#### **Health Sciences**

The Health Science Division offers programs of study leading to the Associate in Applied Science degree in Nursing, Long-term Certificate in Practical Nursing, and Short-term Certificates in Paramedic, Emergency Medical Technician Basic, Emergency Medical Technician Advanced, and Surgical Technology. Certificates of Completion for non-credit, which are one semester, are offered in phlebotomy. The Workforce Development Division at the College also offers a Certificate of Completion in Nursing Assistant, and Dental Assisting.

The majority of programs require that students, upon program completion, pass a test given by a licensure board in order to practice within the discipline. Students should be aware that final determination of eligibility to sit for examination is made by the licensure board after review of the candidate's application and that Bevill State Community College has no control over the decisions of the licensure boards. Other factors may affect eligibility for licensing such as conviction of a criminal offense; conviction of a felony; drug/alcohol abuse or treatment for dependency on alcohol/illegal chemical substances; conviction of driving under the influence of drugs/alcohol and are treatment of mental illness.

Admission to the College does not guarantee admission to a specific health science program of study, as these programs have additional requirements that must be met. Students should carefully review the specific programs of study to determine the requirements and/or the academic course prerequisites/corequisites. Also, the Health Science programs of study have specific ACT and/or Placement Test scores required for admission.

The College is committed to the health and welfare of the students enrolled in the Health Science programs of study. Therefore, various immunization and medical requirements are mandated with enrollment in a program or course. Health Science courses require students to carry health insurance, which is the responsibility of the student. Malpractice insurance is also required and will be included as a fee, payable with the student's tuition. Health Science programs of study require drug screening, background checks, and testing fees, the costs of which are also the responsibility of the student. In addition, housing, travel, parking, and meal expenses while involved in clinical activities are the responsibility of the student.

Clinical facilities utilized by the Health Science programs require drug screening and criminal background checks declaring that the student has no positive drug screens and no criminal history. Therefore, a background check will be required prior to enrollment in the Health Science programs and drug screens will be conducted prior to assigned clinicals as well as randomly throughout student's enrollment during assigned clinicals. The cost of the background check and drug screens related to cause will be the responsibility of the student.

Background checks will be required for all new program admits (mobility, re-admits, etc.) and program transfers if background check is older than one calendar year. Violation of Health Science policies pertaining to a student's positive drug screen and/or a positive background check will result in the student being denied admission to any Health Science program or when already enrolled, the result will be the student's immediate dismissal from the enrolled Health Science program. A dismissal from any Health Science program for disciplinary or unsafe client care will result in a student being ineligible for readmission to any Health Science program offered at Bevill State.

Programs of study within the Health Science Division require specific essential mental and physical capabilities if the student is to be successful. Essential functions for each Health Science program of study are available on the Bevill State website (www.bscc.edu).

NOTE: Bevill State's Health Science Division makes every effort to include relevant, timely and accurate information in the Catalog. However, the Health Science Division reserves the right to make changes in the calendar, admissions policies, expenses, programs, curricula, course descriptions or any other matters addressed or not addressed in this publication. Prospective students and enrolled students should check with college admission officers and academic advisors to learn of any such changes. Also, updates are included in the online version of the Catalog. See <a href="https://www.bscc.edu/catalog">www.bscc.edu/catalog</a>.

#### Nursing

#### **Nursing Degrees**

#### **Nursing**

#### All Locations

The nursing curriculum design is based on conceptual learning to facilitate transfer of knowledge, facilitate collaborative and active learning, focus on problems, foster systematic observations, and focus on nursing actions and interdisciplinary efforts and foster understanding of relationships. The concept-based learning approach helps learners to extrapolate meanings from one concept to another and identify commonalities.

Courses have been carefully planned to provide the student with a continuity of learning experiences. Content is organized in a spiraling manner from simple to complex, building on previous learning and adding new information, while allowing for continual review.

Students will obtain a practical nursing certificate after successful completion of NUR 112, NUR 113, NUR 114, and NUR 115 during the first three semesters of the program. The last two semesters will incorporate more advanced concepts required to ensure competency of the associate degree nurse.

#### Admission Criteria

- 1. Unconditional admission to the college (Application must be updated if student did not attend BSCC the previous semester).
- 2. Original transcripts from all colleges attended must be in the Office of Student Services by the nursing application deadline. Unlike routine college admission, the nursing department does not allow one semester to receive transcripts. Transcripts must be sent by the institution directly to the BSCC Central Records Office.
- 3. A complete nursing application must be submitted online via the BSCC college Website.
- 4. A minimum of 18 ACT composite score (writing component not required), National or Residual, is required and ACT results must be attached to the nursing application. There is no expiration date on ACT for this nursing application.
- 5. A minimum of 2.5 GPA is required on a 4.0 scale based on the nursing required academic core courses. The core college courses are English Composition 1, Intermediate College Algebra, Anatomy & Physiology I, Anatomy and Physiology II, Microbiology, Human Growth & Development, Speech and a Humanities Elective (Art or Music Appreciation, Philosophy, Ethics, Religion, or a foreign language).
- 6. A minimum of 2.5 cumulative GPA is required for high school students without prior college work (GED acceptable).
- 7. Eligibility is required for English Composition I, Intermediate College Algebra, and Anatomy & Physiology I if not previously taken.
- 8. Good standing with the College.
- 9. Meet the Essential Functions for nursing.
- 10. Name of application is current legal name and matches copy of photo ID and name in BSCC system.

