

Forsyth Technical Community College 2100 Silas Creek Parkway Winston-Salem, NC 27103-5197

## Interventional Cardiac and Vascular Technology (A45410) ICVT Advanced Placement Associate Degree

### Final review deadline: February 25, 2021

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 12th 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., considered for the following year.

- 1. Complete an application to Forsyth Tech at <u>https://www.forsythtech.edu/apply-ft/</u>
  - New and Former students must complete the online application
  - Complete NC Residency at <u>www.ncresidency.org</u>
  - Submit all official transcripts from high school and colleges attended as well as AP scores if applicable for the related courses. Electronic transcripts can be sent through a secure service to <u>admissions@forsythtech.edu</u> or paper transcripts can be mailed to Forsyth Technical Community College Attn: Admissions 2100 Silas Creek Parkway Winston Salem, NC 27103-5197, or hand delivered in a sealed envelope to the Admissions and Records Office on the main campus.
  - Currently enrolled students do not need to do a new application, just complete the Limited Enrollment/Selective Admissions form and make sure the NC Residency is current.

2. Complete the required Allied Health Admissions Process form at the end of this packet and submit the form to admissions@forsythtech.edu

- 3. Meet requirements of "No D or F policy":
  - While you are taking the related courses to become competitive, you must maintain a C or higher in any related course for the ICVT program
  - Applicants with a D or F in any of the related courses will not be eligible to compete for the program unless they have repeated the course and earned a grade to replace the D or F (You cannot do a MAR review with a D or an F)
  - This policy is in place to maintain the integrity of the program and all applicants are held to these standards. There are NO exceptions.
  - \* Side Note: For programs with multiple course options for a related course, applicants can replace the D or F grade with any of the course options available. For example, if the course choices are ENG 112 or ENG 114, and the applicant has a D or F in 112 then the choice is to either repeat 112 or take 114 and earn a C or higher.

#### 4. 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:
  - BIO 168 or BIO 165 Anatomy and Physiology I
  - BIO 169 or BIO 166 Anatomy and Physiology II
  - Humanities \*see options in Phase III
  - ENG 111 Expository Writing
  - ENG 112 or ENG 114 Argument-Based Research Prof. Research & Reporting
  - PSY 118 or PSY 150 Interpersonal Psychology General Psychology
  - 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.
- 5. Grade Point Average (GPA)
  - Applicants must have a final cumulative GPA of 2.8 or higher.

#### 6. Meet with an Admissions Counselor to do a Minimum Admissions Requirements Review

Please email <u>admissions@forsythtech.edu</u> to request your MAR review via email. Once we are able to complete the review virtually, you will be added to the TEAS list and someone will contact you about how to take the TEAS test. In the event that Covid-19 prevents the TEAS from being administered on campus, we will make it available to students remotely. This requires preparation 24 hours ahead of the test, so be aware that you would NOT be able to complete your MAR review and TEAS test on the day of the deadline. Further instructions will be given after you complete the MAR review.

- Email a request for a virtual MAR review to <u>admissions@forsythtech.edu</u>
- Please note that these dates are unavailable for MAR reviews:
- October 13 school closed
- November 11 Veteran's Day school closed
- November 25-27 Thanksgiving school closed
- December 14 January 22 Holiday break school closed/Registration week/MLK holiday
- February 15-19 Nursing MAR's only
- No MAR reviews on Fridays

Please be aware of these days when the school is closed and expect that there will be a delay in the processing and response time on your MAR review request.

Summer 2021 applicants can do MAR reviews between September 8<sup>th</sup> and the February 25th deadline. \*\* If you are in related courses for the fall 2020 semester or the spring 2021 semester you will have more points and be more competitive if you finish those courses first and do your MAR review after those grades are posted.

### 7. Make sure you meet the Admitted Student requirements

- Check page 6 to prepare in case you are admitted to the program!
- 8. Check your Forsyth Tech email and keep your phone and address updated with the office
  - Four to six weeks after the deadline we will notify you via your Forsyth Tech email about your status
  - You will receive an email regardless of the result admitted, alternate, not admitted. We will not leave you without notification.
  - If you are admitted to the program, there will be instructions in your admission letter with requirements that apply to admitted students – make sure to meet any of those deadlines/requirements or you can lose your seat in the program
  - If you are an alternate, we will contact you by phone or email if any seats open up in the program

# **Understanding the Ranking Process:**

When the MAR Review is complete, qualified applicants are ranked using a point system. The points come from the grades in the "related courses" that are part of the program and will not only give you points but also lighten the course load if you are admitted into the program.

#### **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. 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 earned will be used in the ranking.

#### **<u>Related Course Titles – College Level Only</u>**

BIO 168 or 165 BIO 169 or 166 ENG 111 ENG 112 or 114 PSY 150 or PSY 118 Humanities/Fine Arts elective

\*To qualify for ranking points and transfer credit, courses must satisfy the required semester hours and descriptions. Please note that BIO 165 & 166 must be completed at the same college or university to transfer. Applicants completing BIO 168 & 169 are not restricted to taking both anatomy courses at the same college or university. No points will be awarded for BIO 163.

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 the program department chair during their first semester in the program.

\*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).

#### 2. 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.

#### 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 program.

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 regulation

## **Requirements for Admitted Students ONLY**

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

# Health Admissions Agreement

I have reviewed this information and fully understand the requirements to compete for the ICVT program at Forsyth Tech. I understand that the deadlines and specific information about eligibility are located in this program packet and it is my responsibility to read and review those requirements. I also understand that if I have questions, I can contact the Admissions office at <u>admissions@forsythtech.edu</u> or 336-734-7556.

Name:

Student ID or Birthdate:

Signature:

Date: