

Information

Welcome Pre-Meds!

This document contains information regarding clinical and non-clinical opportunities for:

- Volunteering (Medical/Non-medical)
 - Includes **clinical** experience
- Jobs (Medical/Non-medical)
- Shadowing
- Internships

We define **clinical** as an experience where the participant is involved in direct patient care.

We define **non-clinical** as any experience that does not involve direct patient care, even if it is in a medical setting.

Look at the “Document Tabs” section on the left-hand side of the document for all of the opportunities!

We highly encourage all of you to get involved. Website links and program information are included for each opportunity.

A special note: We have included some opportunities that are not related to medicine, as it is important to have experiences outside of medicine! This not only helps you be a well-rounded applicant, but it also gives you a break from activities that may be specific to the medical setting. Choose an activity you are passionate about and stick to it, even if your volunteer opportunity is not in medicine; remember, that's okay!

We hope you find this document helpful. If you ever have any questions, feel free to reach out at our email (fresnostatepremed@gmail.com).

→ Fill out [THIS](#) google form and tell us what you would like to see on this document!

Sincerely,
The Pre-Medical Club at Fresno State

What is clinical experience?

Clinical Experience Information

What specifically is considered clinical experience? Would working in the hospital as a pharmacy technician be considered clinical experience even though the job lacked patient interaction?

Scott Calvin: In general, when considering whether an experience counts as clinical exposure, consider two questions:

- Does it take place in a clinical setting (that is, in a room where medical services are provided)? A waiting room in a doctor's office is not a clinical setting, but an emergency room (ER), a hospital room, or an examining room is.
- Do you directly provide medical or allied care to a patient? This is the case for some paid positions such as an EMT or a certified nursing assistant, even though the care may take place somewhere which would otherwise not be considered a clinical setting (e.g., in a patient's home).

If the answer to either of those questions is yes, then typically it would be considered a clinical experience. So, for example, handing out water bottles in an ER is generally considered to be clinical experience, but scheduling appointments at a front desk for a doctor's office is not.

Jessica Matzko: Becoming a pharmacy technician can help you demonstrate competencies — like critical thinking skills, oral communication, and adaptability — that are valuable to your future career. The medical team that works to organize and deliver health care is diverse; becoming part of that team helps you speak to the structural challenges that patients and providers navigate, as well as the care and collaboration that make a patient's journey a success. Working as a technician without patient contact probably won't challenge you to develop your bedside manner and build relationships with patients in the way that other roles might. If you accept this position, you should pursue other roles that involve direct patient interaction. This experience will strengthen your communication and empathy skills in the clinical settings where you may someday work as a physician.

[Application Questions Answered from AAMC Advisors](#)

[Five Meaningful Medical Experiences According to the AAMC](#)

[Finding Health Related Volunteer Opportunities from the AAMC](#)

Volunteering (Medical)

VOLUNTEERING (MEDICAL)

~ Fresno

- [Clovis Community Medical Center](#)
 - Volunteer for the available departments seeking additional support. Reference website with position descriptions / application info / contact info
 - **May have opportunity for patient-interaction**
 - CURRENT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:
 - [Courtesy Cart Shuttle](#)
 - Our courtesy cart service is run and operated by volunteers. Drivers pick up patients and guests from parking garages to hospitals, delivering them to appointments and then back to the parking garages. Email volunteerservices@communitymedical.org to apply.
 - [Terry's House](#)
 - Terry's House, located across the street from Community Regional Medical Center, is a home away from home for families of critical care patients — a place where they can eat, sleep and recharge, helping them stay strong for their loved one in the hospital.
 - Terry's House has a large need for volunteers to fill a variety of roles. If you're interested in becoming a volunteer and want more details, please visit [Terry's House volunteer page](#), where you can find details about open positions and submit an application form.
- [Hinds Hospice](#)
 - Provide companionship and support to hospice patients by sitting with them at bedside. Additionally, volunteers give caregivers a break by spending time with their family members.
 - **Patient interaction**
 - Call (559) 317-6016 to apply
- [Saint Agnes Medical Center](#)
 - Volunteer for one of the many positions/departments at the hospital. Reference website with position descriptions / application info / contact info
 - CURRENT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES BY DEPARTMENT
 - Cardiac Rehab
 - Cardiovascular ICU (CVICU) Desk
 - Cardiovascular Waiting Room
 - Emergency Waiting Room
 - Hospice Program
 - Music Therapy
 - Outpatient Surgery North
 - Patient and Family Advisory Council (PFAC)
 - Patient Escort
 - Pre-Op and Surgery
 - Telemetry
 - **May have opportunity for patient-interaction**

