

Dental Assisting—Hybrid Track

Average # of students declared Pre DAS: 150

Average # of applicants: 30

of students accepted into the program: 15-20

Grade expectations of students accepted into the program:
Desirable 3.0 GPA

Course repeat policy—prerequisites: Two attempts

Criminal history policy: No felonies. No criminal charges related to drug offenses, embezzlement, forgery, robbery, violent acts and child abuse. Background check required.

Important considerations for students: Students must attend a Dental Assisting advising session. Traditional lecture is online. Laboratory classes meet 8am-5pm on Saturdays. The last two blocks of the program require students to complete 300 hours of clinical experience in a dental office under a dentist's supervision. Hours for the clinical will match the office hours for the particular clinical site. Demanding curriculum.

Dental Assisting—Traditional Track

Average # of students declared Pre DAS: 150

Average # of applicants: 100

of students accepted into the program: 20-24

Grade expectations of students accepted into the program:
Desirable 3.0 GPA

Test score policy: COMPASS or ACT scores will be factored into the selection of successful candidates

Course repeat policy—prerequisites: Two attempts

Criminal history policy: No felonies. No criminal charges related to drug offenses, embezzlement, forgery, robbery, violent acts and child abuse. Background check required.

Important considerations for students: Students are required to attend a Dental Assisting advising session. The program is a full-time, daytime commitment. 8am-3pm or 8am-5pm, Monday through Friday. The last two blocks of the program require students to complete 300 hours of clinical experience in a dental office under a dentist's supervision. Hours for the clinical will match the office hours for the particular clinical site. Demanding curriculum.

Dental Hygiene

Average # of students declared Pre DHY: 210

Average # of applicants: 80

of students accepted into the program: 18

Grade expectations of students accepted into the program:
Minimum 3.0 GPA

Percentage of students accepted into the program with previous medical experience: 50%

Course repeat policy—prerequisites: Two attempts

Criminal history policy: No felonies. No criminal charges related to drug offenses, embezzlement, forgery, robbery, violent acts and child abuse. Background check required.

Important considerations for students: Working full-time during the program is strongly discouraged. Difficult curriculum. Students are required to attend a Dental Hygiene advising session. Demanding curriculum.

Emergency Medical Technician—Basic

Average # of students declared Pre EMT: 140

Average # of applicants: 60

of students accepted into the program: 20

Grade expectations of students accepted into the program:
Minimum 2.8 GPA

Percentage of students accepted into the program with previous medical experience: Over 50%

Course repeat policy—prerequisites: Two attempts

Criminal history policy: No felonies. No criminal charges related to drug offenses, embezzlement, forgery, robbery, violent acts and child abuse. Background check required.

Important considerations for students: All classes are held in the evening, but clinicals (24 hours) and field internships (24 hours) are daytime/evening hours. Must pass each unit and final exam with 75% or better. Demanding curriculum.

Emergency Medical Technician—Intermediate

Average # of students declared Pre EMT: 140

Average # of applicants: 15

of students accepted into the program: 20

Grade expectations of students accepted into the program:

Minimum 2.8 GPA

Percentage of students accepted into the program with previous medical experience: 80%

Course repeat policy—prerequisites: Two attempts

Criminal history policy: No felonies. No criminal charges related to drug offenses, embezzlement, forgery, robbery, violent acts and child abuse. Background check required.

Important considerations for students: All classes are held in the evening, but clinicals (100 hours) and field internships (150 hours) are daytime/evening hours. Must pass each unit and final exam with 75% or better. Demanding curriculum.

Emergency Medical Technician—Paramedic

Average # of students declared Pre EMT: 140

Average # of applicants: 20

of students accepted into the program: 20

Grade expectations of students accepted into the program:

Minimum 3.0 GPA

Percentage of students accepted into the program with previous medical experience: 80%

Course repeat policy—prerequisites: Two attempts

Criminal history policy: No felonies. No criminal charges related to drug offenses, embezzlement, forgery, robbery, violent acts and child abuse. Background check required.

Important considerations for students: Clinicals (300+ hours) and field internships (400 hours) are daytime/evening hours. Must pass each unit and final exam with 75% or better. Demanding curriculum.

Hearing Instrument Science

Average # of students declared Pre HIS: 10

Average # of applicants: 10

of students accepted into the program: 20

Grade expectations of students accepted into the program:

Minimum 2.0 GPA

Percentage of students accepted into the program with previous medical experience: 0%

Course repeat policy—prerequisites: Two attempts

Criminal history policy: No felonies. No criminal charges related to drug offenses, embezzlement, forgery, robbery, violent acts and child abuse. Background check required.

Important considerations for students: The ideal candidate possesses a nurturing spirit, an interest in the medical field, computer skills, Bachelor's or Master's degree. Students must pass a physical and have excellent vision and hearing. Demanding curriculum.

Medical Lab Technician

Average # of students declared Pre MLT: 120

Average # of applicants: 21

of students accepted into the program: 20

Grade expectations of students accepted into the program:

Minimum 2.8 GPA

Percentage of students accepted into the program with previous medical experience: 10%

Course repeat policy—prerequisites: Two attempts

Criminal history policy: No felonies. No criminal charges related to drug offenses, embezzlement, forgery, robbery, violent acts and child abuse. Background check required.