Associate degree nursing graduates are encouraged to consider the RN to BSN and/or the RN to BSN/MSN degree offered at four- year universities. To be considered for admission to the RN to BSN track, students may contact their BSCC nursing advisor or the RN Mobility Track advisor at a four-year institution to inquire about additional academic core courses and admission requirements.

#### Graduation

To receive an Associate in Applied Science Degree in Nursing, a student must meet the following requirements:

- 1. File an application for graduation with the Office of Student Services.
- 2. Clear all obligations with the College.
- 3. Students must successfully complete required Nursing curriculum with a grade of "C" (2.0 GPA) or better

Program: Nursing

Type: AAS Degree

#### **First Semester**

Item #	Title	Credits
BIO 201	HUMAN A & P I	4
MTH 100	INTERMEDIATE COLLEGE ALGEBRA	3
ORI 107	STUDENT SURVIVAL SKILLS	1
NUR 112	FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS OF NURSING	7
	Sub-Total Credits	15

#### **Second Semester**

Item #	Title	Credits
ENG 101	ENGLISH COMPOSITION I	3
BIO 202	HUMAN A & P II	4
PSY 210	HUMAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT	3
NUR 113	NURSING CONCEPTS I	8
	Sub-Total Credits	18

#### **Third Semester**

Item #	Title	Credits
	Speech	3
NUR 114	NURSING CONCEPTS II	8
NUR 115	EVIDENCE BASED CLINICAL REASONING	2
	Sub-Total Credits	13

## **Fourth Semester**

Item #	Title	Credits
BIO 220	GENERAL MICROBIOLOGY	4
NUR 211	ADVANCED NURSING CONCEPTS	7
	Sub-Total Credits	11

## **Fifth Semester**

Item #	Title	Credits
	Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3
NUR 221	ADVANCED EVIDENCE BASED CLINICAL REASONING	7
	Sub-Total Credits	10
	Total credits for degree:	67

## Nursing Mobility: LPN & Paramedic to ADN

## All Locations

Upon successful completion of NUR 209, students will be awarded 15 hours of non-traditional credit.

LPN to RN students who completed the concept based curriculum within one academic year from start of mobility program nursing courses, are exempt from taking NUR 209. These students will enter the nursing mobility program at NUR 211.

PROGRESSION: Students with two non-progressions in the mobility program must reapply and be accepted to start over in NUR 209, even if the student started the program in NUR 211. Students may elect to apply to the ADN program from the beginning.

Program: Nursing

## First Semester — Required Pre-Requisite Classes

NOTE: Valid, unencumbered Alabama PN license or Paramedic license is required. Non-nursing applicants must provide a nurse aide certification with certification within the past 24 months

\*\*Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) Certified Nurse Aide Registry (https://dph1.adph.state.al.us/NurseAideRegistry/)

Item #	Title	Credits
BIO 201	HUMAN A & P I	4
MTH 100	INTERMEDIATE COLLEGE ALGEBRA	3
ORI 107	STUDENT SURVIVAL SKILLS	1
ENG 101	ENGLISH COMPOSITION I	3
BIO 202	HUMAN A & P II	4
PSY 210	HUMAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT	3
	Speech	3
	Sub-Total Credits	21

#### **First Semester**

Item #	Title	Credits
NUR 209	CONCEPTS FOR HEALTHCARE TRANSITION STUDENTS	10
	Sub-Total Credits	10

#### **Second Semester**

Item #	Title	Credits
BIO 220	GENERAL MICROBIOLOGY	4
NUR 211	ADVANCED NURSING CONCEPTS	7
	Sub-Total Credits	11

## **Third Semester**

Item #	Title	Credits
	Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3
NUR 221	ADVANCED EVIDENCE BASED CLINICAL REASONING	7
	Sub-Total Credits	10
	Total credits for degree:	52

# **Nursing Program Policies**

In order to continue in the nursing program, the student must:

- 1. Maintain a grade of "C" or better in all required general education and nursing courses and maintain a 2.0 cumulative GPA at current institution.
- 2. Complete all required general education courses according to the Alabama Community College System (ACCS) Nursing Education curriculum unless completed prior to admission. Any exceptions must be approved by the Dean of Health Sciences.
- 3. Maintain ability to meet essential functions for nursing with or without reasonable accommodations.
- 4. Maintain current CPR certification; American Heart Association (AHA) at the health care provider level.
- 5. Complete all nursing courses in the prescribed sequence. If a student withdraws or makes a "D" or an "F" in a nursing course, the student cannot progress in the nursing course sequence until the course is repeated successfully. **Course repetition will be based on instructor availability and program resources.**
- 6. Adhere to the Bevill State Conduct Code and the Code of Ethics for Professional Nurses. **Nursing faculty reserves the right at any time to require the dismissal of any student whose conduct or clinical performance is regarded as unsatisfactory.** In such situations, an "F" will be entered on the student's transcript. Students receiving an "F" for this reason will not be eligible for readmission into any Health Science program at Bevill State.
- 7. The nursing faculty reserves the right to withdraw any student from the program if a clinical agency refuses to allow that student clinical experiences.
- 8. Submit a satisfactory health physical & immunization upon admission. The TB skin test and flu vaccine annually.
- 9. Maintain health insurance coverage throughout the program.
- Adhere to current program attendance policy.
- 11. Obtain the required Bevill State student uniform.
- 12. Complete the required program semester hours to qualify for graduation. Some variation is allowed to accommodate transfer credit for colleges on a quarter hour system. An overall 2.0 GPA is required for graduation. Requirements for graduation are outlined in the College Catalog.
- 13. Function within the scope of practice as defined by the current Alabama Board of Nursing Nurse Practice Act.
- 14. There shall be no auditing allowed for Nursing classes.