- **(Some weekend opportunities)**
- If you're interested in any of the opportunities above or would like more information about them, call Volunteer Services at (559) 450-5261 or email Volunteering@samc.com.
- [Saint Agnes Hospice](#)
 - Provide companionship and support to hospice patients. Volunteers can engage in activities such as reading, playing music, or listening to the patient's stories and providing a comforting presence.
 - **Patient interaction**
 - **(Volunteering can be done on weekends)**
 - To apply, fill out the google form at the bottom of [this page](#).
- [SJV Free Medical Clinic/Needle Exchange](#)
 - Volunteer for the needle exchange clinic (**interact with patients, shadow, and interact with physicians**). The clinic aims to improve the safety, health care and welfare of injection drug users by providing them with free health care, substance use disorder treatment and social services.
 - **(Volunteering can be done on weekends)**
 - Email drlasher@freeclinic-exchange.org to volunteer at the Needle Exchange Clinic/Free Medical Clinic
- [Valley Children's Hospital](#)
 - Volunteer for one of the many positions/departments at the hospital. Reference website with position descriptions / application info / contact info
 - (**There are no current volunteer position openings, but keep checking every month if you are interested**)
 - **May have opportunity for patient-interaction**
 - **(Volunteering can be done on weekends)**

~ Visalia

- [Kaweah Health](#)
 - Volunteer for one of the many positions/departments at the hospital. Reference website with position descriptions / application info / contact info
 - CURRENT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES BY DEPARTMENT
 - Inpatient Medical Units
 - Maternal Health
 - Emergency Department
 - Clinical Research
 - Information System Services
 - Human Resources
 - Finance
 - Marketing/Social Media
 - Welcome Desks
 - Patient Experience

- And many more
- **May have opportunity for patient-interaction**
- Apply using [this link](#)

~ Hanford

- [Adventist Health](#)
 - Volunteer for one of the many positions/departments at the hospital. Reference website with position descriptions / application info / contact info
 - CURRENT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES BY DEPARTMENT
 - Ambassador
 - Welcomes patients and visitors and helps them feel comfortable in the following areas: inpatient units, lobbies, medical offices, surgery waiting areas, Birth Centers, Emergency Rooms and many others.
 - Gift Shop Clerk
 - Helps customers choose the right gift for their loved one in our Gift Gallery or ABC shops at Adventist Health Hanford.
 - Crafters
 - Sew, knit and stitch boutique and holiday items for patients and annual fundraising events.
 - Therapy
 - This volunteer opportunity is designed for individuals seeking a health care career in the areas of Physical, Occupational and Speech Therapies. Volunteering in our settings will provide a broad experience in both the inpatient and outpatient settings, and will assist in fulfilling the volunteer hours required by most university professional therapy programs.
 - Hospice
 - Provide companionship and support to patients and families. Required specialized training will be provided.
 - Storycatchers
 - Interview patients and write a brief story about their lives for their families and other healthcare team members.
 - **May have opportunity for patient-interaction**
 - Submit an application [here](#)

Volunteering (Non-Medical)

VOLUNTEERING (NON-MEDICAL)

*most opportunities can be done on weekends too!

