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ADOPTED – BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
MARCH 6, 2025

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION
APPLICATION FOR NEW DEGREE PROGRAM
MEDICAL LABORATORY ASSISTANT
BASIC CERTIFICATE
THE OFFICE OF ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS
MALCOLM X COLLEGE

WHEREAS, new educational programs require approval of the Board of Trustees of Community College District 508 and the Illinois Community College Board (ICCB) and

WHEREAS, an application for approval of the City Colleges of Chicago Medical Laboratory Assistant, Basic Certificate has been received and appropriately reviewed/is under review by the Joint Curriculum Development Council for submission; and

WHEREAS, the Medical Laboratory Assistant (MLA) Basic Certificate program at Malcolm X College will build upon the existing Phlebotomy program and the newly approved Medical Laboratory Technician AAS program in The School of Health Sciences and Career Programs by providing the opportunity for Phlebotomists to earn an additional certificate in the Medical Laboratory profession as a Medical Laboratory Assistant Associate to perform basic diagnostic laboratory testing; and

WHEREAS, labor market data shows strong demand for Medical Laboratory Assistants, with 265 unique job postings in Cook County in 2024 with a median advertised salary of \$37,400 (Lightcast).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Community College District No. 508, County of Cook and State of Illinois, hereby approves the submission of this program for permanent approval by the Illinois Community College Board, pending completion of Proposed Academic Curriculum Changes (PACC) process per Academic Policy 9.02.

March 6, 2025 – The Office of Academic and Student Affairs