Important considerations for students: Recommend BCS 140/150 over BCS 145/146 and taking an additional Chemistry class. All science prerequisites, including Chemistry, must be less than 5 years old. All courses must be passed with a 75% or better. During the fall semester, program hours are 8:30am-3:30pm. During the first 8 weeks of the spring semester, program hours are 12pm-7:30pm. During the second 8 weeks of the spring semester, program hours are 8am-4pm. Demanding curriculum.

Nursing—ASN

Average # of students declared Pre Nursing (ASN/LPN): 1500

Average # of applicants: 90

of students accepted into the program: 36

Grade expectations of students accepted into the program:

A in Anatomy and Physiology

Percentage of students accepted into the program with LPN work experience: 33%

Test score policy: Minimum 850 score on HESI PN-NCLEX Exit Exam, minimum 80% on Math for Medications Test

Course repeat policy—prerequisites: Two attempts

Criminal history policy: No felonies. No criminal charges related to drug offenses, embezzlement, forgery, robbery, violent acts and child abuse. Background check required.

Important considerations for students: Students are strongly encouraged to attend a Nursing advising session. No expiration date on prerequisite classes. Students are not able to work full-time while in the ASN program. Classes meet three days per week. Clinical rotations may occur in the evenings and on the weekends. Demanding curriculum.

Nursing—LPN

Average # of students declared Pre Nursing (ASN/LPN): 1500

Average # of applicants: 200

of students accepted into the program: 40

Grade expectations of students accepted into the program:

Minimum 3.5 GPA

Importance of previous medical experience: Factored into the selection of successful candidates

Test score policy: COMPASS required with minimum score of 75 on the reading, writing and numerical math components

Course repeat policy—prerequisites: Two attempts

Criminal history policy: No felonies. No criminal charges related to drug offenses, embezzlement, forgery, robbery, violent acts and child abuse. Background check required.

Important considerations for students: Anatomy and Physiology classes must be less than 5 years old. Students are strongly encouraged to attend a Nursing advising session. Students are not able to work full-time while in the LPN program. A significant amount of study time is required to be successful, as nursing classes are much more difficult than general education classes. Classes are during daytime hours, but clinical rotations may occur in the evenings and on the weekends. Students must have scheduling flexibility while in the program. Physical requirements include turning and lifting patients and walking on concrete floors for 8-12 hours at a time. Students are responsible for transportation and child care. Demanding curriculum.

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Average # of students declared Pre OTA: 170

Average # of applicants: 70-80

of students accepted into the program: 20

Grade expectations of students accepted into the program:

Average 3.7 GPA, Minimum 2.5 GPA

Course repeat policy—prerequisites: Two attempts

Criminal history policy: No felonies. No criminal charges related to drug offenses, embezzlement, forgery, robbery, violent acts and child abuse. Background check required.

Important considerations for students: Students are encouraged to attend an Occupational Therapy Assistant advising session. Full-time, daytime commitment. Four clinicals during program—1 week, 2 week and two 8 week. Students may be required to travel outside of the Springfield area for clinicals and are responsible for transportation and expenses. Demanding curriculum.

Physical Therapy Assistant

Average # of students declared Pre PTA: 320

Average # of applicants: 100

of students accepted into the program: 24

Grade expectations of students accepted into the program:

Minimum 3.0 GPA

Percentage of students accepted into the program with previous medical experience: 20%

Course repeat policy—prerequisites: Two attempts

Criminal history policy: No felonies. No criminal charges related to drug offenses, embezzlement, forgery, robbery, violent acts and child abuse. Background check required.

Important considerations for students: The PTA program is located on the Richwood Valley Campus and is a full-time, daytime commitment. Working during the program is strongly discouraged. All courses must be passed with a 75% or better. There are four clinical experiences within the program, which may require students to travel outside of the Springfield area. Demanding curriculum.

Respiratory Therapy

Average # of students declared Pre RST: 100

Average # of applicants: 40

of students accepted into the program: 20

Grade expectations of students accepted into the program:

Minimum 3.2 GPA

Percentage of students accepted into the program with previous medical experience: 25%

Course repeat policy—prerequisites: Two attempts

Criminal history policy: No felonies. No criminal charges related to drug offenses, embezzlement, forgery, robbery, violent acts and child abuse. Background check required.

Important considerations for students: Once accepted into the program, the course sequence is set. Clinical hours will vary between 6:30am-3pm and 2:30pm-11pm on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Class days are 8am-3pm on Tuesday and Thursday. Demanding curriculum.

Surgical Technology

Average # of students declared Pre SUR: 120

Average # of applicants: 40

of students accepted into the program: 20

Grade expectations of students accepted into the program:

Minimum 3.0 GPA

Percentage of students accepted into the program with previous medical experience: 30%

Test score policy: COMPASS test required, with a minimum score of 39 on the numerical portion. Writing, reading and math scores will be factored into the selection of successful candidates.

Course repeat policy—prerequisites: Two attempts

Criminal history policy: No felonies. No criminal charges related to drug offenses, embezzlement, forgery, robbery, violent acts and child abuse. Background check required.

Important considerations for students: Students are strongly encouraged to attend a Surgical Technology advising session. Demanding curriculum. Basic math skills are mandatory. During the fall semester, classes and labs meet 7:30am-12pm, Monday-Friday. During the spring semester, classes meet 8am-12pm, Tuesday and Thursday. Clinicals meet 6am-3pm on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Physical demands include standing all day during clinicals. Demanding curriculum.