## **Nursing Non-Progression**

Nursing non-progression is defined as failure of one or more courses in a semester OR withdrawal (for any reason) from one or more courses in two separate semesters. Two instances of non-progression will result in dismissal from the nursing program. Students will be required to apply for program admission as a new student and must submit all application criteria. If accepted as a new student the student must take, or retake all nursing program courses.

#### Reinstatement

Reinstatement is defined by ACCS as: Students who have withdrawal or failure in a nursing course and are eligible to return to that course will be considered for reinstatement to the program. Students who experience nursing non-progression in the nursing program and who desire reinstatement in the program must apply for reinstatement to the program by scheduling an appointment with the appropriate campus division chair to discuss the reinstatement process.

Reinstatement to the program will be allowed one time only. A student must **request reinstatement within one year from the term of non-progression to be eligible for reinstatement.** Students dismissed from the program for disciplinary reasons and/or unsafe client care in the clinical area will NOT be allowed reinstatement to the nursing program. Students must adhere to nursing curriculum and program policies and procedures in effect at the time of reinstatement.

In order to be reinstated, a student must:

- 1. Verify student compliance with admission criteria to nursing program. This includes ACT of 18 or higher, Nursing academic GPA of 2.5, and BSCC GPA of 2.0 at the time of readmission.
- 2. Based on clinical space availability at the particular campus where non-progression occurred, rank order final course average to two decimal places.
- 3. If there are clinical spaces available to meet each request for readmission, all students will be approved to reenter the nursing course where the non-progression occurred.
- 4. All readmissions must occur within a calendar year from the semester where the non-progression occurred.
- 5. According to ACCS nursing program policies, any student with 2 non-progressions during an admission cycle must re-start the nursing curriculum at the beginning.
- 6. Meet acceptable criteria for placement at clinical agencies for clinical experiences.
- 7. Demonstrate current American Heart Association CPR at the health care provider level.
- 8. Failure to follow these procedures may result in denial of reinstatement to the program.
- 9. Any changes in the program curriculum, admissions criteria, or procedures will be applicable upon the student's reinstatement.
- 10. Students are required to update all drug testing and background screening according to program policy.

#### Readmission

Readmission is defined by ACCS as: Students not eligible for program reinstatement may apply for program admission as a new student. If accepted as a new student, the student must take or retake all nursing program courses.

## **Transfer Student Admission**

This transfer policy applies only to students desiring to transfer between ACCS institutions.

Students wishing to transfer must:

- 1. Meet the minimum admission standards for the nursing program and demonstrate competency as defined by the instructor (see #12).
- 2. Possess a GPA of 2.0 in all nursing program required courses taken at another institution at time of transfer. Nursing course credit will only be accepted from accredited nursing programs.
- 3. Dean/Director of previous nursing program must provide a letter of eligibility for progression in previous nursing program.
- 4. Be a student in good standing and eligible to return to the previous nursing program.
- 5. Comply with all program policy requirements at accepting institution.
- 6. Complete at least 25 percent of the nursing program required courses for degree/certificate at the accepting institution.
- 7. Acceptance of transfer students into nursing programs is limited by the number of faculty and clinical facilities available. Meeting minimal standards does not guarantee acceptance.
- 8. Applicants must possess certain physical and mental abilities to meet the required essential functions of the nursing program. A list of Essential Functions is available in the nursing office or www.bscc.edu in the Nursing Student Handbook.
- 9. Applicants must meet program health requirements.
- 10. The Nursing Director will make recommendations to the Dean of Health Sciences for acceptance of prior nursing course(s) credit.
- 11. Must meet acceptability criteria for placement at clinical agencies for clinical experience.
- 12. Transfer students will be required to pass a dose calculation exam at 100%. Only one re-test will be allowed. After successful completion of the dose calculation exam, a written nursing skills exam must be passed at 80% or higher. Students will then be required to satisfactorily check off nursing procedures in the college campus lab under the supervision of a faculty member. The required skills include but are not limited to: head-to-toe physical assessment, sterile urinary catheter insertion, sterile suctioning, injection sites, medication administration, nasogastric tube intubation.

#### Transient Student Policy

The transient policy applies only to students desiring to enroll as a transient student in Alabama Community College System institutions.

It does not apply to students wishing to enroll as a transient student at other institutions.

#### Criteria for Transient Status

- 1. Must meet minimum admission standards for the nursing program.
- 2. Must possess a GPA of 2.0 in all nursing program required courses taken at another institution.

- 3. Dean/Director of previous nursing program must provide a letter of eligibility for progression in previous nursing program.
- 4. A student seeking enrollment as a transient student must follow procedures in place at both the parent institution and the receiving college. Additionally, the student must receive prior approval for the parent institution's nursing program dean/director for any nursing courses taken on a transient basis as well as approval from the nursing program dean/director of the receiving college to enroll.
- 5. Transient students must complete a Transcript Request Form at the end of the term before a transcript will be issued to the primary institution.
- 6. Must comply with all program policy requirements at accepting institution.
- 7. Must meet acceptability criteria for placement at clinical agencies for a clinical experience
- 8. Acceptance of transient student into a nursing program is limited by the number of faculty and clinical facilities available. Meeting minimal standards does not guarantee acceptance.
- 9. Student selection for transient status is based on GPA in nursing program required courses.

