

# PRESIDENT'S & HONORS LISTS

Congratulations to the following full-time students who achieved honors for quarters finished February 8 - April 16.

## PRESIDENT'S LIST

Alexandra Adams	Brittany Downs	Chris Illar	Natalee Mitchell	Amber Saunders
Kurt Albright	TaNeshia Downs	Angela Jackson	Louzetta Moore	Jane Schultz
Audrey Alexander	Maja Drane	Nikeshia Jackson	Brittany Neben	Tracey Seay
Chalis Alexander	Rhonda Dum	Kimberly Jenkins	Dana Newton	Jessica Shelman
Lisa Arnold	Selena Duncan	Laquetta Jenkins	Jessica O'Brien	Darlene Shoulders
Chauncey Austin	Coleen Edwards	Amanda Johnson	Estelle O'Dowd	Felicia Simpson
Sabrina Baker	Janice Ellis	Zhasheika Jones	Kathy Onsager	Brandy Smith
Cathy Barnett	Janice Epps	Edna Kampe	Kristina Onsager	Dana Smith
Julia Barnett	Timothy Fenwick	Megan Kellem	Wilhelmina Patrick	Davina Smith
Curtis Bass	Mary Figg	Sandra Kennedy	Tina Peklenk	Jennifer Smith
Alisha Bates	Leslie Finch	Stephen Kester	Yvonne Pennington	Kimberly Smith
Angela Bauer	Aleshia Flanagan	Megan King	Denise Phegley	Ladonna Smith
Deja Beresford	Kyle Florkey	Tanya King	Nicole Pierce	Maggie Smith
Danielle Bishop	Atavia Ford	Jeanette Lavender	Melinda Pike	Sara Smith
Whitney Bramblett	Jenna Freudenberger	Eugenia Lay	Lisa Pino-Ricano	Lauren Soto
Heather Branham	Shela Fuentes	Judy Leake	Ashley Pipes	Laura Stovall
Karla Brightwell	Rebecca Fulner	Krystal Light	Tiffany Pleasant	Christina Suff
Erinn Briner	Catherine Garner	Veleska Lipford	Delfina Ponce	Misty Sullivan
Kendra Bruther	Apryl Graham	Tabitha Lister	Jasmine Presley	Kerry Summers
Cheresa Burks	Jody Gray	Carolyn Lockard	Heather Presswood	Shanna Sweeney
Mayra Calderon	Jaleesa Green	Jacquelyn Locke	Lauren Priestap	Tiffany Thompson
Candice Carpenter	Theresa Griffiths	Melissa Logsdon	Cara Raisor	Kimberly Tingle
Jody Casey	Bethany Gullett	Candace Loudon	Courtney Ranalli	Sheila Todd
Nora Casey	Heather Haines	Jennifer Lovelace	Tonya Ray	Renae Turner
Angela Chhetri	Zulema Harbers	Kendra Maclean	Elizabeth Rayman	Stephanie Uphold
Fawn Childers	Eboney Harding	Allyson Marcum	Gloria Restrepo	Michelle Vangilder
Jennie Clayton	Milissa Hargrove	Christy Martin	Angela Reynolds	Andrea Ward
Anieka Clemons	Rachael Harless	Melissa Marvel	Annette Reynolds	Cynthia Washington
Melissa Clifford	Jamie Harris	Andrea Mason	April Ricketts	Sheila Weihe
Angela Coffee	Jeanette Harrison	Kim Mattingly	Ember Riddle	Priscilla Westmoreland
Brittiany Coley	Rhonda Hernandez	Melissa Mattingly	Susan Roberts	Antwan Wigginton
Jamie Combs	Shannon Hightower	Ebony McAfee	Tina Robinson	Antoinette Williams
Heather Cooley	Kelley Hoff	Susan McCormick	Brook Rose	Pamela Williams
Michael Couch	Dana Holley	Mary Jane McCrady	Cheryl Roux	Della Wilmoski
Jennifer Cox	Christina Houghton	Kristy McKenzie	Brittaney Royalty	Alexia Woods
Sametha Cunningham	Gavin Howard	Jennifer Medley	Kathy Rubio	Sherry Yarbrough
Laneshia Davis	Reena Humphry	Kara Mercedes	Whitney Rutledge	Lisa York
Gregg Dedmon	Estella Hunter	Doris Merrifield	Jessica Samartino	Ellen Young
Joseph Degrella	Tiffany Hutchens	Debbie Michum	Lawrence Samsom	Rachel Zetko
Melissa Dettlinger	Heather Hye	Ashley Mitchell	Ruth Satterly	Robin Zirnheld