- [Central California Food Bank](#)
 - Assist with boxing, bagging, and sorting food items for distribution
- [Central California Blood Center](#)
 - Volunteer for one of their several departments
 - Reference website for position descriptions, contact info, and application
- [Poverello House](#)
 - Prepare and serve emails for those in need
- [Valley Animal Center](#)
 - Volunteer for one of their several departments
 - Reference website for position descriptions, contact info, and application
- [Salvation Army](#)
 - Volunteer at the food pantry
- [Fresno Mission](#)
 - Serve food and volunteer at the thrift store
- [Beautify Fresno](#)
 - Help clean up certain areas in Fresno through a group effort
- [Shinzen Japanese Garden](#)
 - Volunteer for one of the garden's several positions
 - Reference website for position descriptions, contact info, and application
- [Step-Up Tutoring \(Virtual\)](#)
 - Provide virtual tutoring to 3rd-6th graders in California
 - Lengthier onboarding process—reference website for application/contact info

Shadowing Opportunities

SHADOWING

- [Valley Children's](#)
 - Reference website for application/contact information
 - IMPORTANT: If you do not already know a physician who works at Valley Children's, you will be placed to shadow a nurse at your department of choice. If you know a physician and they are willing to let you shadow them, please write this in the email when you submit your application
 - **Even if you do not know a physician, we highly encourage you to apply regardless! Nurses are a great point of contact and will connect you with amazing doctors who can be willing to let students shadow!
 - Email: recruiting@valleychildrens.org

**Networking is also very important in order to build connections with physicians. When events such as "Dinner with Docs" come up at Fresno State, be sure to attend! The more you put yourself out there, the more physicians will recognize your passion and will be willing to help

Doctors to Shadow

1. **Name:** Dr. Mohammad Shaikh
Speciality: General Surgeon
Hospital: Clovis Community Hospital
Email: mfshaikh@proton.me
Phone Number: 949-697-6400

2. **Name:** Dr. Farah Karipineni
Speciality: Endocrine Surgeon
Hospital: Community Regional Medical Center & UCSF-Fresno
Email: holafarita@gmail.com

Jobs (Medical)

MEDICAL JOB OPPORTUNITIES

ABBREVIATIONS:

CRMC= Community Regional Medical Center

CCMC= Clovis Community Medical Center

Scribes

- No prior experience needed, and does not require certifications!
- Excellent opportunity for shadowing and making connections with physicians
- **GENERAL DESCRIPTION:** Scribes document physician-patient interactions that occur in real time, allowing physicians to focus on patient care.

- Saint Agnes
 - Actively look on [Vituity](#) for position openings!
- CCMC
 - Actively look on [Vituity](#) for position openings!
- [UCSF Scribes at CRMC](#)
 - Actively look on [Vituity](#) for position openings!

Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)

- Class/Certification may be needed
- Direct patient interaction—literally saving lives!!
- **GENERAL DESCRIPTION:** Provide immediate, basic emergency care to patients at the scene of an incident and during transport to a hospital.

- [FRESNO STATE EMT CLASS](#)
 - Fills up incredibly quickly—you need to be on the lookout!
- [Fresno City College EMT Class](#)
- [Alert Medical Training EMT Course](#)
- [American Ambulance EMT Course](#)

Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA)

- Class/Certification may be needed
- Direct patient interaction!!
- **GENERAL DESCRIPTION:** Provide basic direct patient care under the supervision of registered nurses (RNs) and licensed practical nurses (LPNs).

- [Pacific Health Education CNA Program](#)
- [Fresno Adult School CNA Program](#)
- [Sisu Care CNA Classes](#)

Phlebotomist

- Class/Certification may be needed
- Direct patient care!!
- **GENERAL DESCRIPTION:** collect blood samples from patients through venipuncture, finger pricks, or heel pricks for diagnostic testing, blood transfusions, research, and donations
- [Fresno City College Phlebotomy Class](#)
- [Phlebotomy Training Specialists Class](#)
- [CAL Regional Phlebotomy Program](#)

Medical Assistant (MA)

- May require certification, but not always if the location is willing to train you. *Dependent on state laws*
- Experience with clinical/admin skills!
- **GENERAL DESCRIPTION:** support healthcare providers by managing patient records, scheduling appointments, and handling billing while also taking vital signs, collecting specimens for lab tests, preparing patients for exams, assisting during procedures, and administrations
- [Fresno City College Medical Assistant Program](#)
- [CAL Regional Medical Assistant Class](#)

