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Welcome to River Valley Community College!

Dear New and Prospective Students,

Allow me to be the first to welcome you to River Valley Community College and all the wonderful opportunities that come with it. Like you, I am new to River Valley Community College as I am beginning my first year as President. However, I have already learned some valuable information about RVCC in my short time here.

The most important thing I have learned is that the faculty and staff here are dedicated to your success. They enjoy teaching and assisting students and will guide you in your educational journey. Everyone I speak with takes great pride in their role at River Valley Community College.

I have also learned River Valley has a rich history. Founded in 1968, River Valley has provided New Hampshire residents (and our friends from Vermont, Maine, Massachusetts and the greater United States) with an education that is as exceptional as it is accessible for 50 years and counting. Whatever your status - recent high school graduate, adult learner, working parent, retiree, etc. - RVCC is the place to be and has a program for you.

RVCC has a variety of programs available. This catalog is a guide to our offerings. Within its pages are the details for over 30 different degree and certificate programs. However, the catalog doesn't tell the entire story. Come and visit us and learn just how good our faculty, staff and facilities really are.

I have met a number of students. They come from diverse backgrounds. They are talented and friendly. Here, you will find a study partner, a friend, and make connections that will last a lifetime.

Know that, whatever your educational goals, a degree or certificate can change your life and open doors. By reading this catalogue and enrolling in classes you are taking the first steps through those doors. RVCC's faculty, staff, and I know that together we can accomplish great things. We would be honored if you would join us.

Sincerely,

*Alfred Williams, IV
President
River Valley Community College*



Mission Statement

Community College System of New Hampshire

Our purpose is to provide residents with affordable, accessible education and training that aligns with the needs of New Hampshire's businesses and communities, delivered through an innovative, efficient, and collaborative system of colleges. CCSNH is dedicated to the educational, professional, and personal success of its students; a skilled workforce for our state's businesses; and a strong New Hampshire economy.

River Valley Community College

River Valley Community College transforms lives by providing a quality and affordable education through innovative personal approaches to lifelong learning and career pathways.

Education Philosophy

Since the College serves a diverse student population possessing a wide range of academic and physical abilities, the College is committed to providing a variety of educational approaches, instructional methods, supplementary services, and co-curricular activities to meet those diverse needs. In the context of a student-centered environment, the primary aim of the College is to assist students to become self-reliant, self-confident skilled workers and educated persons.

The College believes that the educated person is able to read critically, write clearly and comprehensively, reason analytically, and utilize mathematical and scientific skills to solve life's prob-

lems. The educated person functions as a responsible and ethical member of society, recognizes and copes with the ambiguities of life, and appreciates diversity. The educated person moves from concrete to abstract levels of thinking, fosters integration and synthesis of knowledge, interchanges roles as both learner and teacher, and utilizes contemplative thought.

By embracing an understanding and appreciation of self in today's socially and technologically complex world, and through the stimulation of intellectual curiosity, learners will be able to improve their lives and contribute something of value to the community of which they are a part.

Expected Outcomes

The College judges it's success by the degree it:

- Engages in programs and activities that expand access to higher education for all members of the community.
- Offers college-preparatory instruction that prepares students for success in college-level work and life-long learning.
- Provides students with a full range of student development and academic support services
- Offers students the opportunity to contribute to the wellbeing of others through service learning and volunteerism.
- Prepares individuals for employment in a variety of careers in business, the health sciences, computer applications, engineering and industrial technologies, and public service.

- Serves as an entry-point for bachelor degree programs by providing the first two years of a four-year program through a sequence of general education that stresses an appreciation of the arts and the humanities, the social sciences, mathematics and quantitative literacy, the sciences, communication, and information literacy.
- Provides economic development and continuing education activities to meet the needs of business, industry, and government while enhancing employee skills and enriching their lives.

History

River Valley Community College was founded in 1968 (under a variety of names over the years) and has ever since provided quality education in an academic environment small enough to allow individualized attention. Students in over 30 career-oriented programs gain the highly specialized skills and knowledge necessary to confidently, and successfully, enter the job market in a variety of technical, business and health oriented fields.

The college offers opportunities to those students who are, or who are not, sure of their career path. Students can earn an Associate in Arts degree, Associate in Science degree or Cer-

tificates and proceed to the workforce. The Associate degrees can also provide the first two years of a four-year Bachelor program.

As a commuter college (students commute from their homes or from rented housing in the area), the College serves the needs of both the region and the state through cooperation with local industry, business, service and health organizations.

River Valley Community College has three sites: the main campus, located on Route 120 approximately two miles north of the Claremont business district, and the Keene Center at

438 Washington Street, Keene, NH and the Lebanon Center at 15 Hanover Street, Lebanon, NH. While not all services and programs are offered at the Keene and Lebanon Centers, these sites allow the college to offer local access to many college courses, assistance with the college admissions process, academic advising, support services and financial aid

information to residents of Cheshire and Grafton counties. Students taking courses in Keene or Lebanon are encouraged to access full college services at the main Claremont campus. All three sites are subject to all RVCC policies and procedures and are accessible to people with walking and visual disabilities.

Accreditation

River Valley Community College is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Inc. (NEASC) through its Commission on Institutions of Higher Education.

Accreditation of an institution of higher education by NEASC indicates that it meets or exceeds criteria for the assessment of institutional quality periodically applied through a peer review process. An accredited college or university is one which has available the necessary resources to achieve its stated purposes through appropriate educational programs, is substantially doing so, and gives reasonable evidence that it will continue to do so in the foreseeable future. Institutional integrity is also addressed through accreditation.

Accreditation by the New England Association is not partial but applies to the institution as a whole. As such, it is not a guarantee of every course or program offered, or the competence of individual graduates. Rather, it provides reasonable assurance about the quality of opportunities available to students who attend the institution.

Inquiries regarding the accreditation status by the NEASC should be directed to the administrative staff of the institution. Individuals may also contact:

Commission on Institutions of Higher Education
New England Association of Schools and Colleges
3 Burlington Woods Dr., Suite 100
Burlington, Massachusetts 01803
781-425-7700 • Toll Free 855-886-3272
e-mail: cihe@neasc.org

Individual programs at the College have earned recognition and accreditation status by the following organizations:

- * The Committee on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs in association with:
 - Medical Assisting Education Review Board (MAERB)
- * Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care
- * National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences
- * Commission on Accreditation of Physical Therapy Education
- * Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE):
American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA)
- * New Hampshire Board of Nursing
- * Accreditation Council of Business Schools and Programs
- * Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)
- * Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology

Admissions Procedures

Application Materials for Admissions

Applications for admission are available on the college's website (www.rivervalley.edu) and at Admissions Offices at our Claremont, Lebanon and Keene sites. Applications and supplemental materials may be mailed to:

Admissions Office
River Valley Community College
1 College Place, Claremont, NH 03743-9707

General Admissions Requirements and Procedures

Admission to River Valley Community College is open to all. Applicants must meet the admissions standards of the College and of the programs of study to which they apply. Applicants will not be barred from admission because of race, color, religion, national or ethnic origin, age, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, gender identify or expression, genetic information, and veteran status, as defined under applicable law.

Applicants should:

1. Complete and submit an official River Valley Community College application to the Admissions Office.

2. Submit their academic records from high school (official transcript of courses and grades); or official documentation of a High School Equivalency scores. Official documents must be received directly from the issuing institution in a sealed envelope. (NOTE: It is the applicant's responsibility to request that official transcripts of previous study be mailed directly to the Admissions Office.) The College does accept verified transcripts via an electronic transcript delivery system.
3. Submit official transcripts of all previous college work. Official documents must be received directly from the issuing institution in a sealed envelope or an electronic transcript delivery system. Applicants who have transcripts from colleges/universities outside of the USA must obtain official English translation and transcript credential evaluation of all secondary school and university academic records, including a letter mailed directly to the College from an approved Credential Evaluation Service (visit www.naces.org/members.htm for listing) insuring the authenticity of the educational credentials.
4. Mathematics course placement - Upon admission to RVCC, all students should meet with their academic advisors to begin the mathematics course placement

process. Placements are based upon multiple measurers, including SAT scores and other test scores (if available), high-school transcripts, work experiences, previous college-level work, and academic focus areas. Advisors follow the Academic Advising Guide for Mathematics Courses and may subsequently refer students to a mathematics advisor for final course placements if mathematics waivers are requested.

5. Additional requirements may be requested from the applicant for admission to specific programs of study. These requirements may include, but are not limited to, faculty interview, SAT results, a program meeting, letters of reference, and pre-admission assessment testing such as the Accuplacer.
6. Notify the College of eligibility for Veterans Administration and other aid programs.

Criminal background checks and drug tests may be required for some program work based experiences. See page 11 for complete policy.

