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

• Students will demonstrate a solid base of knowledge in biology.
• Students will demonstrate a solid base of knowledge in chemistry.
• Students will demonstrate a full range of technical, procedural, and behavioral competencies needed for national certification as a cardiovascular technologist.