## **Dismissal Policy**

A dismissal from any Health Science program for disciplinary or unsafe client care will result in a student being ineligible for readmission to any Health Science program offered at Bevill

## **Health Requirements**

- 1. Nursing faculty reserve the right to require, at any time, proof of a student's physical, mental, and/or emotional health. The nursing faculty may require students to receive, at the student's expense, counseling and/or medical treatment in order to continue in the nursing program. If treatment is required, the student must provide documentation from the attending physician/primary healthcare provider of the student's ability to perform nursing skills effectively.
- 2. Clinical agencies/facilities require the school to provide evidence that student participants are not under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Students will be required, at their own expense, to have an initial drug screen at a time and place determined by the faculty prior to entering clinicals. In addition, random drug screens will be conducted throughout the curriculum. If a drug screen is non-negative, the student will be immediately dismissed from the nursing program.
- 3. A student who is hospitalized/treated for any existing health problem which may physically or emotionally impair their ability to provide safe and competent clinical care, must submit a statement from the physician/primary healthcare provider indicating ability to continue in clinicals and/or the program.
- 4. A completed health form must be submitted to the Division Chair/Coordinator. In addition, students must comply with any additional health requirements of clinical agencies.
- 5. All students must present verification of health insurance as part of compliance certification, as well as maintain their health insurance coverage throughout enrollment in the nursing curriculum.

#### **Tardiness**

Regular and punctual attendance is required. A student who is not in the class/lab/clinical at its beginning will be counted tardy. Three tardies will count as one absence according to Nursing policy. A detailed description may be found in the nursing program policy.

#### **Attendance**

It is the student's responsibility to be aware of the exact number of absences in each class. If absences exceed the number of times a class/lab/clinical meets per week, the student will fail the course which, subsequently, will prevent the student from progressing in the curriculum.

#### **Grading Scale**

Students may earn the following grades in nursing courses:

- A: 90 to 100
- B: 80 to 89
- C: 75 to 79
- D: 60 to 74
- F: 59 and below

Test scores are not rounded to the next whole number (i.e. 78.6 is 78.6). Only the final course grade is rounded – 0.5 or higher is raised to the next whole number.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE ABOVE STIPULATIONS/POLICIES WHILE IN THE NURSING PROGRAM CONSTITUTES GROUNDS FOR DISMISSAL FROM THE PROGRAM.

#### **Licensure Information**

It is imperative that nursing students meet the legal, moral, and legislative standards which are utilized to determine acceptable behavior for the nurse (RN/PN). Each prospective nursing student should be aware of the Alabama Board of Nursing's regulations regarding the review of applicants for eligibility for initial and continuing licensure.

According to the Nurse Practice Act. Licenses §34-21-25(b)(1) The board may also deny, revoke, or suspend any license issued by it or otherwise discipline a licensee upon proof of any of the following regarding the licensee:

- 1. Is guilty of fraud or deceit in process or attempting to procure a license.
- 2. Has been convicted of a felony.
- 3. Is guilty of a crime involving moral turpitude or of gross immorality that would tend to bring reproach upon the nursing profession.
- 4. Is unfit or incompetent due to the use of alcohol, or is addicted to the use of habit-forming drugs to such an extent as to render him or her unsafe or unreliable as a licensee.
- 5. Is unable to safely practice nursing with reasonable skill and safety to patients by reason of illness, inebriation, excessive use of drugs, narcotics, alcohol, chemicals, or any other substance, or as a result of any mental or physical condition.
- 6. Has been convicted of any violation of a federal or state law relating to controlled substances.
- 7. Is guilty of unprofessional conduct of character likely to deceive, defraud, or injure the public in matters pertaining to health.
- 8. Has willfully or repeatedly violated this article, as defined by board rules and regulations.

Students who complete the program meet the educational qualifications of the Alabama Board of Nursing for writing the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN/PN). However, completion of the academic program in no way assures the student of eligibility to write the exam or of licensure. The final decision for eligibility to write the NCLEX is made by the Alabama Board of Nursing after review of the candidates application.

## Qualifications of Applicants for Licensure

Qualifications of applicants for licensure is outlined in the Alabama Board of Nursing Administrative Code 610-X-4-.02.

- 1. The applicant for licensure shall:
  - 1. Be a high school graduate or the equivalent, as determined by the Board.
  - 2. Be of good moral character. A criminal background check may be conducted by the Board at its discretion.
  - 3. For registered nurse licensure, graduated or successfully completed all requirements for graduation from an approved registered nursing program in Alabama, or an approved registered nursing program located in another jurisdiction or territory that substantially meets the same educational criteria as Alabama programs. Licensure by equivalency does not meet the requirement.
  - 4. For practical nurse licensure, graduated or successfully completed an approved practical nursing program in Alabama, or an approved practical nursing program located in another jurisdiction or territory that substantially meets the same educational criteria as Alabama programs. Licensure by equivalency does not meet the requirement.
- 2. An applicant shall provide a valid social security number prior to the Board issuing a license.
- 3. Be a citizen or legal resident of the United States. Individuals who are not legally present in the United States are not eligible for licensure.

For further information regarding program requirements, contact the nursing program department located on any Bevill State campus.

#### **Paramedic**

The Paramedic Program offers several options. It is recommended that the student consult the EMS faculty for advising regarding the different options.

