill requirements of the Public Service Endorsement.  
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