

Cardiovascular Technology Curriculum

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PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

A.A.S., MAJOR IN CARDIOVASCULAR TECHNOLOGY (INVASIVE)

The cardiovascular technologist is a health care professional who, at the direction of a licensed physician, performs diagnostic tests which are used in the diagnosis, treatment and serial follow-up of patients with cardiovascular disease. Cardiovascular Technology is a title used to describe two basic areas of expertise: Invasive Cardiology and Adult Echocardiography.

Invasive Cardiology utilizes highly sophisticated equipment to perform procedures on patients for diagnostic and interventional treatment of cardiovascular diseases as part of the cardiac catheterization team. The invasive technologist assists a qualified cardiologist in all aspects of the cardiac catheterization.

Admission: Acceptance into Piedmont Technical College's CVTI program is competitive and is limited to 8 students to begin fall semester. See the college calendar or website for application dates.

The Cardiovascular Technology program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP)) 25400 US Highway, 19 North., Suite 158 Clearwater, FL 33763; (727) 210-2350) www.caahep.org, upon the recommendation of The Joint Review Committee on Education in Cardiovascular Technology (JRC-CVT), www.jrccvt.org, 1449 Hill Street, Whitinsville, MA 01588-1032, (978) 456-5594.

To become eligible for entry into the Cardiovascular Technology major studies coursework, applicants must complete the following:

- 1. Complete the following courses (minimum "C" grade required):
 - AHS 102
 - BIO 210
 - ENG 101
 - MAT 102 or MAT 120
 - PSY 201

- 2. Minimum grade point average for the above coursework of 2.5. A GPA calculator can be found on the college website.
- 3. Good academic standing at the college.

Students are required to maintain a current American Heart Association "Basic Life Support" certification throughout the major studies courses.

Major Studies Courses: Completion of the Associate in Applied Science with a major in Cardiovascular Technology requires four (4) semesters upon acceptance to the major studies coursework.

GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES				
COURSES		CREDIT HOURS		
BIO 210	Anatomy and Physiology I	4.0		
BIO 211	Anatomy and Physiology II	4.0		
ENG 101	English Composition I	3.0		
MAT 102	Intermediate Algebra	3.0		
	or MAT 120 Probability and S	Statistics		
PSY 201	General Psychology	3.0		
SPC 205	Public Speaking	3.0		
	Elective Humanities/Fine Ar	ts 3.0		

SUBTOTAL: 23.0

REQUIRED CORE SUBJECT AREAS			
COURSE	ES CREDIT HOURS		
CVT 101	Introduction to Cardiovascular Technology 2.0		
CVT 102	Cardiovascular Pathophysiology3.0		
CVT 108	Physics for the Invasive		
	Cardiovascular Technologist2.0		
CVT 110	Hemodynamics and Cardiac Care Physiology 2.0		
CVT 112	Cardiovascular Principles		
CVT 120	Invasive Cardiology I		
CVT 121	Invasive Cardiology II		
CVT 122	Invasive Cardiology Clinical I5.0		
CVT 125	Invasive Cardiology Clinical II5.0		
CVT 223	Invasive Cardiology III		
CVT 225	Invasive Cardiology Clinical III8.0		
CVT 226	Invasive Cardiology Special Topics2.0		

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SUBTOTAL: 41.0

OTHER COURSES REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION				
COURSES	CREDIT HOURS			
AHS 102 Medical Terminology	3.0			
	SUBTOTAL: 3.0			

TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 67.0

Note: Each student is required to complete BIO 211 (before the end of the first semester) and SPC 205 (before the end of the second semester). Students are encouraged to complete all general education coursework prior to beginning program coursework.

A.A.S., MAJOR IN CARDIOVASCULAR TECHNOLOGY (ADULT ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY)

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Adult Echocardiography utilizes ultrasound to perform diagnostics examinations on patients. The non-invasive technologist will utilize state-of-the-art equipment to recognize, calculate, interpret and analyze hemodynamic data derived from the cardiac study.

Admission: Acceptance into Piedmont Technical College's CVTN program is competitive and is limited to 12 students to begin fall semester. See the college calendar or website for application dates.

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 - PSY 201
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- 3. Good academic standing at the college.

Students are required to maintain a current American Heart Association "Basic Life Support" certification throughout the major studies courses. Major Studies Courses: Completion of the Associate in Applied Science with a major in Cardiovascular Technology requires four (4) semesters upon acceptance to the major studies coursework.

GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES

COURSE	CREDIT HOURS
BIO 210	Anatomy and Physiology I4.0
BIO 211	Anatomy and Physiology II4.0
ENG 101	English Composition I3.0
MAT 102	Intermediate Algebra3.0
	or MAT 120 Probability and Statistics
PSY 201	General Psychology3.0
SPC 205	Public Speaking
	Elective Humanities/Fine Arts3.0

SUBTOTAL: 23.0

CREDIT HOURS

REQUIRED CORE SUBJECT AREAS

COURSES

COURSES		CREDIT HOURS
	CVT 101	Introduction to Cardiovascular Technology 2.0
	CVT 102	Cardiovascular Pathophysiology3.0
	CVT 106	Introduction to Non-Invasive Physics 3.0
	CVT 107	Non-Invasive Cardiovascular Physics3.0
	CVT 112	Cardiovascular Principles
	CVT 140	Non-Invasive Cardiology I
	CVT 141	Non-Invasive Cardiology II
	CVT 142	Non-Invasive Cardiology Clinical I5.0
	CVT 145	Non-Invasive Cardiology Clinical II
		Applications5.0
	CVT 243	Non-Invasive Cardiology III
	CVT 245	Non-Invasive Cardiology Clinical III8.0
	CVT 246	Non-Invasive Cardiology Special Topics2.0

SUBTOTAL: 43.0

OTHER COURSES REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION COURSES CREDIT HOURS

SUBTOTAL: 3.0 TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 69.0

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education coursework prior to beginning program coursework.

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