#### **Paramedic**

**Sumiton Campus** 

#### **Sumiton Campus**

## Admission Requirements/Program Policy

Applicants must be 18 years old, possess a GED or high school diploma and complete all general college application requirements. Applicants must comply with the Essential Functions of the program and provide a current (within the last 6 months) physical exam including up-to-date immunizations. The student must provide verification of current health insurance.

Applicants must adhere to the Alabama Department of Public Health Administrative Code, Chapter 420-2-1. Applicants must possess a valid, current CPR card.

This program is designed to provide the training necessary for successful completion of the requirements for Paramedic, to enable the student to take the National Registry of Paramedics Exam, and, if successful, to obtain an Alabama license. The program goal is to prepare competent entry-level Paramedics in the cognitive, psychomotor, and affective domains. The length of the program is five semesters.

- 1. Clinical agencies/facilities require the College to provide evidence that student participants are not under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Students will be required, at their own expense, to have an initial drug screen at a time and place determined by the faculty prior to entering clinicals. In addition, random drug screens may be conducted throughout the curriculum. If a drug screen is non-negative, the student will be immediately dismissed from the Paramedic program.
- 2. If there is reasonable cause to believe a student is in violation of the institutional conduct code, such as observable changes in behavior, performance, appearance, or speech, the student will be dismissed from the Paramedic program immediately.
- 3. Certain clinical facilities utilized by the Paramedic program require criminal background checks declaring that the student has no criminal history. Therefore, a background check will be required upon enrollment in the program. The cost of the background check/affidavit will be the responsibility of the student. Issues pertaining to a student's positive background check may result in the student being denied admission to or dismissal from the Paramedic program.
- 4. Paramedic program faculty reserve the right to require, at any time, proof of a student's physical, mental, and/or emotional health. All students must be able to perform the Essential Functions. The faculty may require students to receive, at the student's expense, counseling and/or medical treatment in order to continue in the Paramedic program. If treatment is required, the student must provide documentation from the attending physician/primary healthcare provider of the student's ability to perform skills effectively.
- 5. A student who is treated or hospitalized for any health problem must submit a statement from the physician/primary healthcare provider indicating ability to continue in clinicals and/or the program.
- 6. A completed health form must be submitted. In addition, students must comply with any additional health requirements of clinical agencies.
- 7. All students must present verification of health insurance coverage before attending the first scheduled clinical day, as well as maintain this health insurance coverage throughout the program of study.
- 8. Dismissal from the program will result in a student being ineligible for readmission to the Paramedic program or any other Health Science program offered at Bevill State.
- 9. The grading scale is A: 92-100; B: 83-91; C: 75-82; F: 74-Below.
- 10. At no time will a student be substituted for staff during a hospital or prehospital clinical.
- 11. There is no advanced placement, experimental learning credit, or challenge for EMS courses.
- 12. EMS courses are progressive during the semester and each course must be successfully completed to continue into the following semester.

Program: Paramedic

Type: AAS Degree

#### **General Studies Courses**

Item #	Title	Credits
ORI 107	STUDENT SURVIVAL SKILLS	1
ENG 101	ENGLISH COMPOSITION I	3
	Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3
MTH 116	MATHEMATICAL APPLICATIONS	3
BIO 103	PRINCIPLES OF BIOLOGY I	4
PSY 200	GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY	3
	Sub-Total Credits	17

#### **Field of Concentration Courses**

Item #	Title	Credits
EMS 118	EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN	9
EMS 119	EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN CLINICAL	1
EMS 155	ADVANCED EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN	7
EMS 156	ADVANCED EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN CLINICAL	2
EMS 241	PARAMEDIC CARDIOLOGY	3
EMS 242	PARAMEDIC PATIENT ASSESSMENT	2
EMS 244	PARAMEDIC CLINICAL I	1
EMS 245	PARAMEDIC MEDICAL EMERGENCIES	3
EMS 246	PARAMEDIC TRAUMA MANAGEMENT	3
EMS 247	PARAMEDIC SPECIAL POPULATIONS	2
EMS 248	PARAMEDIC CLINICAL II	3
EMS 253	PARAMEDIC TRANSITION TO THE WORKFORCE	2
EMS 254	ADVANCED COMPETENCIES FOR THE PARAMEDIC	2
EMS 255	PARAMEDIC FIELD PRECEPTORSHIP	5
EMS 256	PARAMEDIC TEAM LEADERSHIP	1
EMS 257	PARAMEDIC APPLIED PHARMACOLOGY	2
	Sub-Total Credits	48
	Total credits for degree:	65

## Paramedic Short Term Certificate (EM3)

Sumiton Campus

## Admission Requirements

Applicants must be 18 years old, possess a GED or high school diploma and complete all general college application requirements. Applicants must comply with the Essential Functions of the program and provide a current (within the last 6 months) physical exam including up-to-date immunizations. The student must provide verification of current health insurance.

Applicants must adhere to the Alabama Department of Public Health Administrative Code, Chapter 420-2-1. Applicants must possess a valid or current CPR card.

There are three entry points to this program:

- 1. Successfully completed EMT.
- 2. Successfully completed EMT and Advanced EMT.
- 3. Completed all academic courses, hold an associate degree or higher and possess an Alabama healthcare provider license acceptable to the program.

