CHEMICAL OPERATOR TECHNICIAN PROGRAM

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The Chemical Operator Technician college certificate program prepares students to work in a variety of well-paying careers. Our graduates will be able to work in manufacturing facilities, such as chemical manufacturing, pharmaceutical manufacturing plants or waste water treatment facilities, where they monitor production processes or act as quality control technicians.

SALARY*

The median annual wage for chemical technicians was $42,920 in May 2012. The median wage is the wage at which half the workers in an occupation earned more than that amount and half earned less. The lowest 10 percent earned less than $26,220, and the top 10 percent earned more than $70,710.

In May 2012, the median annual wages for chemical technicians in the top five industries in which these technicians worked were as follows:

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<th>Industry</th>
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<td>Basic chemical manufacturing</td>
<td>$50,710</td>
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<td>Research and development in the physical, engineering, and life sciences</td>
<td>$48,440</td>
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<td>Pharmaceutical and medicine manufacturing</td>
<td>$43,390</td>
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<td>Colleges, universities, and professional schools; state, local, and private</td>
<td>$41,590</td>
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<td>Testing laboratories</td>
<td>$35,150</td>
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*US Bureau of Labor Statistics

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