

HEALTH SCIENCES

PROGRAMS

ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

Clinical Laboratory Technology
 Dental Hygiene
 Diagnostic Medical Sonography
 Fire Science/Emergency
 Medical Technician (EMT)
 Histotechnician
 Nursing-
 Level I - Practical Nursing
 (Diploma only)
 Level II - Associate Degree
 Nursing
 Occupational Therapy Assistant
 Opticianry
 Physical Therapist Assistant
 Radiography
 Respiratory Therapy
 Therapeutic Massage

CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

Dental Assisting
 Emergency/Disaster Management
 Health Care Interpreter
 Magnetic Resonance Imaging
 Phlebotomy
 Renal Dialysis Technician

General Policies

The following general policies apply to ALL Health Sciences programs. Where requirements are specific to a particular program, they are listed on the program page.

Technical Standards:

Each program has developed technical standards to assist interested applicants and continuing students to understand the tasks which a person working in that job would typically be expected to perform. These standards give a sense of the physical requirements, psychomotor skills and affective behaviors associated with a particular occupation. Standards are listed with each individual program.

ACADEMIC PROGRESS:

For most programs, students must maintain a 2.0 GPA while in the program. Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy and Therapeutic Massage students must achieve a grade of 75 percent in each course required by the program. Nursing students must maintain a 75 percent passing grade in each nursing course and maintain a 2.5 GPA to progress. Students who do not maintain the expected level of academic progress will be dismissed from the program.

Program faculty reserve the right to require withdrawal of any student from the program or to refuse reinstatement based on the student's academic, clinical or professional performance.

ACCOMMODATION:

Students in the health programs with a documented need for reasonable accommodation are encouraged to contact the Office of Disability Services for Students as early as possible. This will help ensure that reasonable accommodations are provided in a timely manner.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

See individual programs.

PERFORMANCE-BASED HEALTH SCIENCE APPLICATION PROCESS:

In 2007, CCRI instituted a new merit-based acceptance policy for selected health science programs to assist in gradually reducing the wait lists for many in-demand programs. The "Performance-Based Health Science Application Process" is a competitive process that recognizes exceptional academic achievement by expediting the admissions process into the Nursing, Dental Hygiene, Diagnostic Medical Sonography and Radiography, Physical Therapist Assistant, Occupational Therapy Assistant and Therapeutic Massage programs. Other programs listed below are part of this new admissions process and do have admission requirements but are generally able to accept all applicants meeting these criteria. Many of these programs have limited application windows. Emergency/Disaster Management and Fire Science/EMT programs are exempt from the limited application windows and will continue accepting applications year-round. Students who submitted an application for any one of the health science programs after April 1, 2006, have been accepted into the General Studies program in order to begin working on admissions requirements. No new applicants from April 1, 2006, forward will be added to a waiting list. Students are required to have completed all admission requirements before submitting an application for a health science program under the performance-based health science application process.

Programs now operating under the performance-based admissions policy with limited application windows are: **Associate Degree Programs:** Respiratory Therapy, Clinical Laboratory Technology, Dental Hygiene, Diagnostic Medical Sonography, Histotechnician, Nursing, Occupational Therapy Assistant, Opticianry, Physical Therapist Assistant, Radiography, Therapeutic Massage. **Certificate Programs:** Dental Assisting, Health Care Interpreter, Magnetic Resonance Imaging, Phlebotomy, Renal Dialysis Technician.

Students wishing to submit their names for consideration in the performance-based selection are required to have already completed the pre-admission requirements. Performance-based acceptances (P.B.A.) will make up no more than 10 percent of total new acceptances for programs. Beginning in Fall 2007, Fall 2008 and Fall 2009, wait lists will be phased out and replaced by the P.B.A.