This program is designed to provide the training necessary for successful completion of the requirements for Paramedic, to enable the student to take the National Registry of EMTs Paramedic Exam, and, if successful, to obtain an Alabama Paramedic license. The length of the program is three semesters.

- 1. Clinical agencies/facilities require the school to provide evidence that student participants are not under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Students will be required, at their own expense, to have an initial drug screen at a time and place determined by the faculty prior to entering clinicals. In addition, random drug screens will be conducted throughout the curriculum. If a drug screen is non-negative, the student will be immediately dismissed from the Paramedic program.
- 2. If there is reasonable cause to believe a student is in violation of the institutional conduct code, such as observable changes in behavior, performance, appearance, or speech, the student will be dismissed from the Paramedic program immediately.
- 3. Certain clinical facilities utilized by the Paramedic program require criminal background checks declaring that the student has no criminal history. Therefore, a background check will be required upon enrollment in the program. The cost of the background check will be the responsibility of the student. Issues pertaining to a student's positive background check may result in the student being denied admission to or dismissal from the Paramedic program.
- 4. Paramedic program faculty reserves the right to require, at any time, proof of a student's physical, mental, and/or emotional health. All students must be able to perform the Essential Functions. The faculty may require students to receive, at the student's expense, counseling and/or medical treatment in order to continue in the Paramedic program. If treatment is required, the student must provide documentation from the attending physician/primary healthcare provider of the student's ability to perform skills effectively.

- 5. A student who is treated or hospitalized for any health problem must submit a statement from the physician/primary healthcare provider indicating ability to continue in clinicals and/or the program.
- 6. A completed health form must be submitted. In addition, students must comply with any additional health requirements of clinical agencies.
- 7. All students must present verification of health insurance coverage before attending the first scheduled clinical day, as well as maintain this health insurance coverage throughout the program of study.
- 8. Dismissal from the program will result in a student being ineligible for readmission to the Paramedic program or any other Health Science program offered at Bevill State.
- 9. The grading scale is A: 92-100; B: 83-91; C: 75-82; F: 74-Below
- 10. At no time will a student be substituted for staff during a hospital or prehospital clinical.
- 11. There is no advance placement, experiential learning credit, or challenge for EMS courses.
- 12. EMS Courses are progressive during the semester and each course must be successfully completed to continue into the following semester.
- 13. Students must possess National Registry of EMT (NREMT) certification at the EMT level to be eligible to take the Paramedic certification.

Upon completion of program requirements students must pass licensure exam for employment purposes.

Program: Paramedic

Type: Short-Term Certificate

#### **Field of Concentration Courses**

ORI 107 is a pre/co-requisite for this degree.

Item #	Title	Credits
EMS 241	PARAMEDIC CARDIOLOGY	3
EMS 242	PARAMEDIC PATIENT ASSESSMENT	2
EMS 244	PARAMEDIC CLINICAL I	1
EMS 245	PARAMEDIC MEDICAL EMERGENCIES	3
EMS 246	PARAMEDIC TRAUMA MANAGEMENT	3
EMS 247	PARAMEDIC SPECIAL POPULATIONS	2
EMS 248	PARAMEDIC CLINICAL II	3
EMS 253	PARAMEDIC TRANSITION TO THE WORKFORCE	2
EMS 254	ADVANCED COMPETENCIES FOR THE PARAMEDIC	2
EMS 255	PARAMEDIC FIELD PRECEPTORSHIP	5
EMS 256	PARAMEDIC TEAM LEADERSHIP	1
EMS 257	PARAMEDIC APPLIED PHARMACOLOGY	2
	Sub-Total Credits	29
	Total credits for degree:	29

## Advanced - Emergency Medical Technician EMT Short Term Certificate (EM2)

Sumiton Campus

Fayette, Hamilton & Sumiton Campuses

#### Admission Requirements

Applicants must be 18 years old, possess a GED or high school diploma and complete all general college application requirements. Applicants must comply with the Essential Functions of the program and provide a current (within the last 6 months) physical exam including up-to-date immunizations. Upon entry into the program the student must provide verification of current health insurance. Applicants must adhere to the Alabama Department of Public Health Administrative Code, Chapter 420-2-1. Applicants must possess a valid, current CPR card.

- 1. Clinical agencies/facilities require the College to provide evidence that student participants are not under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Students will be required, at their own expense, to have an initial drug screen at a time and place determined by the faculty prior to entering clinicals. In addition, random drug screens will be conducted throughout the curriculum. If a drug screen is non-negative, the student will be immediately dismissed from the EMT program.
- 2. If there is reasonable cause to believe a student is in violation of the institutional conduct code, such as observable changes in behavior, performance, appearance, or speech, the student will be dismissed from the EMT program immediately. Certain clinical facilities utilized by the EMT program require criminal background checks declaring that the student has no criminal history. Therefore, a background check will be required upon enrollment in the EMT program. The cost of the background check will be the responsibility of the student. Issues pertaining to a student's positive background check may result in the student being denied admission to or dismissal from the EMT program.
- 3. Emergency Medical Technician faculty reserves the right to require, at any time, proof of a student's physical, mental, and/or emotional health. All students must be able to perform the Essential Functions. The faculty may require students to receive, at the student's expense, counseling and/or medical treatment in order to continue in the program. If treatment is required, the student must provide documentation from the attending physician/primary healthcare provider of the student's ability to perform skills effectively.
- 4. There is no advance placement, experiential learning credit, or challenge for EMS courses.
- 5. EMS courses are progressive during the semester and each course must be successfully completed to continue into the following semester.

