



**Forsyth Technical Community College  
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Winston-Salem, NC 27103-5197**

**One-year Advanced Placement Program – Traditional Classroom Only**

## **Interventional Cardiac and Vascular Technology (A45410-A) Advanced Placement Associate Degree**

**Priority Review Deadline: February 20, 2020**

### **\*\*\*Admissions Information\*\*\***

Interventional Cardiac and Vascular Technology (ICVT) is a selective enrollment program beginning each summer. **Advanced placement into the Interventional Cardiac and Vascular Technology program is available to graduates from an approved accredited program who have earned an Associate Degree or higher in Nursing, Paramedic, Respiratory Therapy, Cardiovascular Sonography, Surgical Technology or Radiography; or graduates who have earned Bachelor of Science in Exercise Physiology. Applicants must have a current licensure/registry in good standing and must meet the minimum admission requirements (MAR).**

**Acceptable accreditation agencies include:**

- **Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) or National League of Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC)**
- **American Nurses Association (ANA) or American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN)**
- **Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the EMS Professions (CoAEMSP)**
- **Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP)**
- **Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools (ABHES)**
- **National Board for Respiratory Care (NCRC)**
- **Joint Review committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT)**
- **Joint Review committee on Education in Cardiovascular Technology**

Other accreditation agencies will need to be individually evaluated by the ICVT program coordinator.

**Current licensure/registry must be in good standing. Applicants in their last semester of one of the above-mentioned programs will be considered, but must complete and pass their national/state licensure/registry by the 12<sup>th</sup> week of ICVT program entry or be dropped from the program.**

*\*Students will need to provide a copy of their license/certification to the ICVT Program Coordinator.*

Resources such as clinical facilities and faculty, as well as approval standards, limit the number of accepted applicants to **3 - 5 students** for the summer. Interventional Cardiac and Vascular Technology (ICVT) is an advanced one-year, associate degree program and all applicants must meet minimum requirements to be considered for admission. **Please note, however, that meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee admission.**

Any program specific questions should be directed to Marti Feathers-Magee, Program Coordinator for ICVT, at 336-734-7189 or [mfeathers-magee@forsythtech.edu](mailto:mfeathers-magee@forsythtech.edu). Qualified applicants will be ranked based on criteria listed in this packet. Applicants not admitted to the program must reapply, complete a new health information session, and complete a new MAR Review if they wish to be considered for the following year.

## PHASE I: APPLICATION PROCESS

The following steps must be completed by February 20, 2020 for the summer 2020 program. Please note that you are not required to watch the online information session.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Complete the Residency Determination Service (RDS) and a Forsyth Tech application. If currently enrolled in classes at Forsyth Tech, complete the update form in the Admissions Office.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Complete placement testing if required by the Admissions Office.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Have an official high school transcript or GED scores mailed to the Admissions Office.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Have official transcripts from **ALL colleges and schools** attended since high school sent to the Admissions Office. Official transcripts must have the school seal or original signature and be in a sealed unopened envelope or submitted electronically from the school. All transcripts are required regardless of applicability to the program of study. Electronic transcripts should be sent to [Admissions@forsythtech.edu](mailto:Admissions@forsythtech.edu). We strongly recommend that official college transcripts be received **and** evaluated before a MAR is conducted. Evaluation of transcripts typically takes 5-7 business days to complete once transcripts have been received. Please do **NOT** bring in transcripts the day you come to complete your MAR review
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Submit **official** copies of any Advanced Placement (AP) scores, if applicable. Official scores are required to assign points for ranking. **Please note that this can take up to four to six weeks to be received due to the College Board request process.**

## PHASE II: MINIMUM ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

### 1. No “D/F” Policy

**This policy is in place to maintain the integrity of our ICVT program and all ICVT applicants are held to this standard. There are NO exceptions.**

Applicants must earn a grade of “C” or better in all program related courses attempted to be eligible for the program. This policy applies to courses taken at Forsyth Tech as well as equivalent courses completed at outside colleges or universities. **Applicants with a “D” or “F” in a related course (listed on pg. 5) as of the stated deadline will NOT be eligible to complete a MAR review for the ICVT program.** If a grade of “D” or “F” is earned after acceptance to the program, the course must be repeated and a “C” or higher earned before the student will be allowed to enroll in the ICVT program. Failure to remove a grade of “D” or “F” will result in the loss of admission into the ICVT program.

*\*Students who are currently repeating a related course (listed on pg. 4), in an effort to improve their previous grade of “D” or “F”, may be considered for acceptance. NOTE: These applicants will be ranked last based on criteria listed in this packet.*

## 2. Mandatory Courses

The following courses must be completed (with a grade of “C” or higher) by the time of the MAR Review. Applicants must have equivalent college transfer credit, or complete the necessary general education course work, required for ranking purposes and the degree. These courses include:

Course(s)	Description	Credit Hours
BIO 168 or BIO 165	Anatomy and Physiology I	4
BIO 169 or BIO 166	Anatomy and Physiology II	4
Humanities	*see options in Phase III	3
ENG 111	Expository Writing	3
ENG 112 or ENG 114	Argument-Based Research Prof. Research & Reporting	3 3
PSY 118 or PSY 150	Interpersonal Psychology General Psychology	3 3

Registered Radiologic Technologists will be issued transfer credit for **ICV 112** (Ionizing RAD Protection).

Licensed Paramedics and Respiratory Therapists will be issued transfer credit for **ICV 111** (Electrocardiography).

Licensed Nurses will be issued transfer credit for **ICV 216** (Pharmacology).

\*Additional proficiency exams for ICV core courses may be offered.

## 3. Grade Point Average (GPA)

Applicants must have a final cumulative GPA of 2.8 or higher.

### **PHASE III: MINIMUM ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS (MAR) REVIEW**

After **completion** of Phase I and II, applicants are eligible to meet with an Admissions Counselor to complete the Minimum Admissions Requirements (MAR) Review. Applicants who wish to be considered for the summer 2020 program **must** complete the MAR Review between the dates of September 3, 2019 and the deadline of February 20, 2020. Applicants for the summer 2020 program will not be considered for admission until this step is completed. Please do **NOT** bring in college transcripts the day you come to complete your MAR review as the Admissions Office is not the office responsible for transcript evaluations.

The Admissions Office hours for the MAR Review are 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday. The review is done on a walk-in basis and no appointment is necessary. Please note that only one counselor is available after 5:00 p.m. The Admissions Office is located in the Strickland Center, room 2361.

Due to new state regulations regarding residency, applicants are strongly encourage to complete both RDS and the online application prior to coming in to complete the MAR. It may not be possible to complete both steps at the time of MAR. This is of particular note to applicants applying close to the deadline.

## Summer 2020 applicants

If you are applying for summer 2020 and will not be taking any related courses (pg. 4) in fall 2019, you can complete your MAR:	If you are applying for fall 2020 and are taking related courses (pg. 4) during the fall 2019 semester, you can complete your MAR:
September 3- February 20*	January 14-February 20*

October 15 – school closed

November 11 – Veteran’s Day/ school closed

November 25-29 – Thanksgiving school closed

December 16 – January 20– Holiday break school closed / Registration week/ MLK holiday

February 17-21 – nursing deadline (nursing MAR reviews only)

Please note: MAR reviews held during fall and spring breaks will end at 4pm.

Fall Break: 10/16 – 10/17

**Reminder: MAR reviews will not be conducted on Fridays.**

### Related Courses

Points are awarded for specific course grades completed by the deadline. Grade points are valued as follows: A= 4 points, B= 3 points and C= 2 points. These points are then multiplied by the credit hours for each course. For example, English 111 (3 credit hours) with a grade of “B” (3 points) gives a student 9 total points for that course. AP credit is based upon the individual scores as follows: 5=A=4 points, 4=B=3 points and 3=C=2 points. No AP credit is awarded for a score of 2 or lower.

Related academic courses and approved substitutions are listed below. Only courses completed by the deadline will be used for ranking. Courses must be completed with a “C” or higher. Please note: if a course is repeated, the highest grade earned will be used in the ranking.

<u>Course(s)</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Credit Hours</u>
BIO 168 or BIO 165	Anatomy and Physiology I	4
BIO 169 or BIO 166	Anatomy and Physiology II	4
Humanities	*see options below	3
ENG 111	Expository Writing	3
ENG 112 or ENG 114	Argument-Based Research  Prof. Research & Reporting	3  3
PSY 118 or PSY 150	Interpersonal Psychology  General Psychology	3  3

\*Humanities/Fine Arts Elective – Select one: [ART 111](#), [ENG 231](#), [ENG 232](#), [HUM 110](#), [HUM 115](#), [HUM 120](#), [MUS 110](#), [PHI 215](#), [PHI 240](#), or [REL 110](#). Consult an academic advisor concerning other possible electives.

\*Applicants who have completed BIO 163 will be considered for admission to the Advanced Placement ICVT Program, but will not be awarded quality points. These applicants will be advised to take BIO 271 during the course of the one-year Program. BIO 163 & BIO 271 combination will equate to the 8 credit hours of required biology (FTCC Curriculum Committee approval 12/2014).

**Please note that if a course is substituted for points, it does not guarantee that it will count towards graduation. Accepted students must confirm the course substitution with their program department chair during their first semester in the program.**

1. **Additional Points: Must be submitted at time of MAR Review**

Points will be awarded for the completion of the following. Please note these are **not** requirements for admission to the program. Appropriate documentation must be submitted for points to be awarded.

- 1 point            GPA of 3.0 or higher
- \*2 points        1 year or more full time experience working in a health field
- \*1 point        480 hours or more part time experience working in a health field

***\*Must receive documentation from supervisor on facility letterhead verifying work experience. Work performed must involve direct patient care as specified in the job description.***

2. **Total Points for Ranking**

Adding together the grade points and related experience points will determine the applicant's total points for ranking. Students with the highest point total will be accepted. In the event of a tie, the applicant with the higher Related Courses points will be ranked higher. An alternate list will also be developed. Applicants not admitted to the program must reapply, complete a new health information session **and** complete a new MAR Review if they wish to be considered for the following year's class.

**CPR REQUIREMENT**

Applicants who are **accepted** must hold current basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) certification through the American Heart Association by the first day of class. CPR certification may be completed through Forsyth Tech's Corporate and Continuing Education Division (336-734-7023).

*\*Students will also need to provide a copy of their certification to the ICVT Program Coordinator.*

**NOTE: The information provided in this packet is subject to change annually.**

**Policy regarding Deferred Action Childhood Arrival (DACA) and Undocumented Students**

Current NCCCS policy allows DACA and undocumented applicants to enroll at Forsyth Tech at the out of state tuition cost. However, acceptance to the college does not guarantee acceptance to a specific program.

DACA students are eligible to apply to an Allied Health/Nursing programs.

Undocumented students are not eligible for consideration to Allied Health or Nursing programs. According to North Carolina and Federal law, undocumented students are not eligible for North Carolina professional licensure.

This policy is subject to change without notice based upon federal and state regulations.