CAREER DESCRIPTION*
» National median salary: $57,380
» National projected job growth: 5-8%
» Many work in hospitals and physician offices
» Play a crucial role in helping patients to recover from illness by identifying a disease while it is still at a treatable stage.

TYPICAL EDUCATION**
» Years of school (including undergraduate): 4-6 years
» Required entering GPA: 2.8+**
» Typical entry-level education: Bachelor’s Degree
» Bachelor’s Degree can be in any field, science recommended
» Licensing is required

NEARBY SCHOOLS
» University of Nebraska Medical Center
» Purdue University -Indiana
» Mayo Clinic of Health Sciences- Minnesota
» St. Louis University- Missouri

COMPETITIVE APPLICANTS ALWAYS...
» Maintain a competitive academic record
» Obtain computer and health care experience
» Shadow professionals in the field

WHAT PRACTICING PROFESSIONALS SAY
"Cytotechnology allows you to challenge yourself to stay current on new technologies and procedures. We are vital to patient care management and detection."

-Tally, Cytotechnologist (ASCP)

"[Cytotechnology] is versatile, and I love the daily challenge. The program at UNMC has far exceeded my expectations."

-N. Baker, Cytotechnologist/UNMC graduate

*Data and information from the Bureau of Labor Statistics
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