Upon completion of program requirements students must pass licensure exam for employment purposes.

Program: Paramedic

Type: Short-Term Certificate

#### Field of Concentration Courses - Advanced EMT

ORI 107 is a pre/co-requisite for this certificate.

Item #	Title	Credits
EMS 155	ADVANCED EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN	7
EMS 156	ADVANCED EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN CLINICAL	2
	Sub-Total Credits	9
	Total credits for degree:	9

## Emergency Medical Technician EMT Short Term Certificate (EM1)

**Sumiton Campus** 

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## **Admission Requirements**

Applicants must be 18 years old, possess a GED or high school diploma and complete all general college application requirements. Applicants must comply with the Essential Functions of the program and provide a current (within the last 6 months) physical exam including up-to-date immunizations. Upon entry into the program the student must provide verification of current health insurance. Applicants must adhere to the Alabama Department of Public Health Administrative Code, Chapter 420-2-1.

- 1. Clinical agencies/facilities require the College to provide evidence that student participants are not under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Students will be required, at their own expense, to have an initial drug screen at a time and place determined by the faculty prior to entering clinicals. In addition, random drug screens will be conducted throughout the curriculum. If a drug screen is positive, the student will be immediately dismissed from the EMT program.
- 2. If there is reasonable cause to believe a student is in violation of the institutional conduct code, such as observable changes in behavior, performance, appearance, or speech, the student will be dismissed from the EMT program immediately.
- 3. Certain clinical facilities utilized by the EMT program require criminal background checks declaring that the student has no criminal history. Therefore, a background check will be required prior to enrollment in the EMT program. The cost of the background check will be the responsibility of the student. Issues pertaining to a student's positive background check may result in the student being denied admission to or dismissal program from the EMT program.
- 4. Emergency Medical Technician faculty reserves the right to require, at any time, proof of a student's physical, mental, and/or emotional health. All students must be able to perform the Essential Functions. The faculty may require students to receive, at the student's expense, counseling and/or medical treatment in order to continue in the program. If treatment is required, the student must provide documentation from the attending physician/primary healthcare provider of the student's ability to perform skills effectively.
- 5. A student who is hospitalized for any existing health problem must submit a statement from the physician/primary healthcare provider indicating ability to continue in clinicals and/or the program.
- 6. A completed health form must be submitted to the EMS Program Director. In addition, students must comply with any additional health requirements of clinical agencies.
- 7. All students must present verification of health insurance coverage before attending the first scheduled class day, as well as maintain this health insurance coverage throughout the program of study.
- 8. A dismissal from the EMT program will result in a student being ineligible for readmission to the EMT program or any other Health Science program offered at Bevill State.
- 9. At no time will a student be substituted for staff during a hospital or prehospital clinical.
- 10. There is no advance placement, experiential learning credit, or challenge for EMS courses.

Upon completion of program requirements students must pass licensure exam for employment purposes.

Program: Paramedic

Type: Short-Term Certificate

#### Field of Concentration Courses - EMT

ORI 107 is a pre/co-requisite for this certificate.

Item #	Title	Credits
EMS 118	EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN	9
EMS 119	EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN CLINICAL	1
	Sub-Total Credits	10
	Total credits for degree:	10

# Surgical Technology Surgical Technology

**Sumiton Campus** 

The goal of Bevill State Community College's Surgical Technology Program is to produce knowledgeable graduates who have developed the essential behaviors of the profession, are prepared to successfully complete the National Board for Surgical Technology Certification Exam, and can perform as skilled entry-level surgical technologists. The program will accomplish this through education in the cognitive (knowledge), psychomotor (skills), and affective (attitude) learning domains. The program provides the qualified and motivated applicant with learning experiences that are supportive and responsive to individual needs. These experiences are facilitated by qualified faculty and/or preceptors and are designed to help students learn to apply theory to practice.

Effective July 1, 2011 colleges are required to disclose certain information for any Title IV eligible program that prepares students for gainful employment (as defined by the US Department of Education) in a recognized occupation. The Surgical Technology program has been identified as a Gainful Employment program. Disclosure information about the programs can be found at http://www.bscc.edu/SurgTechGainful

## **Admission Requirements**

Applicants must possess a GED or high school diploma, complete all general application requirements for admission to the College and score at least a 4 in writing and 200 in math on the Accuplacer exam or have a 16 composite score on the ACT exam. Accuplacer test scores are waived for applicants with a grade of "C' or higher for English 101 and Math 116 or higher. Students must be in good standing at the College possessing an overall GPA of 2.0. There is also a separate Surgical Technology online application that must be completed when applying to the surgical technology program. Eligible students may be required to interview with the program director and faculty as part of the admissions process. Students are scored during the interview using a scoring rubric. All applicants will be notified by mail of admission decisions.