Applicants are responsible for insuring that all documents requested by the College are received by the College in the manner requested. All documents submitted to the College become the property of River Valley Community College and will not be returned or sent to other organizations or academic institutions.

Refer to academic program pages or description on the website for specific admission requirements and application deadlines.

Testing and Assessment

Most students who wish to register for credit bearing courses at the College will be required to take the Accuplacer® Assessment or provide official SAT results. The Accuplacer® is used to determine a student's level of proficiency in sentence structure and reading. The results of the assessment, in conjunction with the student's academic background, goals and interests, are used by academic advisors to place the student in the appropriate courses.

Please note: In some cases, students who have taken college level courses at other accredited higher educational institutions may have their college transcripts evaluated and that course work may exempt students from taking sections of the Accuplacer® assessment. Please contact an academic advisor at the College if you believe you may not need this testing to register for classes.

For more information or to schedule an appointment to take the Accuplacer® assessment call 603-542-7744 x5412 or register online. The cost to take the assessment is \$20 and proof of identity (photo ID such as a driver's license) is required at the time of the test.

Individuals with documented disabilities who require accommodations to take assessments must submit official documentation to the Disabilities Coordinator (603-524-7744 x5421) prior to scheduling the assessment. (See page 16).

The Nursing program requires TEAS Assessment.

New Hampshire Transfer Connections

A pathway to a four-year degree in NH

This program is designed for high school seniors who wish to study at River Valley Community College for one or two years and after graduation transfer to a bachelor's degree program at Granite State College, Keene State College, Plymouth State University, or the University of New Hampshire. Students who successfully complete an approved selection of courses with the required minimum grade point average are guaranteed admission to these institutions. Visit www.nhtransfer.org or contact the Office of Academic Affairs for more information.

Academic Amnesty

A student who has previously attended River Valley Community College and is admitted at a later time may be eligible for Academic Amnesty, which provides for the following:

1. All grades taken during the student's previous time at the College will no longer be used to calculate the student's new cumulative GPA. However, grades C- and above taken during the student's previous time at the Institute/ College will be used to meet course requirements (where appropriate), subject to the approval of the Vice President of Academic & Student Affairs.
2. Even though previous grades will not be used to calculate the new cumulative GPA, all previous grades will remain on the student's transcript.

In order to be eligible for Academic Amnesty, a student must meet all of the following conditions:

1. The student applies for Academic Amnesty before the start of his/her second semester after readmission.
2. The student has not taken any courses at River Valley Community College for a period of at least three (3) years from the last semester of attendance.
3. The student has never before received Academic Amnesty.
4. The student achieved a cumulative GPA below 1.7 during previous attendance.

Academic Amnesty forms can be found at www.rivervalley.edu

Matriculated Student

A student who applies, is officially accepted to the College in a program, and has been confirmed by returning a deposit to the College is said to be matriculated. The status remains until the student officially withdraws from the program or College, is suspended/dismissed for academic or disciplinary reasons, upon graduation or has remained inactive for three consecutive semesters.

Health Forms

Matriculated students in some programs are required to provide completed health forms, and/or submit proof of immunizations or proof of immunity to certain infectious diseases to the applicable program director.

Expenses

2018-2019 Tuition and Fees

A \$100 tuition deposit is charged to students accepted in a Degree or Certificate Program. This fee reserves a place in the program and is non-refundable. Tuition for Division of Degrees and Certificate programs:

In-State and all online courses	\$215/credit hour
New England Regional	\$323/credit hour
Out-of-State/International	\$490/credit hour

Tuition cost is based on residency status. Tuition pays only for enrollment in the program of study. It does not cover the cost of books, uniforms, supplies, or fees. **All charges are subject to change without notice.**

A member of the Armed Forces of the United States stationed in this state under military orders, or stationed in a contiguous state but temporarily living in NH, shall be entitled to classification for himself/herself, spouse and dependent children as in-state for tuition purposes so long as said orders remain in effect and residence in New Hampshire is continued. Furthermore, military personnel who are residents of another state but choose NH as their residence within 90 days of being discharged from the military will be considered NH residents and charged in-state tuition.

There will be additional tuition and fees for programs with summer affiliations.

Border State Tuition Reduction

River Valley Community College is offering in-state tuition to students who are residents of Vermont and Massachusetts and live within a 50 mile radius of our Claremont, Keene or Lebanon locations. Please contact the Admissions Office to find out if your residency qualifies for the reduced tuition plan.

Domicile – Change of Residency Status

A student's residency status determines the tuition rate assigned to their account. In-state tuition is available to those students who reside in New Hampshire for twelve (12) consecutive months or more immediately prior to registration for the term which in-state tuition is claimed. Those domiciled elsewhere shall be invoiced at either the New England Regional Student Program (NERSP) rate or the out-of-state rate.

Matriculated students who establish in-state residency (from an out-of-state or NERSP status) are responsible for notifying the Admissions Office of their residency change by completing and submitting a Request for Change of Residency Status form, and producing an original driver's license or a non-driver identification card. To obtain a Request for Change of Residency Status form, visit <http://www.rivervalley.edu/>.

Note: International students who are attending RVCC on a Student Visa are not eligible to claim in-state or New England Regional Student Program status.

For the full CCSNH Board policy visit www.ccsnh.edu/about-ccsnh/board-policies-system-policies-and-fees. Click on "Student Affairs Policies".

Tuition and Fees

Tuition and fees are due two weeks prior to the beginning of the semester. Tuition and fees may be paid online through SIS, or by mail or phone. If payment arrangements are not in place two weeks prior to the start of a semester, students run the risk of being unregistered from their classes.

When tuition and fees are not fully covered by financial aid (page 8) and/or a payment plan, it is the student's responsibility to pay the difference two weeks prior to the start of classes. Students who have not accepted their financial aid award (the award letter needs to be signed and returned to the Financial Aid Office), established a payment plan, or paid in full two weeks prior to the start of classes may be unregistered from classes.

Billing (E-Bills)

River Valley Community College students are billed electronically (e-bill) through the Student Information System (SIS) and RVCC student email. **You will not receive paper bills.** Contact the Business Office (603-542-7744 x5304) for more information.

Company Billing

When an employer pays educational expenses, the student must obtain written authorization from the employer on official letterhead and attach it to the registration form. The authorization constitutes a financial agreement. If a student must obtain a predetermined grade in order to be reimbursed by the company, the student is required to pay for the course in advance. The student is financially responsible for tuition balance if the company does not pay.

Tuition Payment Plan

In an effort to assist students with tuition charges, the College offers an interest free monthly or annual payment plan administered by Nelnet Business Solutions. The plan allows the student to fulfill their financial obligation to the College by automatic electronic processing of installment payments. There is a per semester or an annual enrollment fee for this program. More information can be obtained from the Business Office or online via the Student Information System (SIS).

NOTE: Tuition and fees at River Valley Community College are determined by the CCSNH Board of Trustees. Tuition and fees are subject to change without notice. Applicants should check with the College for verification of current charges.

Refunds For Tuition

To receive a 100% refund of tuition, less non-refundable fees, students must submit a signed drop form to the Registrar's Office by the end of the fourteenth (14th) calendar day of the semester. Students in classes that meet in a format shorter than the traditional semester (15-16 weeks) will have seven (7) calendar days from the designated start of the class to withdraw for a full refund. If the seventh (7th) or fourteenth (14) calendar day falls on a weekend or holiday, the drop refund date will be the first business day following the weekend or holiday. Exception: students in courses that meet for two weeks or fewer must drop by the end of the first day of the class in order to get a 100% refund.

This policy applies to all semester length and alternative semester formats. Non-refundable fees are defined as advance tuition, application fee, and orientation fee. All other fees are to be considered refundable. This includes, but is not limited to, the comprehensive student services fee. All Federal Title IV Funds (i.e. Pell, SEOG, Perkins Loans, Stafford Loans) are prorated and refunded according to the rules and regulations mandated by the US Department of Education. Students registered for workshops through the Division of Continuing Education or Business & Industry Training Center must withdraw in writing at least three days prior to the first workshop session in order to receive a full refund of tuition and fees. In extenuating circumstances, the President (or designee) is authorized to offer alternative compensation in the form of tuition credit or waiver to students on a "case-by case" basis. Tuition credit must be used within one calendar year from the date of authorization. In accordance with Federal regulations, refunds for an amount less than \$1 will be forfeited. *NOTE: Tuition and fees are subject to change without notice. Applicants should check with the College for verification of current charges.

All refunds require that the student complete and submit to the Registrar an official withdrawal/drop form within the above stated time frames.

Collection Clause

The following collection clause applies to all financial forms requiring student's signature:

"I agree that by registering for courses within the Community College System of New Hampshire (CCSNH), I am financially obligated for ALL costs related to the registered course(s). Upon a drop or withdrawal, I agree that I will be responsible for all charges as noted in the student catalog and handbook. I further understand that if I do not make payment in full, my account may be reported to the credit bureau and/or turned over to an outside agency. I also agree to pay for the fees of any collection agency which may be based on a percentage of the debt up to a minimum of 35%, and all additional costs and expenses, including any protested check fees, court filing costs and reasonable attorney's fees, which will add significant costs to my account balance."

Fee for Protested Checks

Whenever any check, draft or money order issued in payment of any fee or for any purpose is returned as uncollectible, the College shall charge a fee of \$35, in addition to the amount of the check, draft or money order to the student to cover the cost of collection. (RSA 1985, 6:11a)

Academic Instruction Fee

A fee will be charged for all Laboratory/Clinical/Practicum or other similar experiences. This fee will be calculated by subtracting the number of lecture/class hours from the number of credit hours and multiplying the sum by \$110.00 for each course. This fee will be added to the normal tuition charge for that course.

Example:

Cl Lab Cr

AHLT123R Kinesiology 2 3 3 3 - 2 = 1 x 110 = \$110

This fee will be charged to all students with no exceptions.

Clinical Surcharge Fee

All Nursing, OTA & PTA students will be charged \$500.00 per semester that they are in a Clinical/Practicum course.

Comprehensive Student Services Fee

This mandatory fee is charged to all students enrolled in credit courses for fall, spring and summer semesters. It entitles students to attend Student Senate sponsored events for little or no cost. The per semester fee is \$9.00 per credit hour.

Additional Expenses to Consider

Allied Health Uniforms	\$50 - 200
Books, Supplies, Tools.....	\$500 - 1000
Nursing Admissions Exam.....	\$100
ATI ASN Achievement Exams	\$1200
ATI NCLEX Review	\$365
Annual Liability Insurance for	
Nursing and Allied Health Students	\$25
Drug Testing	up to \$125/clinical

All nursing and allied health work based learning experiences require students carry health insurance. Plan must be purchased by March 31st.

Financial Aid

What is Financial Aid?

Few students can afford to pay for college without some form of education financing or assistance. Financial aid is money for direct (tuition and fees) and indirect (books, supplies, reasonable living expenses and transportation) college expenses. This money comes in four forms:

- Grants which **do not** need to be paid back
- Scholarships which **do not** need to be paid back
- Loans which **do** need to be paid back
- Part-time jobs from which the student earns an hourly wage also known as Federal Work Study

Students who are awarded financial aid may receive any or all of these forms of aid.

Financial Aid is assistance available only for students matriculated (formally accepted) in a financial aid-eligible degree or certificate program.

To be awarded financial aid, the student must:

- Complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Financial Aid) www.fafsa.ed.gov. Our school code is **007560**
- Demonstrate financial need as determined by federal or state guidelines
- Submit any additional documentation the college may request
- Eligibility for financial aid is based on the number of credits for which a student is enrolled in a particular semester. RVCC defines enrollment as:
 - Full time = 12 or more credits per semester
 - $\frac{3}{4}$ time = 9-11 credits per semester
 - Part time = 6-8 credits per semester
- Students not planning to enroll at least half-time (6 credits) should check with the Financial Aid Office to determine eligibility.
- Maintain satisfactory academic progress (See Standards of Satisfactory Progress at www.rivervalley.edu/admissions/financial-aid)
- Reapply for financial aid each academic year

A FAFSA must be filed each year. The financial aid year begins with the summer semester at River Valley Community College. The preferred filing date is April 1 for the upcoming aid year. Students who meet this filing date will be considered for all federal funds and state grants. Students who file after this date will be considered on a fund-available basis.

To receive aid in future semesters, a student must meet qualitative and quantitative standards for Satisfactory Academic Progress for Financial Aid (SAP). These standards are described below and in the College's Financial Aid Handbook, available online: www.rivervalley.edu.

Satisfactory Academic Progress for Financial Aid (SAP): Financial aid recipients must make Satisfactory Academic Prog-

ress for Financial Aid in their current matriculated eligible program to retain financial aid eligibility. The standards for SAP are specific to the financial aid program, and are both qualitative and quantitative. The standards measure a student's cumulative grade point average (CGPA) and his/her "incremental" progress in terms of completing a minimum amount of work at stated intervals. When a student is reviewed for SAP, all the student's enrollment periods at RVCC are included in the review. This includes enrollment periods during which the student did not receive financial aid and enrollment periods during which a student did receive financial aid. Satisfactory Academic Progress is reviewed by the Financial Aid Office at the end of each semester.

Students who meet SAP standards will retain eligibility for student financial aid for the following semester. Students who do not meet SAP standards will be placed on SAP warning for one semester. At the end of the warning semester, the student's record will be reviewed. If the students meet SAP standards, the student will once again be eligible for financial aid for the following semester. If the student is still unable to meet SAP standards, he/she will be ineligible to receive financial aid. The student may appeal the decision. Please contact the Financial Aid Office regarding the appeal process.

Maximum Timeframe Component: A student may receive student federal aid for any attempted credits toward his or her program of study as long as those credits do not exceed 150% of the published length of the student's program of study. For example, a student enrolled in an eligible 24-credit certificate program can receive financial aid for up to 36 credits attempted. Likewise, a student enrolled in a program of study that requires 64 credits to earn the degree can receive student federal aid for a maximum of 96 credits attempted.

Specific Satisfactory Academic Progress for Financial Aid and the Maximum Timeframe Component policy information is available through the Financial Aid Office and published in the Financial Aid Handbook at www.rivervalley.edu.

Sources of Financial Aid

- Pell Grant is a federal grant for students who demonstrate exceptional financial need. The Pell Grant does not have to be paid back.
- Federal Supplemental Education Opportunity Grant (SEOG) is for students who demonstrate exceptional financial need. The SEOG does not have to be paid back.
- Federal Work-Study money is for educational expenses and is paid by the school for on-campus and community-based work. Students receive pay checks as work is completed.
- Federal Perkins Loan is a low interest loan.
- Federal Direct Loan Programs (DL) are low interest loans and include Federal Direct Subsidized (non interest accruing while in school), Federal Direct Unsubsidized (interest accruing while in school) and Federal Direct Parent Loans (PLUS).

- Alternative Loans are student loans made by private lending institutions.
- State Grant Programs
- Scholarships
 - www.ccsnh.edu
 - www.nhfc.org
 - www.fastweb.com
 - www.rivervalley.edu
 - www.scholarshipexperts.com

Students who accept loans must complete loan counseling (Entrance Counseling) and sign a Master Promissory Note (MPN) on-line at www.studentloans.gov.

Important Financial Aid Policies

Return of Federal Title IV Funds: Returns of Federal Title IV Funds (RT4) for financial aid students who withdraw, officially or unofficially, from all of their courses in a semester prior to the 60% point of the semester, are guided by special return policies formulated by the United State Department of Education. The exact amount required to be returned will vary depending on the amount of grant and loan funds the student received and at what point in the semester the student withdrew. In addition, the student will be liable for the balance owed the college for tuition and fees. Specific return policy information is available through the Financial Aid Office, and published in the Financial Aid Handbook at www.rivervalley.edu.

Courses Covered: Financial aid is available only for courses within a student's eligible program of study.

Repeating Courses: Financial Aid will cover a repeat course when it is repeated to replace an unacceptable grade as determined by a specific course and/or major. For one time only it will also cover a repeated course previously passed (per previously passed course). For this purpose, passed means any grade higher than an "F". Only the most recent grade for a course that has been repeated will count towards a student's CGPA. Therefore, grades from prior attempts will be excluded from the student's cumulative GPA. However, all attempts including the most current will be included in the calculation for the completion rate and maximum timeframe components.

Veterans Affairs

For information regarding VA benefits, you may contact the Department of Veterans Affairs: VA Regional Office, PO Box 4616, Buffalo, NY 14240-4616, 1-888-GIBILL-1 (1-888-442-4551), www.gibill.va.gov.

The School Certifying Officer at River Valley Community College can also provide assistance to veterans regarding Veterans Affairs and the G.I. Bill®.

GI Bill® is a registered trademark of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). More information about education benefits offered by VA is available at the official U.S. government Web site at www.benefits.va.gov/gibill.

421.01 Tuition and Fees: A veteran, as defined under RSA 21:50, I, or a covered individual, as defined under Chapter 30 or 33 of Title 38 of the United States Code using educational assistance benefits provided under federal law, shall be charged in-state tuition while living in New Hampshire and enrolled in any institution of the Community College System of New Hampshire.