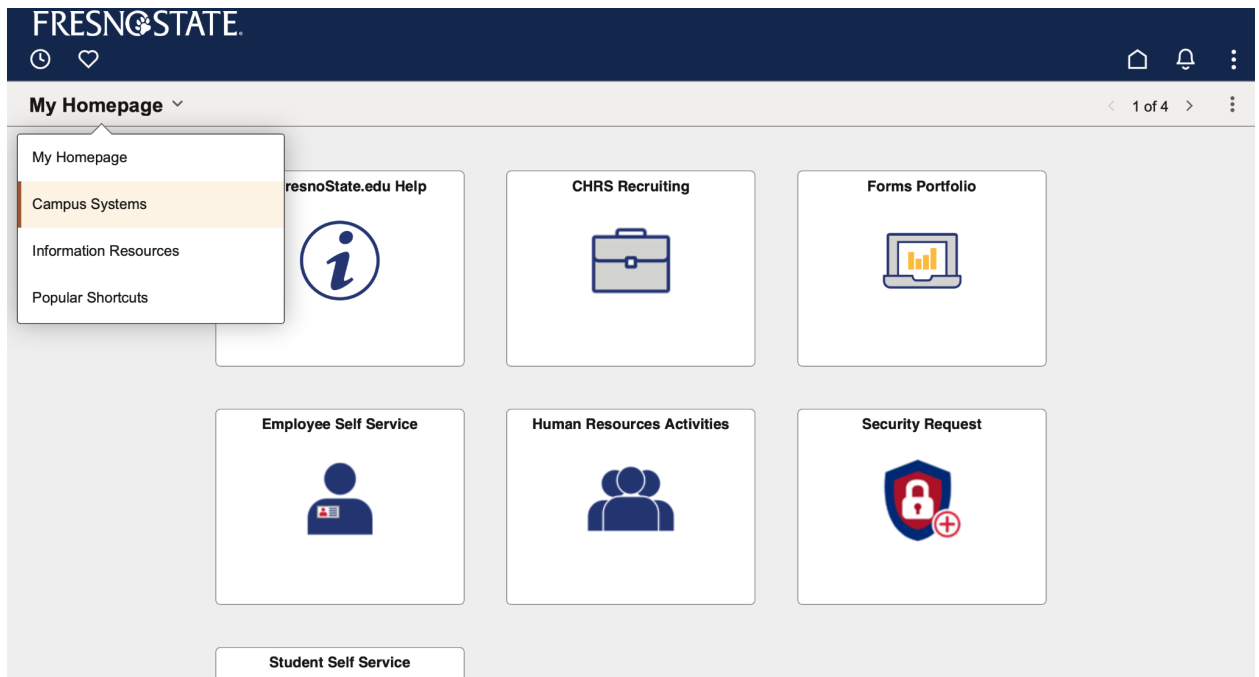
EKG Technician

- May require certification
- Gain experience in cardiology!
- **GENERAL DESCRIPTION:** Perform diagnostic tests to monitor a patient's heart, preparing patients for Electrocardiograms (EKGs) and stress tests, applying electrodes, operating EKG machines to record heart activity, and ensuring data quality.
- [Fresno City College EKG Training Program](#)
- [Fresno Pacific University EKG Training ONLINE Program](#)
- [CAL Regional EKG Training Program](#)
- [California School of Health Sciences EKG Training Program](#)