- 1. Clinical agencies/facilities require the College to provide evidence that student participants are not under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Students will be required, at their own expense, to have an initial drug screen at a time and place determined by the faculty prior to entering clinicals. In addition, random drug screens will be conducted throughout the curriculum. If a drug screen is positive, the student will be immediately dismissed from the SUR program.
- 2. If there is reasonable cause to believe a student is in violation of the institutional conduct code, such as observable changes in behavior, performance, appearance, or speech, the student will be dismissed from the SUR program immediately.
- 3. Certain clinical facilities utilized by the SUR program require criminal background checks declaring that the student has no criminal history. Upon conditional admission to the Surgical Technology program, a clear background check will be required before registration in the Surgical Technology program will be complete. The cost of the background check will be the responsibility of the student. Issues pertaining to a student's positive background check will result in the student being denied admission to the SUR program.
- 4. SUR faculty reserves the right to require, at any time, proof of a student's physical, mental, and/or emotional health. The faculty may require students to receive, at the student's expense, counseling and/or medical treatment in order to continue in the SUR program. If treatment is required, the student must provide documentation from the attending physician/primary healthcare provider of the student's ability to perform skills effectively.
- 5. A student who is hospitalized for any existing health problem must submit a statement from the physician/primary healthcare provider indicating ability to continue in clinicals and/or the program.
- 6. A completed health form must be submitted and cleared prior to registration. In addition, students must comply with any additional health requirements of clinical agencies.
- 7. All students must present verification of health insurance coverage prior to registration, as well as maintain this health insurance coverage throughout the program of study.
- 8. A dismissal from the SUR program will result in a student being ineligible for readmission to the SUR program or any other Health Science program offered at Bevill State.

#### Clinical requirements per core curriculum:

The minimum number of clinical cases which must be completed is 120. Students are required to complete at least 30 cases in General Surgery. Twenty of these cases must be in the first scrub role. Students are required to complete at least 90 cases in various surgical specialties. At least 60 of these cases must be in the first scrub role and evenly distributed between a minimum of 5 surgical specialties. However, 15 is the maximum number of cases that can be counted in any one surgical specialty. The surgical technology program is required to verify through the surgical case log the student1s progression in first and second scrubbing surgical procedures and the levels of difficulty as the student moves forward toward entry level graduate abilities. Diagnostic endoscopy cases and vaginal delivery cases are not mandatory. However, up to 10 diagnostic cases and 5 vaginal delivery cases can be counted towards the maximum number of second scrub role cases. Observation cases must be documented, but do not count towards the 120 cases.

Program: Surgical Technology

Type: Short-Term Certificate

## **Field of Concentration Courses**

Item #	Title	Credits
ORI 107	STUDENT SURVIVAL SKILLS	1
SUR 107	SURGICAL ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY	3
SUR 100	PRINCIPLES OF SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY	5
SUR 102	APPLIED SURGICAL TECHNIQUES	4
SUR 103	SURGICAL PROCEDURES	5
SUR 104	SURGICAL PRACTICUM I	4
SUR 105	SURGICAL PRACTICUM II	5
SUR 106	ROLE TRANSITION IN SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY	1
SUR 208	SPECIAL TOPICS IN SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY	1
	Sub-Total Credits	29
	Total credits for degree:	29

#### **Phlebotomy**

Phlebotomy (MLT)

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#### Non-collegiate Award

Laboratory Phlebotomy courses are designed to train individuals to properly collect and handle blood specimens for laboratory testing and to interact with health care personnel, patients, and the general public. The courses are designed to prepare individuals to write the Clinical Laboratory Phlebotomist Examination.

## **Admission Requirements**

Applicants must possess a GED or high school diploma and complete all general application requirements. Students must be admitted to the College. Prior to clinical placement the student must show proof of hospitalization insurance.

- 1. Clinical agencies/facilities require the College to provide evidence that student participants are not under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Students will be required, at their own expense, to have an initial drug screen at a time and place determined by the faculty prior to entering clinicals. In addition, random drug screens may be conducted throughout the curriculum. If a drug screen is positive, the student may be immediately dismissed from the program. Also, if there is reasonable cause to believe a student is in violation of the institutional conduct code, such as observable changes in behavior, performance, appearance or speech, the student will be dismissed from the program immediately.
- 2. Faculty reserves the right to require, at any time, proof of a student's physical, mental, and/or emotional health. The faculty may require students to receive, at the student's expense, counseling and/or medical treatment in order to continue in the program. If treatment is required, the student must provide documentation from the attending physician/primary healthcare provider of the student's ability to perform skills effectively.
- 3. A student who is hospitalized/treated for any existing health problem which may physically or emotionally impair their ability to provide safe and competent client care, must submit a statement from the physician/primary healthcare provider indicating ability to continue in clinicals and/or the program.
- 4. A completed health form is required. In addition, students must comply with any additional health requirements of clinical agencies
- 5. All students must provide verification of health insurance coverage and maintain this health insurance coverage throughout the program of study.
- 6. Certain clinical facilities utilized by the Phlebotomy program require criminal background checks declaring that the student has no criminal history. Therefore, a background check will be required prior to enrollment in the program. The cost of the background check will be the responsibility of the student. Issues pertaining to a student's positive background check may result in the student being denied admission to the Phlebotomy program.
- 7. Documentation validating recent Tb skin test & HepB immunization must be submitted to the course instructor prior to placement in assigned clinical. In addition, students must comply with any additional health requirements of clinical agencies.
- 8. Upon completion of the course of study, students will be eligible but not required to take the ASPT certification exam.
- 9. Tuition is not covered by Federal Pell Grant, but may be covered by the G.I. Bill, Vocational Rehabilitation or a GED tuition waiver.
- 10. A primary health care provider must sign that the applicant meets the essential functions.

Program: Phlebotomy (MLT)

#### **Field of Concentration Courses**

Item #	Title	Credits
MLT 101	PHLEBOTOMY CERTIFICATION	3
MLT 102	PHLEBOTOMY CLINICAL	4
	Sub-Total Credits	7
	Total credits for degree:	7