A spouse of child using educational assistance benefits provided pursuant to Chapter 30 or 33 of Title 38 of the United States Code shall be charged in-state tuition while living in New Hampshire and enrolled in any institution of the Community College System of New Hampshire.

Prior Credit: VA regulation states that all facilities approved under the GI Bill® Program have to evaluate all prior credit. The NH State Approving Agency is requiring that all students using any form of GI Bill® Education Benefits, enrolled on or after April 1, 2015, must complete the Credit for Prior Learning/Training Student Acknowledge Form. Remember the regulation states "evaluate" and not "must grant credit for prior credit." Please see the RVCC School Certifying Officer for the form and further information.

Project RISE

Project RISE offers financial support to single parents and displaced homemakers who are accepted into programs at River Valley Community College. Guidance is available for career support and pursuits as well as academic or personal issues. Financial support is awarded in the areas of tuition, books, child care and transportation reimbursements to those who qualify.

Academic Requirements

Associate Degree

The minimum requirement for all Associate Degrees is 60 credit hours and completion of all specified course requirements. Specific requirements for Associate in Arts and Associate in Science degrees can be found on page 19.

Certificate

Regardless of their duration or composition, certificate programs emphasize specific skills and outcomes required for employment or for career advancement. There are no specific general education requirements, except as required to meet stated competency requirements.

Attendance Policy

Class attendance is considered essential to academic success. Since there are constant learning opportunities between faculty members and students, and between students and other students within the learning environment, it is expected that students will attend each meeting of each course in which they are enrolled.

Specific attendance policies for each course are determined by the instructor and will be stated in writing in the course syllabus. These policies reflect the instructor's authority to determine under what terms students may be permitted to make up work missed through absence or tardiness.

Student Conduct and Discipline

A student's continued enrollment at the College is dependent on academic performance and behavior. The awarding of academic credits and recognition and the conferring of degrees, certificates and awards are subject to the academic and judicial authorities of the College. A student's registration may be canceled and he/she may, following due process, be dismissed from the College at any time and on any grounds deemed advisable by the Administration.

Student conduct, both on and off campus, of a nature which would discredit the student and/or on the College, may result in disciplinary action by the College. Persons are subject to the laws of the State regardless of their student status and are subject to College discipline when the College's interests as an academic community are distinctly and clearly involved.

The judicial process will be the responsibility of the Vice President of Academic Affairs and the Judicial Committee. The Vice President may take administrative disciplinary action when it is deemed necessary to ensure the safety of students, faculty or staff and/or the continuation of the educational process. The final judicial authority of the College is vested in the President.

Credit Hour Definition

River Valley Community College follows New England Association of Schools and Colleges' definition of the credit hour:

Federal regulation defines a credit hour as an amount of work represented in intended learning outcomes and verified by evidence of student achievement that is an institutional established equivalence that reasonably approximates not less than –

1. One hour of classroom or direct faculty instruction and a minimum of two hours of out of class student work each week for approximately fifteen weeks for one semester or trimester hour of credit, or ten to twelve weeks for one quarter hour of credit, or the equivalent amount of work over a different amount of time; or
2. At least an equivalent amount of work as required in paragraph (1) of this definition for other academic activities as established by the institution including laboratory work, internships, practica, studio work, and other academic work leading to the award of credit hours.

Grading System

Students earn grades which are assigned by individual faculty members on the basis of an objective evaluation of students' academic achievement. To successfully complete a certificate or an associate degree at the College, students must earn a minimum Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.00 and meet all program requirements.

The reporting of student achievement utilizes the following grades:

Grade	Quality Points	Grade	Quality Points
A	4.0	C	2.0
A-	3.7	C-	1.7
B+	3.3	D+	1.3

B	3.0	D	1.0
B-	2.7	D-	0.7
C+	2.3	F	0.0

Auxiliary Grades

W: (Withdrawal) Student initiated withdrawal from a course at any time prior to completion of the drop/withdrawal deadline (60% of the course). Is not calculated in GPA. Can be initiated by the instructor if the student, because of extenuating circumstances, is unable to initiate the process (e.g., catastrophic illness or injury, job transfer to another state).

WP: (Withdrawal Passing) Student initiated withdrawal from a course after the drop/withdrawal deadline (60%) of the course; student has a passing grade at time of drop, as determined by the instructor. Is not calculated in GPA. Can be initiated by the instructor if the student, because of extenuating circumstances, is unable to initiate the process (e.g., catastrophic illness or injury, job transfer to another state).

WF: (Withdrawal Failing) Student initiated withdrawal from a course after the drop/withdrawal deadline (60%) of the course but before the course has ended; student has a failing grade at time of drop/withdrawal, as determined by the instructor. Calculates in GPA as an "F."

AF: (Administrative Failure) Instructor or administrator initiated withdrawal at any time for reasons other than poor grade performance—e.g., failure to meet attendance requirements, as published in the instructor's syllabus, violation of the Student Code of Conduct, disruptive behavior, etc. The grade may also be issued if a student registered in a clinic, practicum, internship or lab is deemed unsafe or performing in an unsatisfactory manner as determined by an evaluation by a faculty member/agency supervisor in accordance with department criteria and procedure, and for students who stop attending class. Calculated in GPA as an "F."

AU: (Audit) A course taken as an audit does not earn credit and cannot be used to meet graduation requirements. Admission by permission of the instructor. **Not all courses are available for audit.** See full Audit Policy page 12.

I: (Incomplete grade) Indicates that a student has not completed a major course assignment due to extraordinary circumstances. It is not used to give an extension of time for a student delinquent in meeting course responsibilities. The "I" grade is not calculated into the GPA. However, all work must be completed by the end of the third week of the subsequent semester or the grade defaults to an "F". See full Incomplete Grade Policy in Student Handbook.

P: Used in Pass/Fail courses. Pass (not calculated into GPA)

PP: Used in Pass/Fail courses. Provisional Pass; warning (not calculated into GPA)

NP: Used in Pass/Fail courses. No Pass; unsatisfactory (not calculated into GPA)

CS: (Continuing Study) Allows student to re-register for developmental course if competencies have not been met

by end of the course. Intended for students who have demonstrated progress and a commitment to succeeding in the course but who need more time to achieve competencies. Does not affect GPA.

R: Repeat

T: Transfer

Course Repeat Policy

When a student repeats a course at the same CCSNH institution, the grade achieved in the most recent attempt will be the grade used in the CGPA calculation. All previous grades will remain on the transcript but are not used in the calculation. Only those repeated courses completed at River Valley Community College will be used in the calculation of the CGPA; repeated courses completed at an institution outside of River Valley Community College and transferred into the student's college of matriculation will not be used in the calculation of the CGPA.

Third and subsequent attempts to repeat a course will require the approval of the Vice President of Academic Affairs.

Readmissions

When applying for readmission, students must meet current entrance requirements for the desired program. Upon readmission, students will follow the curriculum published in the current catalog. However, any common courses will be carried forward and every attempt will be made to make appropriate substitutions when previous courses have been replaced with updated ones. In order to approve a substitution, the Department Chair will make a recommendation to the Vice President of Academic Affairs who will make the final decision.

Students who have been absent for more than three semesters will be declared inactive; an inactive student wishing to return to RVCC must apply for readmission and meet current entrance requirements for the program.

Readmission to the Allied Health programs is based on clinical site availability and the recommendation of the department. Contact the Department Chair regarding the specific departmental readmission policy.

Work Based Learning (WBL)

Work based learning (WBL) is an educational opportunity for students to apply learning to the professional workplace, strengthening skills and learning more about the requirements of the field and how best to perform. WBL is identified in different ways, but includes courses titled: clinical, affiliation, fieldwork, and practicum. Some WBL is incorporated into courses that are offered each semester, while others are scheduled independently. They may be scheduled for a few days a week, or for several consecutive full weeks. Each experience is completed in a workplace environment. Specific proof of immunity may be required depending on your

program of study and placement. Additional immunization, laboratory work, drug tests and/or written documentation may be required based on individual circumstances.

For all WBL experiences student knowledge, technical skills, attitude, attendance and behavior are evaluated based on pre-determined criteria that are provided to the students and the agency. It is the student's responsibility to understand the goals, objectives and evaluation criteria for the experience and to adhere to all policies, rules and procedures set forth by RVCC, the academic department/program and the assigned workplace.

To ensure the safety and well being of others, the College must be certain that each student participating in a WBL experience possesses minimum skills, knowledge, personal maturity and judgment as defined by department/program standards. A student will not be placed in, or will be removed from, a WBL experience if performance or behavior is deemed unsatisfactory or unsafe as a result of a formal evaluation conducted by a faculty member/agency supervisor in accordance with published department/program, criteria and procedures. In such circumstances in which a removal from the WBL is indicated a grade of "AF" will be assigned.