## HONORS LIST

Ashlee Allen	Krystol Ferguson	Josh Kmecheck	Latanya Montgomery	Markesha Smith
Brooke Ashley	Jason Fritz	Tamisha Lassiter	Christy Morris	Nicole Smith
Scott Atwood	Karen Garner	Nicole Lawrence	Tabbatha Moseley	Porsché Smith
Casey Baker	Jessica Gordon	Erin Lawson	Tracey Nichols	Caitlin Smitha
Ellen Ballard	Lindsey Gordon	Cheyenne Leavell	Sarah Norris	Tiffany Snider
Ashley Barnett	Carla Gray	Gayla Liddle	Stephanie Peebles	Glenna Sparkman
Andrea Barzee	Dalinda Hajost	Stephanie Lucas	Sondra Pendergrass	Kendra Spencer
Tremika Beaudoin	Chaz Hall	Lauren Maggard	Lynneisha Porter	Wesley Stein
Ratonya Blue	Kim Hall	Marcie Mahuron	Samantha Porter	Sherell Stenson-Burt
Cortney Brown	Ruth Hall	Vesna Mandic	Ginny Puckett	Tillery Stewart
JaNita Buntin	Stephanie Hankins	David Martin	Pamela Rader	Angela Stoffer
Amber Burton	Christa Harris	Jennifer Martin	Sara Rishel	Brian Terry
Hectgor Carballo	Terry Harris	Jasmina Masic	Lenice Roberson	Gina Thompson
Erica Chavez	Vanessa Harrod	Crystal Mason	Elindia Robinson	Alexis Tucker
Crystal Clark	Jaclyn Hedden	Chantel McAtee	Rachel Roller	Tacara Wheeler
Tanyetta Dillon	Erin Helm	Trish Medlin	Megan Scholl	Ladale Wilkins
Kathleen Dobson	Latoya Jackson	Larinda Mendez	Heather Sexton	Michelle Wilson
Grace Eniojukan	Gwendolyn Jones	Christina Miller	Margie Shipley	Christy Wright
Alonso Espinosa	Patsy Kilbert	Kendra Miller	Suzanne Sims	Wendi Wright
Felicia Farmer	Crystal Kilgore	Shannon Miller	Acacia Smith	

# CAREER COURIER

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## PRESIDENT'S PEN



As most of you know by now, the health care industry is changing as a result of the Health Care Reform Bill, which passed the

senate last month. We want you to know that we are on top of it and in this issue we're providing a user-friendly look at what the bill might mean for you professionally and personally.

We look forward to what is ahead - new programs, campus improvements and more students like you who have made the important decision to pursue a career in health care.

Keep your eye on your goal - you're definitely moving in the right direction.

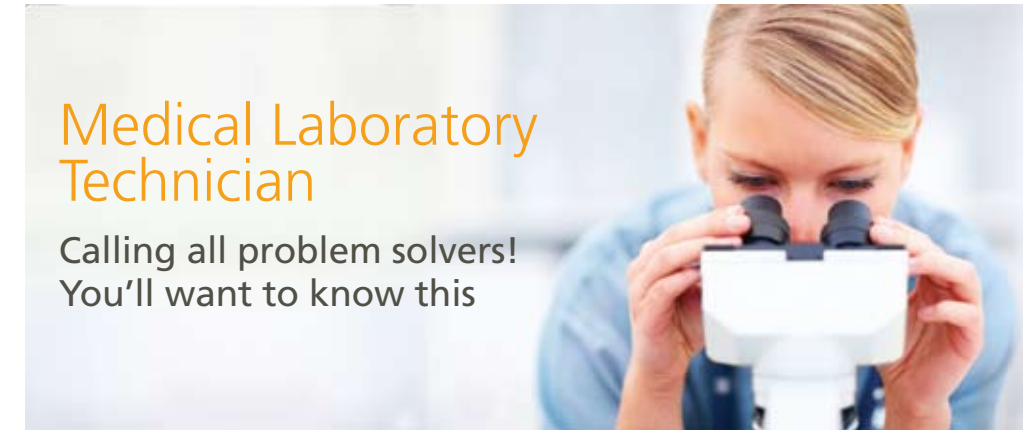
Have a great session,  
Don Jones, *ATA President*



## PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

### Medical Laboratory Technician

Calling all problem solvers!  
You'll want to know this



ATA is pleased to announce that we've added a new program to our extensive list of allied health course offerings – **Associates of Applied Science Degree Medical Laboratory Technician**. Slated to begin in June, the program recently received state approval as well as accreditation by Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools.

Coursework completed in ATA's Medical Lab Technician program will prepare graduates to collect, process and analyze patient samples. Students will get hands-on practice in a new, fully automated lab currently being built on campus, a replica of an actual, fully automated clinical lab. Students will also participate in externships, giving them experience as lab generalists and enabling them to work in all areas of a clinical lab.

According to the US Bureau of Labor Statistics, job opportunities for medical lab technicians are excellent and expected to increase 14% over the next eight years. As the number of patients seen within physicians' offices, hospitals and other health care facilities increases, the number and type of lab tests performed follows suit.

So, if you're a stickler for details and enjoy solving problems, this may just be the degree for you! For more information about ATA's new MLT program, speak with your admissions representative or call 371-8330.

## Relay for Life

5.21.2010 – 5.22.2010

Team ATA is now forming! Join us as we help raise money & awareness in the fight against cancer. Call 371-8330 x0 for more info.



## Need to Know

### Scrubs Central

ATA Students receive 20% off at two area Scrubs Central locations:

20% OFF

4600 Shelbyville Rd., Louisville, KY  
897-3626  
:: Next to Circuit City

3127 Blackiston Mill Rd., New Albany, IN  
941-7278

:: Corner of Charlestown & Blackiston Mill Rd. 1/2 mile south of I-265.

### Referral Program

Refer a friend to ATA and you could win a \$25 gas card. See admissions reps for more details!

### Class Attendance

Please remember that you are expected to attend every class for which you are scheduled. If you accumulate absences totaling more than 20% of the scheduled class meetings, you could be removed from the class. If for any reason you are unable to attend, please call **Brittany Becht @ 371.8330 x365**.

### UPS Delivers Education



For more information about our tuition reimbursement partnership with UPS, please call UPS Jobline at 502-359-1877 or visit [www.upsjobs.com](http://www.upsjobs.com).

### Resource Room

A Resource Room for students is located in room E308 on the east campus. Please feel free to do homework, research or use the computers in that space anytime during school hours.

### RideShare

There are forms available on the bulletin boards in the break rooms of both campuses if you are interested in rideshare with fellow students. For more information, contact **Front Desk @ 371.8330 x0**

### Free Computer Workshop

ATA offers free computer workshops every Thursday at 1:00pm and 4:00pm. Topics include: Internet research, Microsoft Excel, PowerPoint and troubleshooting. Questions? **Contact Brittany Becht @ 371-8330 ext. 365 to sign up.**

### Free Tutoring

Need some help with coursework? We understand everyone needs a little help sometimes, so we offer free tutoring.

**Contact Brittany Becht @ 371.8330 x365**

## HEALTH CARE REFORM GUIDE

Last month a monumental health care overhaul was set in motion when President Obama signed the Health Care Reform Bill. No doubt there will be changes to the health care system and no doubt you have questions about how this will impact you as a future health care worker *and* as a consumer. Here's a user-friendly look at the bill:

### WHAT IT MEANS FOR ME AS A HEALTH CARE WORKER:

- More than 30 million uninsured Americans will become insured
- Demand for more health care workers will continue to increase
- Changes will not happen overnight, but will be phased in over a 10 year period
- Major coverage expansion begins in 2014

### Did you know?

Since the start of the recession, the health care industry has continued to grow, adding over 631,000 jobs.



