



Forsyth Technical Community College
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**Interventional Cardiac and Vascular Technology (A45410-AP)
ICVT Advanced Placement Associate Degree
Summer 2024 cohort will begin accepting applications in January 2024
Final review deadline: February 29, 2024**

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 a 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. You will also need to upload your unofficial transcript to the MAR application (see question #8 on the application), submit your official transcript to Admissions and Records when your semester is complete, and provide a copy of your license/certification to the ICVT Program Coordinator once it is obtained.

Resources such as clinical facilities and faculty, as well as approval standards, limit the number of accepted applicants to 3-5 students for summer enrollment.

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.

Required steps for the ICVT AP program application

1. Complete an application to Forsyth Tech (if you are not a current student).
2. Check that you meet the minimum readiness levels.
3. Submit official transcripts.
4. Submit the MAR application.
 - Be prepared to upload credentials, certifications and/or unofficial transcripts
5. Review additional requirements for accepted students.

Details for each step are outlined below:

1. Complete an application to Forsyth Tech

New and Former students must complete the online application at <https://www.forsythtech.edu/apply-ft/>
Complete NC Residency at www.ncresidency.org

Currently enrolled students do not need to do a new application, just make sure the NC Residency is current.

2. Check that you meet the minimum readiness levels

The following courses must be completed (with a grade of “C” or higher) PRIOR to filling out the MAR application. Applicants must have equivalent college transfer credit, or complete the necessary general education coursework, 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: <https://www.forsythtech.edu/catalog/2223/program/interventional-cardiac-and-vascular-technology>
- ENG 111 Expository Writing
- ENG 112 or ENG 114 Argument-Based Research Prof. Research & Reporting
- PSY 118 or PSY 150 Interpersonal Psychology General Psychology

NOTE: According to the Advanced Standing Guidelines:

- Registered Radiologic Technologists will be issued transfer credit for ICV112 (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.

For more information on how these courses are used to determine your entry into the ICVT AP program, please see the section on [Understanding the Ranking Process](#)

Grade Point Average (GPA)

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

If you are unsure whether you meet either of these requirements, it is YOUR responsibility to speak with your assigned advisor PRIOR TO submitting your MAR application.

When we receive the MAR application it will be reviewed to make sure you meet the minimum requirements. If you do not meet these requirements, you will not be eligible and will not be placed into the applicant pool.

3. Submit official transcripts

Electronic transcripts can be sent through a secure service to admissions@forsythtech.edu

-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

-emailed copies from you are NOT official

We must have:

- Official college transcripts where related classes were taken. Only undergraduate classes through bachelor’s degree level; we do not need graduate level transcripts.
- Official AP scores from College Board if you want credit for applicable classes (credits showing on other college transcripts do not count).
- It is recommended to submit your graduating High School (or GED) transcript, or you may miss placement requirements.

Examples:

If you have transfer credit for all related classes, but still haven’t sent in transcripts from another college you attended	→ We do not need further transcripts
If you have transfer credit for all related classes, but retake one or more and got a higher grade at another school	→ We need the official transcript with the retake if you want the additional points
If you took college classes that show on your high school transcript	→ You will need to submit official transcripts from the college to receive MAR points and transfer credit
If you realize after the deadline that you didn’t send a needed transcript	→ It is too late to send additional transcripts. You will only be awarded MAR points and transfer credit for transcripts received by the deadline.

****When we do your MAR review, it will be based on documents in your account at the time of the review. ****

4. Submit the MAR application

You can only apply to **one** health program at a time at Forsyth Tech.

Regularly check your Forsyth Tech email for any notifications about the MAR

Summer 2024 application for ICVT AP opens January 2, 2024, through February 29, 2024

Access the online application here:

[ICVT MAR Application AP](#)

5. Review additional requirements for accepted students

Applicants who are accepted must hold current basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) certification through the American Heart Association by the first day of the summer 2024 semester. CPR certification may be completed through Forsyth Tech's Corporate and Continuing Education Division (336-734-7023). Documentation should be uploaded to the MAR application.

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.

Related Course Titles – College Level Only

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 with your MAR application. 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.

For experience working in a health field, we must receive documentation from a supervisor on facility letterhead verifying work experience. Work performed must involve direct patient care as specified in the job description. Documentation should be attached to the MAR application.

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 regulatio