The RVCC Student Handbook describes sanctions that can be taken if a student violates the College Code of Conduct while participating in a WBL experience. There are occasions when a violation is significant enough that a student will be recommended for immediate expulsion from the WBL experience or suspension from a program. In such instances:

- The faculty will make a recommendation to the Vice President of Academic Affairs that specifies the exact nature of the situation and the potential risks for continuation in the experience.
- The student will be notified of this recommendation in conference and a signature will be secured indicating the student understands that they must not return to the workplace setting.
- Upon review of the recommendation and supporting documentation, the VPAA will make a decision to support the faculty recommendation or will require a meeting with the student, college faculty and WBL supervisor to review the status and discuss possible options.

As with any academic decision, the student has the right to appeal as described in the RVCC Student Handbook.

Criminal Background Check Policy

A criminal background check is required by many facilities prior to Work Based Learning (WBL) experiences. Failure to undergo a criminal background check prior to an assigned work based learning experience may result in inability to progress in a program. Should an agency refuse to place a student based on the outcome of the background check, the college/program shall have no responsibility for arranging an alternate clinical/fieldwork or practicum placement. Students may appeal the decision and will be given the opportunity to present information to dispute the background

check. Students must agree that all results will be available to the program and the sites associated with the program. The criminal background check may be required several times during a two year program and may be required for employment and/or licensure and/or certification. Cost for the criminal background check will be the responsibility of the student. RVCC currently works with Certified Background Check (www.certifiedbackgroundcheck.com) to help students in this process. Students should work with their Program Directors for assistance. Note: Some agencies require a state and federal background check.

Drug and Alcohol Test

Drug and Alcohol Testing is required by many facilities prior to Work Based Learning (WBL) experiences. Failure to undergo a drug and alcohol test prior to an assigned work based learning experience may result in inability to progress in a program. Should an agency refuse to place a student based on the outcome of a drug and alcohol test, the college/program shall have no responsibility for arranging an alternate clinical/fieldwork or practicum placement. Students may appeal the decision and will be given the opportunity to present information to dispute the drug and alcohol test. Students must agree that all results will be available to the program and the sites associated with the program. The drug and alcohol test may be required several times during a two year program and may be required for employment and/or licensure and/or certification. Cost for the drug and alcohol test will be the responsibility of the student. Students should work with their Program Directors for assistance.

Grades/Schedules Online

The College provides students electronic access to their academic information, such as grades and schedules, (www.river-valley.edu) using the Student Information System (SIS). Grades and schedules will be mailed to students only upon request.

Eligibility for Extracurricular Activities

To participate in intercollegiate activities or hold office in student government/clubs, students must be “in good standing” at the College (see Student Handbook for definition of “in good standing”). A student officer who is placed on probation may continue to hold that office for the current semester. If such probation continues after the semester, the office must be vacated and an election held to fill the vacancy.

Transcripts

Transcripts of a student’s College record will be furnished upon written and signed request to the Registrar’s Office, or online through the Student Information System.

Transfer of Credit

Students may be admitted to programs with advanced standing if they have taken appropriate college courses at another regionally accredited institution and earned a grade of “C” or higher. It is the student’s responsibility to furnish official transcripts and, if requested, course descriptions. A Department Chair, Program Director or designee will evaluate each course and grade. College

courses for transfer credit beyond ten years will be evaluated by department chairs and/or the Vice President of Academic Affairs. The Vice President of Academic Affairs determines if the credits should transfer and the student will receive a list of courses accepted for transfer.

Any current students seeking to take a course at another college and wishing to apply that course to their degree must have prior written approval from the Vice President of Academic Affairs and their Department Chair or Program Director to guarantee acceptance of transfer credit.

Credits earned at another institution will be added to the total credits accumulated for graduation but are not included in GPA or CGPA calculation.

College Board Advance Placement Test

The College recognizes the College Board Advanced Placement Examination Program as a means of evaluating a student’s eligibility for advanced placement and credit transfer. Students who have participated in the AP Program and who have been admitted to the College should have official AP grade reports forwarded from the College Board directly to the College Admissions Office. More information can be found at College Board, Advanced Placement Examinations, CN6671, Princeton, NJ 08541-6671, telephone number (609) 771-7300 (www.collegeboard.com). Upon receipt of the students AP grade reports, the Admissions Office will access the grade and recommend to the Vice President of Academic Affairs credits to be transferred based on the College’s policies relating to the AP scores for the various exam subjects. The minimum score to receive credit varies from 3 to 5. No credit is awarded on any AP exam score of less than 3. The policy stating the specific exam scores for each subject area may be reviewed at either the Admissions or Registrar’s Office.

Credit by Examination (CBE)

Credit by examination may be earned by a matriculated student who, by study, training or experience outside RVCC has acquired skill or knowledge equivalent to that acquired by students enrolled in a College course and has a CGPA of 2.0 or higher. Such skill, knowledge or experience shall be in the area of the course concerned; and determined to be relevant by the Vice President of Academic Affairs or other authorized personnel, based on evidence that the background prerequisites justify allowing the student to take the exam. Background prerequisites shall include the student’s academic or employment record or both; or faculty recommendations. The examination shall be given only in regular courses listed in the catalog.

The student shall apply to the Vice President of Academic Affairs or authorized person of the College by completing the appropriate RVCC CBE Request Form. Upon approval, the student will pay a non-refundable fee of \$25 per credit to the Business Office. The date for an application for a credit-by-examination must be made within the first two weeks of a semester.

If successful, the appropriate credits earned are applied to the student’s program. Credit will not be given for grades below

“C”. A student receiving a grade below a “C” is ineligible for another CBE in that course. A student may not CBE a course in which he/she is enrolled, has earned a grade within the Community College System of New Hampshire, has been administratively withdrawn, or has dropped the course after the two-week drop/add period.

College-Level Examination (CLEP)

The College awards credits for some courses through the CLEP program administered by the College Entrance Examination Board. Passing grade for CLEP is 50 or above, depending upon the course. Students should consult with Program Director, Department Chairperson or Vice President of Academic Affairs before taking CLEP exams to determine which CLEP exams with appropriate scores can be used to fulfill program requirements (www.collegeboard.com).

Audit

Students may enroll in some courses which provide an opportunity to learn more about the challenges of college work, explore a discipline of interest, refresh prior learning, or supplement existing knowledge. Typically, a student attends lectures, seminars, and/or labs but does not complete graded assignments. When auditing, the student will not be given a final grade nor will credit towards graduation be given for the course (the academic transcript will reflect an AU for the course). Students must pay the full tuition for the course. Financial Aid does not cover costs for an audited course. Not all courses can be taken for audit, and entry into a course as an auditing student is by permission of the instructor. A student must complete a registration as an audit during the first week of classes. Once admitted as an audit the student may not change to credit status after the designated add period; likewise, a student registered for credit may not change to audit status after the designated add period. Exceptions to the above may be made by the Vice President of Academic Affairs.

Dual Enrollment Programs

Project Running Start: Project Running Start allows high school students, in participating high schools, to enroll in River Valley Community College courses taught in the high school by the high school teachers. College credits may be used towards completion of a degree or certificate at RVCC. Credits may be transferred to other Community College System of New Hampshire campuses as well as universities and colleges throughout the country. (Please note that the determination of transfer credit is at the discretion of the receiving institution.) Project Running Start students realize significant advantages: college credit is awarded in high school, tuition costs are reduced (\$150 per course registration), time to complete higher education requirements is reduced, and confidence in the transition to college is increased. High school graduates considering River Valley Community College are encouraged to enroll within one year to ensure that Running Start credits will be accepted into a current program.

Bridge2College: This Dual Enrollment Program for high school juniors and seniors provides the opportunity for junior and senior

high school students to take River Valley Community College (RVCC) courses at the following locations: RVCC’s main campus, the Academic Centers in Keene and Lebanon. Students earn college credits that also meet high school graduation requirements. Seniors in high school may also apply for conditional early admissions to a program of choice at RVCC.

Academic Standing

Failure to meet satisfactory progress will result in either Academic Probation or Academic Suspension. Calculation of Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) will be based on all courses taken at the institution, including developmental or remedial courses. Students with a GPA less than 2.0 for one semester will receive academic probation. Students with a GPA less than 2.0 for three consecutive semesters will be placed on academic suspension.

- **Academic Probation Definition:** A warning which indicates the student may not be on track to graduate because of poor academic performance.
- **Academic Suspension Definition:** A hold on a student taking further courses in a program. A student may continue to take courses outside of the program as a non-matriculated student.

A student may appeal suspension based on a process. The student will receive written notification by certified mail. A suspended student may take courses at River Valley Community College as a non-matriculated student. Before re-applying for matriculation into their program of study, the student must show evidence of having successfully completed two three-credit courses with a “C” or better prior to re-applying.

