

ASCP (MT and MLT certifications)

If interested in the ASCP certification (not ASCPⁱ), please see the following on experience requirements. Most foreign applicants apply through route 4 of MT or route 4 of MLT because these routes require experience instead of a NAACLS program. (NAACLS programs are ONLY located in the United States).

1. I assume that you are interested in taking either the MT or MLT ASCP exam. First you must determine if you are **eligible**. Eligibility routes for the exam you choose can be found here.
http://www.ascp.org/Certification/CertifyingExaminations/cert_procedures/eligibility/default.aspx
2. ASCP applicants that are from foreign countries typically apply under **Route 4 of MT or Route 4 of MLT**. This is because this route requires experience instead of a NAACLS program- NAACLS programs are ONLY located in the United States. If you plan to come to the US, and enroll in a NAACLS program, you may be eligible under **Route 1 of MT or Route 1 of MLT** after you have successfully completed the program. Please examine the eligibility routes for these categories closely. And decide which route you would apply under.
3. Your **transcript evaluation** must be completed by one of the approved companies on the list at this link:
http://www.ascp.org/Certification/CertifyingExaminations/cert_procedures/foreign/foreign.pdf
Transcript evaluation must include a statement of equivalency and a subject breakdown.
4. See the following regarding obtaining **experience outside of the USA. Experience Requirements (ASCP):**
Foreign medical technology clinical training program are recognized as equivalent to one year of full time clinical laboratory experience obtained in the United States and may be applied toward one of the five (5) years required for eligibility for the MT examination or three (3) years required for the MLT examination (provided the training was completed within the last ten years).

The other four years of acceptable clinical laboratory experience for the MT examination or the other two years of acceptable clinical laboratory experience for the MLT examination must be completed in the United States, Canada or a CAP/JCAHO/AABB accredited laboratory. For all other examination categories, experience must be completed in the United States, Canada or in a CAP/JCAHO/AABB accredited laboratory.

Experience must be obtained in each of the following areas: Blood banking, Microbiology, Hematology, Immunology, Chemistry, Clinical Microscopy.

You must determine if your laboratory experience will be counted. **Most international applicants require additional experience in the US before they meet the eligibility requirements.** Please read this section carefully.

5. **Reference Form/Letter of Authenticity-** If applying through route 4, you must submit a completed reference form and letter of authenticity. Reference forms can be found at the following:
MT:
http://www.ascp.org/Certification/CertifyingExaminations/cert_procedures/reference/mt_2_3_4.pdf
MLT:
http://www.ascp.org/Certification/CertifyingExaminations/cert_procedures/reference/mlt_4.pdf

Ensure your eligibility before applying. Application fees are not refunded.

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