



Forsyth Technical Community College  
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## Interventional Cardiac and Vascular Technology (Diploma)

**Summer 2012 Deadline: March 29, 2012**

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

Interventional Cardiac and Vascular Technology (ICVT) is a selective enrollment program beginning each summer. **Applicants applying for this program must be graduates of an accredited health science program who are in good standing with their current registry/licensure. Acceptable programs include: Associate Degree Nursing, Paramedic, Respiratory Therapy, Nuclear Medicine, or Radiography programs. 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)
- National Board for Respiratory Care (NCRC)
- Joint Review committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT)

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.**

Resources such as clinical facilities and faculty, as well as approval standards, limit the number of applicants accepted to the program **to 5 students** for the summer. Interventional Cardiac and Vascular Technology (ICVT) is an advanced one-year, diploma 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 mmagee@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's class.

## PHASE I: APPLICATION PROCESS

The following steps must be completed by March 29, 2012 for the summer 2012 program.

- \_\_\_ 1. Complete the Forsyth Tech application.
  
- \_\_\_ 2. **Complete the online information session tutorial when it is available and return the electronic signature form.** This form can be returned to the Admissions Office via email, fax, mail, or hand delivery. The online information session will be available soon and can be located at [www.forsythtech.edu](http://www.forsythtech.edu) under Allied Health/Nursing Admissions. If you prefer, you may choose to attend an in-person information session instead of completing the online tutorial. **Keep in mind that the in-person information session is recommended but no longer a mandatory requirement.** These sessions are conducted on a monthly basis on Forsyth Tech's Main Campus in Winston-Salem, NC.
  
- \_\_\_ 3. Complete placement testing if required by the Admissions Office.
  
- \_\_\_ 4. Have an official high school transcript or GED scores mailed to the Admissions Office.
  
- \_\_\_ 5. Have official transcripts from all colleges or schools attended since high school sent to the Admissions Office. These will be reviewed for possible transfer credit.  
(Official transcripts must have the school seal or original signature and be in a sealed unopened envelope.)

## PHASE II: MINIMUM ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

### 1. Placement Test Scores

<u>CPT</u>		<u>COMPASS</u>		<u>ASSET</u>	
Sentence Skills	86	Writing	70	Writing Skills	41
Reading Comp.	80	Reading	81	Reading Skills	41
Arithmetic	55	Pre-Algebra	47	Numerical Skills	41
Algebra	55	Algebra	46	Elem. Algebra	41

Applicants not meeting these minimum scores should enroll in the appropriate developmental course(s). All developmental courses **must be** completed by the deadline date. A college level English composition or algebra course with a grade of "C" or higher will be used to waive the tests once the transcript(s) has been received and reviewed. Likewise, acceptable SAT/ACT scores within the past five years may also waive some of the tests.

#### SAT SCORES

Verbal	480
Math	500

#### ACT

Must have a composite of 21

### 2. Biology Competency

Applicants must have completed a high school biology course. If the course was not completed at the high school level, an applicant must complete the course at the college level. There is no age limitation on the high school or college level course.

**3. “C” or Better Policy**

Applicants must earn a grade of “C” or better in all general education courses attempted to become eligible for the program. Applicants with a “D” or “F” in a related course (listed on pg. 3) as of the stated deadline will not be eligible to be considered for admission to the Interventional Cardiac and Vascular Technology program. If the grades of “D” or “F” are 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 program. Failure to remove the grade of “D” or “F” will result in the loss of admission to the Interventional Cardiac and Vascular Technology program.

**4. Grade Point Average (GPA)**

Applicants must have a final, cumulative GPA of 2.5 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 2012 program **must** complete the MAR Review by March 29, 2012. Applicants for the summer 2012 program will not be considered for admission until this step is completed. The Admissions Office hours for the MAR Review are 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Friday. The review is done on a walk-in basis and no appointment is necessary. The Admissions Office is located in Allman room 123.

**PHASE III (CONTINUED): RANKING PROCESS**

After completion of Phase I and II, applicants who complete a MAR Review are ranked using a point system. As this is a selective enrollment program, it is in the student’s best interest to achieve as many ranking points as possible. The components of the ranking system include the following items:

**1. 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.

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.

<u>Related Course Titles</u>	<u>Credit Hours</u>
COM 120, COM 231, ENG 112, ENG 113, ENG 114, or ENG 115	3
BIO 271	3

**2. Program Grade Point Average**

Points are awarded for the following program grade point averages:

2.8 and above = 8 points

2.5 – 2.8 = 4 points

2.0 – 2.4 = 0 points

### **3. Total Points for Ranking**

Adding the related course grade points and the program grade point average points together will determine the total score. Students with the highest point total will be accepted. In the event of a tie, the **completion** date of Phase I not the date of the MAR Review will be the determining factor. An alternate list will also be developed. Alternates will only be accepted if a student originally accepted, declines their seat. 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.

### **PHASE IV: ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY (A&P) REQUIREMENT**

Accepted students must meet the A&P prerequisite for BIO 271 - Pathophysiology. Graduates of a community college must meet the prerequisite with completion of a college level A&P course (BIO 163) or sequence (165 & 166 or 168 & 169) with a "C" or better. There is no age limitation on the course(s).

Graduates of a hospital based program who did not take A&P through a community college or university must still meet the course prerequisite regardless of the A&P classes done through the hospital program. An in-house competency examination has been developed and will be administered to graduates of a hospital based program. Information on this examination will be given to qualified applicants at the MAR Review. Qualified applicants must pass the examination by the designated deadline to be considered for admission to the ICVT program. Acceptance to the ICVT program will not be offered unless the competency examination has been passed.

### **PHASE IV (CONTINUED): CPR REQUIREMENT**

Applicants who are **accepted** must hold current cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) certification through the American Heart Association by the first day of class, clinical, or end of first semester. CPR certification can be completed through Forsyth Tech's Corporate and Continuing Education Division (336-761-1002).