

TECHNICAL STANDARDS

EMS Wellness Technician, Fitness Professional, Gerontology Professional, Health Navigator, Health & Wellness Promotion, Therapeutic Activity Specialist, Wellness Specialist

In this program grouping, students should be able to meet specific technical standards. These standards are the essential skills and abilities needed to be successful in a program, with or without reasonable accommodation. All Technical Standards documents are available for review on the Mid-State Technical College [website](#).

It is important to review and understand these technical standards before applying to the program.

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TECHNICAL STANDARD	DEFINITION OF TECHNICAL STANDARD	EXAMPLES OF TECHNICAL STANDARD
Auditory Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ability to hear normal speech (frequently). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct motivational interviews with clients. Collect client demographic data. Use music tempo to create group health programming.
Behavioral Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Possess adaptability and flexibility. (continuously) Ability to maintain composure and emotions. (continuously) Ability to manage stress calmly and effectively. (continuously) Ability to demonstrate confidentiality. (continuously) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interview clients soliciting sensitive and personal health data in a respectful and professional manner. Protect client medical records and information offered through client interviews. Upload recorded presentations and interactions to You Tube in a manner that protects client privacy. Use stress management techniques during community presentation Q&A time.

<p>Communication Skills</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to listen and understand spoken words (continuously). • Ability to read and understand written words (continuously). • Ability to identify and understand speech of another (continuously). • Ability to communicate information and ideas so others understand (continuously). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete client intake data. • Teach youth wellness concepts in a group setting. • Scan the environment for any potential safety considerations. • Use technology to create client educational videos. • Collaborate electronically and in person with organizational mentors to determine lesson plans, available resources and scheduling for outreach events.
<p>Critical Thinking Skills</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possess attention to detail and thoroughness (continuously). • Ability to be honest and ethical implementation of work (continuously). • Ability to adjust to fluctuating work volume (continuously). • Ability to work independently and use self-direction (continuously). • Ability to produce answers that make sense (continuously). • Ability to implement time and fiscal management (continuously). • Ability to utilize resources effectively (continuously). • Ability to apply current knowledge and new knowledge to job problems (continuously). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Determine which questions to ask a client based on their responses to support client autonomy and meet their individual needs. • Manage time during health coaching interviews to complete required objectives for each session. • Collaborate with agency mentors to meet assignment requirements and sponsoring organizations resources and needs. • Learning and using new technologies such as Canva, Microsoft Suite, and recording apps to communicate health messaging.
<p>Interpersonal Skills</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possess good-natured and cooperative attitude (continuously). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with health care organizations in a rapidly changing environment. • Work with clients that may become emotional or upset when discussing personal or challenging topics. • Works with fellow students to create collaborative assignments.

<p>Mobility and Motor Skills</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to sit and maintain balance (frequently). • Ability to stand and maintain balance (frequently). • Ability to reach above shoulders (occasionally). • Ability to reach below waist (occasionally). • Ability to work above shoulders (occasionally). • Ability to work overhead (occasionally). • Ability to twist/pivot (occasionally). • Ability to stoop/squat (occasionally). • Ability to climb stairs (occasionally). • Ability to bend (occasionally). • Ability to kneel (occasionally). • Ability to lift up to 20 pounds of weight (occasionally). • Ability to walk (frequently). • Ability to sustain repetitive motion (occasionally). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lead a group fitness class by demonstrating various movement patterns to participants. • Demonstrate safety instructions and techniques to clients using exercise machinery. • Deliver engaging demonstrations and presentations to community groups with the assistance of technology and equipment. • Be able to deliver CPR with AED as needed.
<p>Tactile Skills</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possess finger dexterity (frequently). • Ability to grasp (occasionally). • Ability to pincer grip (occasionally). • Ability to type using a computer/keying in data (frequently). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use a skin fold caliper on a personal training client. • Use of a computer keyboard to create infographic client handouts. • Use of a tape measure to take client measurements.
<p>Visual Skills</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possess near vision within a few feet and far vision (frequently). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct physical assessments for personal training clients. • Continuously assess the health and safety of group fitness participants. • Identify fitness equipment that is unsafe or broken.

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