Financial aid may be in jeopardy if a student fails to achieve Satisfactory Academic Progress as defined above.

Graduation Requirements

To graduate, students must complete all courses and attain a cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of at least 2.0 within his/her program. Specific requirements for all degree and certificate programs are available from the Registrar. Credits earned in developmental courses are not counted toward graduation requirements. Matriculated students must earn a minimum number of academic credits at the College as follows:

1. Degree students must earn 16 credits, of which 8 credits must be in advanced courses in the student’s major.
2. Professional Certificate students must earn 9 credits or 25% of the credits, whichever is higher.
3. Certificate students must earn 6 credits or 25% of the credits, whichever is higher.

Academic Honors

A full-time, matriculated student in good standing with a grade point average of at least 3.70 is entitled to honors on the President’s List. A full-time, matriculated student in good standing earning a grade point average of 3.0 to 3.69 is entitled to honors on the Vice President’s List.

Graduation Honors—College CGPA

CGPA 3.20 - 3.59 = Cum Laude

CGPA 3.60 - 3.89 = Magna Cum Laude

CGPA 3.90 - 4.00 = Summa Cum Laude

Graduates earning a CGPA of 3.50 or higher are entitled to wear a gold tassel at graduation. Students who have not completed all graduation requirements at the time of graduation are not eligible for graduation honors, and will not be awarded the gold tassel.

All College Policies relating to academic matters are detailed in the annual edition of the Student Handbook.

Medical Leave Policy

A matriculated student who, due to a serious medical condition that requires extended in-patient treatment in a medical facility and/or ongoing outpatient medical treatment, becomes unable to complete his/her academic requirements and/or who becomes unable to meet the program's technical standards and/or the requirements of the Student Code of Conduct, may apply for a formal Medical Leave of Absence for up to two consecutive semesters.

Requests must contain official healthcare professional documentation with a letter that includes the student's name, address and program. **Drop forms must be completed for the courses involved.**

Students considering a Medical Leave of Absence should be aware that granting of such leave does not relieve a student from financial responsibility to the College. A student who is seeking a Medical Leave of Absence who is also a financial aid recipient should contact the Financial Aid Office to discuss the leave and any potential implications for changes in financial aid eligibility. Students who have concerns about continuing health insurance coverage may also wish to consult <http://www.michelleslaw.com> for important information. See full policy in the Student Handbook.

College Withdrawal

Any student who finds it necessary to withdraw from the College should first notify his/her faculty advisor and then obtain a College Withdrawal Form from the Registrar's Office. The student is responsible for getting all required

signatures and submitting the completed form to the Registrar's Office. Failure to officially withdraw or return College property may result in course failures and academic suspension. Any official withdrawal from the College after the last date to drop a full semester course has passed shall be considered effective the first day of the following semester for academic reasons, and the student will be held academically accountable for the entire semester. A final grade will be issued as though the student had completed the entire semester. Students who have officially withdrawn from the College may apply for readmission.

Dual Admission Program with USNH

The Dual Admission program between River Valley Community College (RVCC) and the University System of New Hampshire (USNH) permits students to complete an associate degree at RVCC and transfer to one of the institution with the USNH (UNH, Plymouth State University, Keene State College or Granite State College). Students who opt into dual admission will enter with junior status by completing a single application (as long as the dual admission courses are the subset that will transfer into baccalaureate programs, the courses are completed with a grade of C or better and the student has a cumulative 2.5 grade point average). The program is aimed toward simplicity and affordability for participating students. To learn more and to get started on dual enrollment, contact the Admissions Office at 603-542-7744.

Articulation Agreements

River Valley Community College has articulation agreements with the University System of New Hampshire. In addition, many programs have written agreements with 4-year colleges and universities that provide seamless transfer to bachelor degree programs. Existing agreements include but are not limited to: • University of New Hampshire • Plymouth State University • Keene State College • University of Vermont • Granite State College • Franklin Pierce University • Franklin University of Ohio • SUNY – UpState Medical University • Rivier University • University of New England • New England College • Springfield College • University of Wisconsin • NH Institute of Art • Colby Sawyer College • Regis University.

For more information, contact the Office of Academic Affairs (603) 542-7744 or www.nhtransfer.org

Student Services

The College is committed to providing an experience that educates and supports students in and out of the classroom. Building networks and resources along with co-curricular programs and activities help meet this student-centered mission. A conscientious effort is made to know students as individuals and to serve their interests and needs accordingly. All student activities and clubs are accessible through the Office of Academic & Student Affairs.

The Student Handbook describes student related policies and programs. Students are expected to be informed about the policies published in this catalog and in the Student Handbook, as well as subsequent policies and information that may be published or posted during the school year. Policies of the College may, and often do, change since the College must maintain flexibility to serve its students. It is the responsibility of the student to read and understand College policies. The Student Handbook is online at www.rivervalley.edu

Housing

River Valley Community College does not offer on-campus housing. The College recommends using newspaper listings, contacting real estate professionals, or scanning our local and campus bulletin boards to locate housing appropriate for you.

Child Care

The College maintains a list of child care options in the area. Contact the Office of Academic Affairs for more information. This website, <http://childcareaware.org>, can help families not only search for care, but also explore financial assistance with the cost of child care.

Counseling

Although the College does not have professional counselors or psychiatric professionals on staff, the college maintains a list of community agencies available for those students in need of professional counseling. Students can participate in groups to discuss career, and/or academic concerns. Program directors, faculty, and staff are trained to provide additional one-on-one consultation and dialogue. Community agencies in the area are available for assistance in finding solutions to individual concerns. The College StART team, a team of trained faculty and staff members who deal in crisis management, are a resource to the campus community.

Food Service

CLAREMONT - Microwave ovens and vending machines are available to students, faculty and staff.

KEENE and LEBANON - Vending machines are available in the Common Room for drinks and snacks. Microwave ovens are available at the Centers.

Food Pantries

Food Pantries are available at the Claremont (next to Room 141) and Lebanon (in the kitchen area) locations. Pantries are sponsored by the Student Government Association. All students and employees are invited to donate food and hygiene products to the pantries. All students are welcome to take items from the pantries, as needed. Please see Keene staff for referral to a local food pantry.

Health Services

There is no formal health services system within the College, however, there are many resources available in close proximity to all three locations. Costs and eligibility requirements vary, so you are urged to call in advance, if possible.

Students are responsible for all expenses incurred as a result of medical services required in the event of an accident or injury while on campus or at clinical sites.

RVCC in Claremont is located approximately one mile from Valley Regional Hospital. This facility is utilized for any emergency medical problems occurring at the Claremont campus. RVCC at Keene is located approximately two miles from the Cheshire Medical Center, which is utilized for any emergency

medical problems. RVCC at Lebanon is located approximately 2 miles from Alice Peck Day Memorial Hospital and Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center.

Insurance

It is highly recommended that students carry medical health insurance of some kind while attending the College. All Allied Health and Nursing students are required to have medical health insurance. Any expense incurred as a result of injury or illness while attending clinical or classes will be the responsibility of the student.

Bookstore

The Bookstore, located at the Claremont campus, is open daily and serves as a center for the purchase of textbooks and equipment necessary for study. The bookstore can ship materials to any street address. The Bookstore is not an agent of the College and is operated by a private company under contract with the Community College System of New Hampshire.

The Bookstore phone # is: 603-543-0915. **Students can purchase books online by going to www.bkstr.com/river-valleyccstore/home.**

Student Activities

During the academic year, the Student Government Association hosts a variety of student activities and events that are designed to provide entertainment and resources for students. Activities hosted in Claremont, Keene and Lebanon locations are open to all students.

Student Government Association

The purpose of the Student Government Association shall be to support the student body through guidance and governance over student affairs which are extracurricular in nature, nurturing a successful student experience. Information about SGA is sent electronically through email as well as posted on the Student Information Boards at the Claremont campus, Keene and Lebanon locations.

Phi Theta Kappa

Phi Theta Kappa is the largest international honor society for two-year colleges recognizing and encouraging scholarship, leadership, service and fellowship in two-year college students. Invitations for membership are extended to associate degree students who have accumulated 12 credit hours here at RVCC, have achieved a 3.5 cumulative grade point average and have demonstrated leadership and service. The River Valley Community College chapter is Alpha Delta Chi.

Graduate Transfer & Job Placement

Placement assistance is available at the College to all students and alumni through a job board, placement listings and contacts with local, regional and state companies. Employment is often obtained by students as a direct result of their program internships or clinical affiliations.