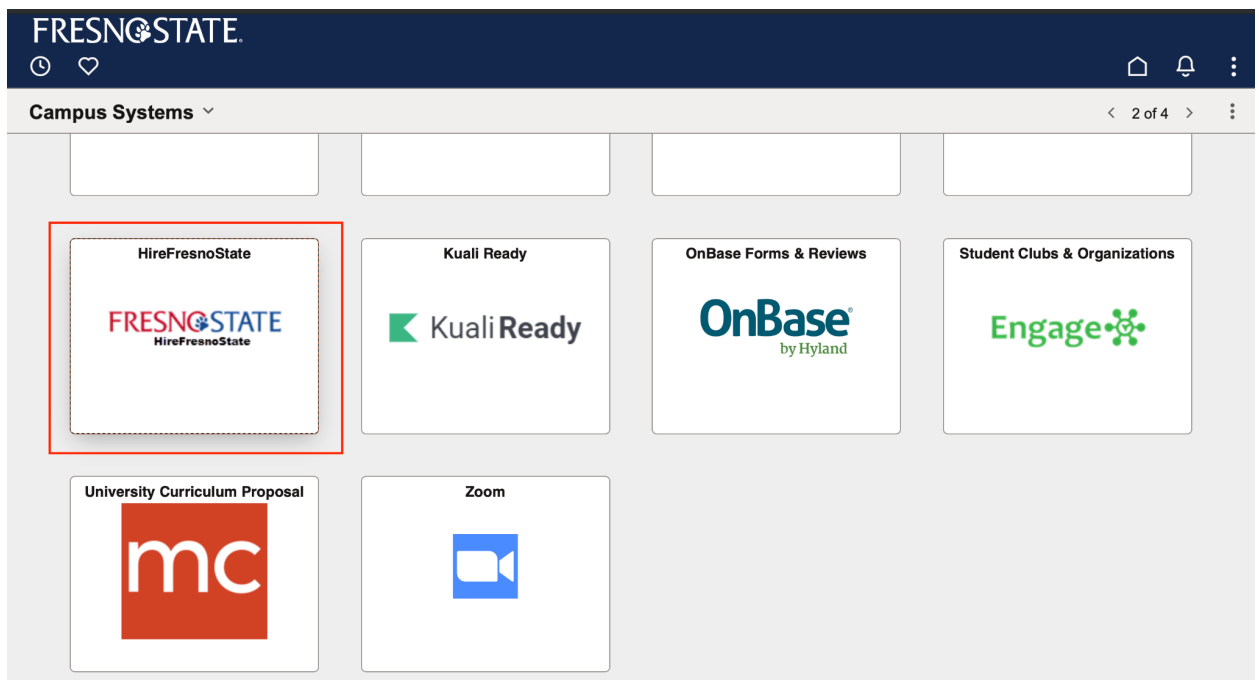
Jobs at Fresno State

FRESNO STATE JOB OPPORTUNITIES

1. Go to your “My Fresno State Portal”
2. Click on “Campus Systems”



3. Click on “Hire Fresno State”



4. On the left-hand side, click “Job Search”
5. Under “Key Words” type “Fresno State.” This will filter out job opportunities on campus!

- My Profile >
- Job Search >
- Job Search
- Hotlist
- Applications
- Saved Searches & Agents
- Events >
- Companies >
- Internship Records >
- Internship Reporting >
- Offer Comparison Dashboard
- Test Video Meeting
- Interviews >
- Advising >
- Activity Calendar
- Home
- Refresh

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Job Type

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Job Location

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Keyword(s)

Fresno State

Preferences

Include Expired Jobs

Include OCR

Search

More Filters >

Save Filter

Clear Filters

Sort By Deadline Date

Results (13/225)

Hotlist (0)

Applications (1)

Trolley Manager



Posted Date
Apr 29, 2025
Organization
City of Fresno Personnel
Services Department

Library Student Assistant -
Circulation Department



Posted Date
Feb 2, 2026
Organization
Fresno State Library

Bulldog Bowl Student
Assistant



Posted Date
Jan 26, 2026
Organization
Fresno State - Student
Involvement

Internships

INTERNSHIPS

*These are clinical, public health, research, and medical internships!

- ☐ [HCC Internship](#)
- ☐ [Seattle children's summer scholars program](#)
- ☐ [UC Irvine Summer Institute in Neuroscience Program](#)
- ☐ [Carle Illinois College of Medicine REACH Program](#)
- ☐ [Sanford Program for Undergraduate Research](#)
- ☐ [UCD Undergraduate Summer Program \(MCHC/RISE-UP\)](#)
- ☐ [Wake Forest Center for Precision Medicine Summer Research Internship](#)
- ☐ [Colombia Summer Public Health Scholars Program](#)
- ☐ [Children's hospital of Colorado child health research internship](#)
- ☐ [APAICS Congressional Summer Internship](#)
- ☐ [UCSF Summer Research Training Program](#)
- ☐ [The summer research early identification program](#)
- ☐ [UCSF APP Internship](#)

**If you make a NSF account, you will be able to access a list of several research internships that may be of medical/clinical relevance too!