### WHAT IT MEANS FOR ME AS A CONSUMER/PATIENT:

- Almost everyone will be required to have health insurance or pay a fine
- Children with pre-existing conditions cannot be denied insurance coverage
- Young adults can stay on their parents insurance plans until age 26
- Insurance companies cannot drop your coverage if you get sick
- Insurance companies cannot place a lifetime cap on coverage
- Small businesses, self-employed and uninsured can pick a plan through new state exchanges
- Subsidies provided to help low income families buy insurance



### small talk with...

**Kim Hall** (Limited Medical Radiography)

What's your motto?

Good times!

What advice would you give to potential students?

If you want a good, stable job in the medical field, this is the place to come. They have some of the best instructors.

What advice would you give to current students?

Don't give up! You can do it. It is hard, but keep reminding yourself, "It will be worth it."

If you had one celebrity to be stranded with on a remote island, who would it be?

Well this could change tomorrow, but today I will have to say Bradley Cooper.



Kim Hall (left), Brooke Rose (right)

### STUDENT'S "STATS"

FROM PEKIN, INDIANA –  
ATTENDING ATA SINCE SEPTEMBER 2009 –  
FUTURE RADIOGRAPHER –  
GRADUATION ETA JUNE 2010 –  
MOM TO SHELBY SPOUSE OF KEITH –



### CONGRATULATIONS JULIE!

Congratulations to **Julie Pope**, program director of Medical Coding and Medical Office Assistant programs here at ATA! She was recently published in *Southern California Physician* magazine for an article she authored entitled "**Working with Patient and Third-Party Payers.**"

In her article, Pope offers up her expert tips to physicians on coping with reimbursement issues and in the meantime, she also helps them understand how a properly trained staff directly contributes to the success of their practice.

"Sometimes coders have to teach doctors," says Pope. "One thing I stress to all of my students is that they will play a very important role in keeping positive cash flow in a medical office, which directly impacts the success of the office."

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According to Pope, most physicians just want to practice medicine. In her article, however, Pope speaks directly to physicians and offers her **top three tips** on how they can facilitate the management of their accounts receivable.

1. Understand the billing process.
2. Develop a written financial policy.
3. Follow-up on outstanding claims and patient accounts.

### Here why Pope's article is important for ATA students as prospective allied health professionals:

All staff members have a role in the cash flow cycle. From front office staff, who obtain necessary data such as patient demographics and up-to-date insurance cards; to clinical staff who document essential data to support medical necessity for services provided; to billers/coders who submit clean claims in a timely manner.

In addition to her work at ATA as program director and instructor, Pope also serves on the board of American Academy of Professional Coders. She is currently co-writing a coding textbook with Juanita Davies entitled, "*Anatomy for Coders.*" Students may recognize Davies, her co-author, as the author of the medical terminology textbook they currently use in her class.

We appreciate all of Julie's hard work and dedication over the past four years here at ATA... Thanks for being an important part of the college and for making ATA look good, Julie!

**ATA TIPS:** These 6 tips will help you get rid of unnecessary job search stress:

1. **Get organized.** Create an easy-to-access portfolio of all your essentials (resume, cover letters, diplomas, etc.).
2. **Stick to a schedule.** Finding a job is full time job and a schedule will help you get it done.
3. **Know where you stand.** Evaluate interactions with prospective employers.
4. **Avoid repetitive stress.** Create templates that can be customized for different companies and situations.
5. **Take a break.** Recreation plays a vital role in maintaining composure. Look at your schedule and fill your free time with fun and relaxation.
6. **Practice makes perfect.** Just like you studied for your exams, you should study for an interview.

Research the company, think about possible questions and your responses and even go through a mock interview with a friend. The job hunt is stressful enough.

You can minimize unnecessary stress during this time by taking charge and letting these 6 steps work for you.

Practical Nursing, Limited Medical Radiography, Medical Assisting, Dental Assisting, Medical Coding, Medical Office Assisting, Phlebotomy, Medical Laboratory Technician

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### NEED ASSISTANCE FROM CAREER SERVICES?



Schedule a one-on-one interview with Mabel Sebastian in the last quarter of school.

Dress professionally and bring in a copy of your resume. The Career Service Office will conduct a mock interview and talk with you about your career goals. It's never too early to start working with Career Services at ATA. Even if you're a new student, schedule your appointment today!

**371-8330 x353**

**NEW CLASSES START**

**May 24**