Members of the business community are also invited to make presentations at the College relevant to one of the College's programs and to meet our students. In addition, companies and four-year colleges and universities are invited to campus annually for a Career & Transfer Fair. Students have the opportunity to meet with their representatives, investigate career opportunities, discuss potential job placement and transfer opportunities.

Career and Transfer Services are funded by the Carl D. Perkins grant for Career and Technical Education Programs. Career services will prepare students to be competitive in the job market and provide guidance in the college transfer process. Services include résumé and cover letter writing, interest assessments, interviewing skills, job search strategies, labor market information, employer information and college transfer site visits. For further information, please contact the Career and Transfer Services Coordinator for CTE Programs in the Orchard Room of the Puksta Library at 542-7744 x5421.

Library Services

The Charles Puksta Library offers student centered information and research services to support curriculum needs and information literacy. The facility provides a comfortable and welcoming environment conducive to academic inquiry. The 10,000+ square foot facility features a 20 seat computer lab, a multimedia lab, group and individual study space, increased stack space and wireless Internet access throughout the library.

The library features a complete package of print, audiovisual and electronic resources to meet research needs. Our current collection contains over 16,000 books, 50 periodical subscriptions and 1,100 videos and dvds. The collection is built to support the specific programs at the college as well as to provide recreational reading and enrichment opportunities. In addition,

the library currently offers over 20 journal databases, an online encyclopedia, an online medical dictionary and other electronic resources. All online resources are available to students on and off campus. The library has access to an extensive network of academic and public libraries to provide students with access to materials not available in our own collection.

Library instruction is available to assist with all library resources and to ensure students are conducting effective research. Group or individual sessions may be arranged. Drop in assistance is provided during all hours of operation.

Please direct all questions about library services to the College Library Staff at 603-542-7744 x5465 or email the Library Director at jallen@ccsnh.edu.

Student Success Center

The Student Success Center (SSC) provides a wide range of academic supports to all students at the College, with services provided in each location. Students are encouraged to utilize the staff and resources available to achieve their academic goals. The services available in the SCC include:

- Academic advising for General Studies and Liberal Arts programs
- Peer and master tutoring
- Study Skills Workshops
- Career and Transfer Services
- Disability Services
- Proctored alternative tests
- Computers and printer available for student use

Support Services for Students with Disabilities

Students who have documented disabilities are encouraged to meet with the Disabilities Coordinator to establish an accommodation plan designed to provide equal access to academic programs, facilities, and services. River Valley Community College adheres to the ADA guidelines pertaining to service animals at each of our locations. In order to receive classroom accommodations, a student must meet eligibility requirements

and complete the application process. Forms and instructions are available in each of our locations or by contacting the Disabilities Coordinator at extension 5421.

Accommodations in clinical placement:

Students in programs that require successful completion of a clinical placement should be aware that clinical sites are not necessarily required to recognize accommodations contained within an Individual Reasonable Accommodation Plan (IRAP) issued by River Valley Community College (RVCC) designed for use in classroom setting pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act. Please be aware that clinical sites may need to adapt any accommodation request you made in a manner that does not create an undue hardship for them and does not require them to alter the essential functions of the internship expectations. You are encouraged to discuss the accommodation process with both your site supervisor and your RVCC faculty.

Colleges and Universities are not required to:

- Reduce or adjust the essential requirements of a course or program
- Conduct testing and assessment of disabilities
- Provide personal attendants
- Provide personal or private tutors

Division of Continuing Education

The goal of the Division of Continuing Education (DCE) is to offer affordable and diverse study opportunities for the College's student population and to the public at large. DCE offers access to academic, technical, professional, and enrichment courses preparing students for employment and responsible citizenship. The Division of Continuing Education is committed to offering students flexibility of evening and weekend courses and distance education opportunities. Many students choose to pursue their degree through DCE offerings while continuing to work or managing other obligations.

Both credit courses and non-credit workshops are offered throughout the year. Courses range from traditional selections

in Computer Technology, Humanities, Business, Arts, Mathematics, and Sciences to workshops that include such topics as computer applications, and licensing and recertification courses. Courses and workshops are also customized to meet the diverse needs of the community.

We are committed to offering active learning opportunities to our community. As people strive to blend schedules with their family, employment and daily needs, yet still engage in the work of continuing their education, the DCE strives to continue to offer educational opportunities in a learner-friendly atmosphere.

Business and Industry Training

The River Valley Community College continues to collaborate with businesses and organizations, to provide educational opportunities within the community. The College works with business and industry in the local areas to assist them in providing relevant training to their employees. The College understands the increased necessity of business and industry to develop and maintain a well educated and trained workforce. It is this level of workforce that will propel an organization into creating a sustainable competitive advantage. Understanding this, RVCC has positioned itself to rapidly address the specialized and varying needs of business and industry. The College continues to create and expand on opportunities for our surrounding businesses.

WorkReadyNH

The WorkReadyNH job training program offers a 60-hour professional level Soft Skills course that includes Interviews, Communication, Team Building, Conflict Resolution, Problem Solving, Employer Expectations, Diversity, Critical Thinking, Ethics, Customer Service, and Safety. In addition, reading, math and locating information (charts, graphs) skills are assessed and documented through the nationally recognized ACT WorkKeys® National Career Ready Certificate® (NCRC®). Participants receive a certificate from the Community College System of NH. This program is tuition-free to NH residents.

Online Learning

River Valley Community College offers many online courses to provide students easy access to higher education. This delivery system supports the mission of the Community College System of NH and River Valley Community College and ensures maximum access to higher education by utilizing instructional technology and effective pedagogy to eliminate the barriers of distance, time and place.

Students are able to take credit courses 100% online that directly apply to a certificate or degree. For more information, visit <http://www.rivervalley.edu/academics/online-learning>.

Associate Degree Requirements

All Associate Degrees have a Liberal Arts core. That core draws not from specific occupational or professional objectives but from thought processes of the mathematician, the scientist, the writer, the humanist, and the social scientist. Grappling with universal questions, students learn how to critically think about the past present and future.

The Liberal Arts core consists of courses that are drawn from English, mathematics, the sciences, the social sciences, and the humanities/fine arts/world languages disciplines. They are essential elements in the achievement of identified College outcomes and together create a coherent liberal arts education.

Regularly Scheduled Offerings

The following table provides a guideline for course offerings in Liberal Arts. Courses marked with an asterisk (*) have prerequisites (see course descriptions). Courses may be offered during semesters and locations different to those published, and are subject to change.

ENGLISH

ENGL102R	College Composition	*
ENGL122R	Professional Communications	*
ENGL201R	The Research Essay	*
ENGL203R	American Literature	*
ENGL206R	Creative Writing	*
ENGL232R	Reading Short Fiction	*
ENGL235R	Poetry Workshop	*
ENGL236R	Fiction Writing Workshop	*
ENGL244R	World Literature	*
ENGL286R	Children's Literature	*

FINE ARTS

ARTS101R	Introduction to Drawing	
ARTS102R	Introduction to Painting: Thematic Development	

HUMANITIES

HUMA102R	Art Appreciation	
HUMA103R	Music Appreciation	
HUMA109R	Intro to Philosophy	
HUMA110R	Humanities in Western Culture	
HUMA140R	Myth in US Culture	
HUMA142R	Topics in US History to 1877	
HUMA143R	Topics in US History: 1877 to Present	
HUMA204R	Topics in World Culture I	
HUMA205R	Topics in World Culture II	*
HUMA206R	Topics in World History I	
HUMA206R	Topics in World History II	*
HUMA210R	Filming the Vietnam War	
HUMA245R	Native People: An ethnohistorical Perspective	*

MATHEMATICS

MATH016R	Fundamentals of Mathematical Literacy	
MATH106R	Statistics I	*
MATH107R	Statistics II	*
MATH110R	Functions & Modeling I	*
MATH112R	Mathematical Investigations: Great Ideas in Mathematics	*
MATH114R	Mathematics for the Environment	*
MATH115R	Finite Mathematics	*
MATH120R	Functions & Modeling II	*

MATH210R	Calculus I	*
MATH211R	Calculus II	*
MATH212R	Multivariate Calculus	*
MATH215R	Linear Algebra	*
MATH216R	Math Language, Logic & Proof	*
MATH217R	Probability and Statistics	*
MATH221R	Ordinary Differential Equations with Linear Algebra	*

SCIENCE

BIOL101R	Biology: Chemical and Cellular Basis of Life	*
BIOL102R	Biology: Adaptation, Evolution and Ecosystems	*
BIOL103R	Human Biology	*
BIOL116R	Field Botany	
BIOL117R	Environmental Science	*
BIOL162R	Nutrition: the Science of Sustenance	
BIOL201R	Anatomy & Physiology I	*
BIOL202R	Anatomy & Physiology II	*
BIOL205R	Microbiology	*
BIOL210R	Genetics	*
CHEM030R	Introduction to Chemical Principles	
CHEM140R	Chemistry I	*
CHEM141R	Chemistry II	*
PHYS105R	Investigations in Natural Science	
PHYS115R	Astronomy	
PHYS130R	Physics I	*
PHYS131R	Physics II	*

