

CARDIOVASCULAR TECHNOLOGY, B.S.

The Bachelor of Science degree with a major in cardiovascular technology is awarded upon the following:

1. satisfactory completion of at least 100 semester hours of academic work, including all courses prescribed in the curriculum below;
2. satisfactory completion of an intensive CVT training program, accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Cardiovascular Technology.

Admission and Retention Standards for Cardiovascular Technology

Admission to CVT training programs is very competitive, and only a limited number of candidates can be admitted in each class. For this reason the following retention standards are applied during the academic portion of this program at USC:

- Retention. Progressive GPA standards are enforced for continuation in the program. Upon completion of 30 credit hours a minimum GPA of 2.50 is required; at 60 credit hours a minimum GPA of 2.75 is required. Upon completion of the specified academic requirements, only students who have gained admission into an approved CVT training facility will be retained in the program.
- Transfer students admitted to this degree program must complete the last 30 credit hours of academic work in residence at the University of South Carolina prior to entering the intensive CVT training program.
- Students who have already completed a CVT training program or CVT internship will not be eligible for acceptance into this major.

Learning Outcomes

- Student demonstrates oral skills and knowledge by communicating effectively in spoken English.
- Student will be evaluated after completion of the academic portion of the Internship.
- Student will be evaluated monthly during the clinical portion of the internship.
- At the completion of the program of study, the student will be eligible to sit for the national registry exam. From the lecture, laboratory and clinical rotations, the student will demonstrate competency in one of more areas of Cardiovascular Technology.