Minimum Entrance Requirements For Health Professions

DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM (AAS.HP.DENT)

Pre-admission Test: Dental Hygiene Admissions Exam
GPA for admissions eligibility: 2.50
High School prerequisite courses: Chemistry, with lab; Biology, with lab;
Algebra
College substitutions: BIO109, MAT035, CHEM100
Application Deadline: February 1 of the current year
Program Admits: Fall semester
Please Note: High school Biology is waived if college Biology, preferably BIO109, is successfully completed.

DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHY (AAS.HP.DMS)

Pre-admission Test: Diagnostic Medical Sonography Admissions Exam
GPA for admissions eligibility: 2.50
High School prerequisite courses: AP level science; AP level physics;
Algebra
College substitutions: BIO109 (recommended); PHY185, MAT035
Application Deadline: February 1 of the current year
Program Admits: Fall semester
Please Note: This is a regional program that utilizes clinical education centers throughout the state of New Jersey. Students might be required to travel to distant sites and provide their own transportation.

MEDICAL OFFICE ASSISTANT PROGRAM (AAS.HP.MOA)

Program Length: 24 months
GPA for admissions eligibility: 2.00
High School prerequisite courses: None
Application Deadline: No deadline date for admission
Program Admits: Fall/Green semester

RADIOGRAPHY PROGRAM (AAS.HP.RD)

Program Length: 24 months
Pre-admission Test: Radiography Admissions Exam
GPA for admissions eligibility: 2.50
High School prerequisite courses: 1 year science; College
Placement Bio and Lab; 1 year algebra (Algebra II); College substiutions:
BIO109, BIO209, MAT035
Application Deadline: February 1 of the current year
Program Admits: Fall semester
Please Note: High school Biology is waived if college Biology, preferably BIO109 is successfully completed.

VETERINARY TECHNOLOGY (AAS.HP.VET)

Program Length: 24 months
Pre-admission Test: Veterinary Technology Admissions Exam
GPA for admissions eligibility: 2.00
High School prerequisite courses: No high school prerequisites
College substitutions: CHEM101; VET110, VET173; CHEM112
Application Deadline: October 1 of the current year
Program Admits: Spring semester
Please Note: Applicants will only be accepted once the pre-requisites stated above have been successfully completed. Applicants are strongly encouraged to meet with a program official regarding application procedures. Travel is required for all students enrolled in this program.

CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

MEDICAL OFFICE ASSISTANT PROGRAM (AAS.HP.MOA)

Program Length: 12 months
GPA for admissions eligibility: 2.00
High School prerequisite courses: None
Application Deadline: None
Program Admits: Fall/Spring semester

RADIATION THERAPY TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM (CERT.RAD.THERAPY)

Program Length: 12 months
GPA for admissions eligibility: 2.50
Pre-requisites: College courses: Registered or registry eligible Radiologic Technologist; two biology, with lab; (BIO109 and 209); Algebra/ MAT160; General Physics, PHY185, in addition to the above stated requirements, candidates cannot be accepted into the program until at least 2 of the 5 general education courses have been completed: MAT180, MAT250, CSCI15, WR1201, COM100. Three of the above listed general education courses may be taken concurrent with the program.
Successful completion of all 5 courses is required by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists and the NJ Department of Environmental Protection.
Application Deadline: February of the current year.
Program Admits: Fall semester only.
Please Note: Students who are interested in the program should make an appointment to meet with the coordinator regarding admissions.

SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM (CERT.SURG)

Program Length: 12 months
GPA for admissions eligibility: 2.00
High School prerequisite courses: High school graduates; GED
College courses:
Application Deadline: February 1 of the current year
Program Admits: Fall semester only.

VASCULAR TECHNOLOGY (CERT.VAS.TECH)

Program Length: 12 months
GPA for admissions eligibility: 2.50
Admissions Requirement: ARDS Registry Status. Applicant must be a graduate of a CAHEP approved sonography program.
Students with a bachelor’s degree are eligible.
Application Deadline: February 1 of the current year.
Program Admits: Fall semester only.
Please Note: This is a regional program that utilizes clinical education centers throughout the state of New Jersey. Students might be required to travel to distant sites and provide their own transportation.

HEALTH SCIENCE PROGRAM (AAS.HP.LTH.SCI)

GPA for admissions eligibility: 2.50
Application Deadline: February 1 of the current year.
Program Admits: Fall and Spring Semester
Please Note: Qualified students will be awarded 30 transfer credits.
The credits will be applied to the degree in Health Science upon completion of the curriculum. It is essential to understand that this program does not entitle the graduate eligibility to advanced certification or licensure within the Health Professions discipline.

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A successful candidate for a health professions program at Bergen Community College must possess certain abilities and skills necessary to provide and maintain safe and effective care administered to the patient. The candidate must be able to function on an independent level without any intermediary. These skills and abilities include: observation, communication, motor skills, cognitive and intellectual skills, behavioral and social attributes.

Health Professions students must carry personal medical health insurance, professional liability insurance, and be certified in cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) by the American Heart Association (Healthcare Provider with AED) or the American Red Cross (Professional Rescue Certification). In addition, all health professions students are required to complete health education forms upon application to the program and fulfill the requirement for a yearly Mantoux skin test for tuberculosis.

Criminal History Background Check Requirement

Clinical agencies mandate criminal history background checks for all individuals engaged in patient care, and all students must undergo criminal history background checks before admission may be offered. These checks are conducted by an external company, and the information is sent to the Dean of Health Professions. All background reports must be clear to be eligible for admission and to be invited to take any Admissions Examination. Any applicant with a background report that is NOT clear will not be eligible for consideration.

All requirements subject to change. Please visit www.bergen.edu/hprequirements for the most current information.