SOCIAL SCIENCE

ECON102R	Macroeconomics	
GEOG101R	Intro to Geography	
HIST134R	Topics in African History	
POLS102R	Survey of American Govt	
PSYC101R	Introduction to Psychology	
PSYC114R	Human Development	
PSYC200R	Educational Psychology	*
PSYC210R	Abnormal Psychology	*
PSYC211R	Social Psychology	*
PSYC212R	Forensic Psychology	*
PSYC214R	Counseling Theories and Techniques	
SOSC101R	Introduction to Sociology	
SOSC110R	Cultural Anthropology	
SOSC201R	Contemporary Social Problems	*

WORLD LANGUAGE

LANG105R	Spanish I	
LANG106R	Spanish II	*
LANG120R	Sign Language I	
LANG121R	Sign Language II	*

Associate Degree Requirements

To earn an Associate Degree from River Valley Community College, a student must:

- successfully complete at least sixty (60) credits in college-level coursework (excluding remedial or developmental coursework/credits – i.e., those identified as being “for institutional credit only”);
- earn at least fifteen (15) credits in coursework offered by and under the direct control of River Valley Community College with at least eight (8) of those credits earned in advanced-level courses in the student’s major field;
- achieve a Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 2.0 or higher in all courses taken at River Valley Community College (including remedial or developmental coursework/credits);
- meet all course distribution requirements for the specific type of Associate Degree as described in sections below.

COURSE DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS

Associate in Science Degree

In addition to meeting the requirements set forth in the associate degree from RVCC requirements above, a student must meet the following course distribution requirements to earn an Associate in Science Degree:

- earn at least 30 credits in program-specific courses in a defined major field;
- earn at least 20 credits in general education courses, including one course of three (3) credits or more in:
 - o English Composition (required);
 - o Humanities/Fine Arts/Foreign Language (required);
 - o Quantitative Reasoning/Mathematics (required);
 - o Science (required)
 - o Social Sciences (required);
- The remaining general education credits to reach the required total of 20 general education credits may be taken in Humanities/Fine Arts/Foreign Language, Quantitative Reasoning, Science, or Social Sciences.
- The remaining 10 credits to reach the required minimum total of 60 credits may be assigned in any subject area, as deemed by the faculty to be appropriate to the curriculum.

Associate in Science in General Studies

RVCC also offers an Associate in Science in General Studies degree for students seeking experiential credit, seeking to create a self-designed major to meet personal occupational or career goals, requiring remediation/developmental coursework to meeting admission requirements for a desired program, or wishing to matriculate while awaiting admission to competitive degree programs. Students wishing to earn an Associate in Science in General Studies degree must meet all of the requirements set forth in the associate degree from RVCC requirements above, as well as the general education distribution requirements set forth in Associate in Science Degree requirements above. The 30 credits of major field coursework may be taken in any subject area.

Associate in Science with a Concentration

An Associate in Science Degree program may include the option for a concentration (e.g., the Associate in Science in Business Management with a Concentration in Healthcare Management). A Concentration may be awarded when a minimum of twenty (20) credits of specialized coursework related to the more general major are successfully completed. The twenty (20) credits in the concentration are part of the thirty (30) major field credits required for the major. Students wishing to earn an Associate in Science with a Concentration degree must meet all of the requirements set forth in the associate degree from RVCC requirements above, as well as the general education distribution requirements set forth in Associate in Science Degree requirements above.

Associate in Arts

Students may earn an Associate in Arts degree in Liberal Arts or in a specified major field. In addition to meeting the requirements set forth in the associate degree from RVCC requirements above, a student must meet the following course distribution requirements to earn an Associate in Arts degree. Each category below must include at least one course worth at least three (3) credits:

- English Composition 3-4 credits
- English Literature, Composition (requiring English Composition as a prerequisite), or Communications 3 credits
- Quantitative Reasoning/Mathematics 6-8 credits
- Natural or Physical Sciences 7-8 credits (including at least one lab science)
- Social Sciences 9 credits
- Humanities/Fine Arts/Foreign Language 9 credits

AND EITHER

- Electives in Specialized Major Field 21-24 credits
Minimum 60 credits

OR (for generic AA in Liberal Arts)

- Liberal Arts Electives (from above list) AND 12-15 credits
- Open Electives 9 credits
Minimum 60 credits

CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS

To earn a Certificate from River Valley Community College, a student must:

- successfully complete all program credits in college-level coursework designed to meet defined competencies in an occupational field (excluding remedial or developmental coursework/credits – i.e., those identified as being “for institutional credit only”);
- earn at least six (6) credits or 25% of total program credits, whichever is larger, in coursework offered by and under the direct control of River Valley Community College;
- achieve a Cumulative Grade Point Average (cGPA) of 2.0 or higher in all courses in the Certificate program (only) taken at River Valley Community College.

General Studies

Design your own degree major or explore college studies

The Associate of Science in General Studies degree program provides flexible options that meet learners' needs:

- To pursue self-designed studies, including curricula that meet specific occupational and career goals
- To explore college-level learning or prepare to enter a competitive program.

The General Studies degree offers students three different ways to pursue their educational and career goals.

The Associate in Science General Studies degree requires 60 credits: 30 credits in a coherent major and an additional 30 credits in electives.

Option #1 – Self Design: A student can design an Associate Degree in majors not covered by the college's standard programs and certificates. Only #1 and #2 are options from which a student can graduate.

Required courses:

GST102R*	Program Portfolio Design.....	3 credits
ENGL102R	College Composition.....	3 credits
XXXXxxxR	Humanities, Fine Arts, World Language Elective.....	3 credits
XXXXxxxR	Social Science Elective	3 credits
XXXXxxxR	Science Elective	3 – 4 credits
MATHxxxR	Mathematics Elective	3 – 4 credits
XXXXxxxR	Humanities, Fine Arts, World Language, Mathematics, Science or Social Science Electives	3 – 5 credits
XXXXxxxR	Open Electives	7 – 10 credits
XXXXxxxR	Degree Major Courses.....	30 credits

* GST102R may be required for students who complete the General Studies Option 1 degree plan and must be taken within the first academic year.

Option #2 – Certificate to Degree: A student can build an Associate Degree major around a certificate program the college offers that does not already have an Associate Degree option. Participating certificate programs include Massage Therapy, and Medical Assistant. Only #1 and #2 are options from which a student can graduate.

Required courses:

ENGL102R	College Composition.....	3 credits
XXXXxxxR	Humanities, Fine Arts, World Language Elective.....	3 credits
XXXXxxxR	Social Science Elective	3 credits
XXXXxxxR	Science Elective	3 – 4 credits
MATHxxxR	Mathematics Elective	3 – 4 credits
XXXXxxxR	Humanities, Fine Arts, World Language, Mathematics, Science or Social Science Electives	3 – 5 credits
XXXXxxxR	Open Electives	10 credits
XXXXxxxR	Degree Major Courses.....	30 credits

Option #3 – Exploratory: Students can explore a variety of college-level courses before deciding on a major. They can also take courses while waiting to apply to a competitive program. Students should work closely with their academic advisor to determine their program of study before completing 24 credits. Students cannot graduate from General Studies Option #3 - Exploratory.

Required courses:

ENGL102R	College Composition.....	3 credits
XXXXxxxR	Humanities/Fine Arts/World Language Elective.....	3 credits
XXXXxxxR	Social Science Elective	3 credits
XXXXxxxR	Science Elective	3 – 4 credits
MATHxxxR	Mathematics Elective	3 – 4 credits
XXXXxxxR	Humanities, Fine Arts, World Language, Mathematics, Science or Social Science Electives	3 – 5 credits
XXXXxxxR	Open Electives	10 credits

The following pages contain requirements for RVCC certificate and degree programs. Many include specific program of studies that are designed to provide sequential progression from foundational to advanced courses. These are provided to inform the student to plan accordingly. Taking courses out of the sequence that is provided may result in an extended timeline for the program.

Key for Program of Studies

CL – class hours, **LAB** – lab hours

These numbers represent the number of meeting hours each week if course is held during a full 15-week semester. Shortened or lengthened semesters will have weekly meeting hours adjusted accordingly.

CR – credits assigned to the course

Check current schedule for offerings not coded.

**For information related to Technical/Essential Standards and Program Outcomes,
go to the College website, www.rivervalley.edu**

Liberal Arts

MISSION

The mission of the Associate in Arts in Liberal Arts degree is to prepare students to successfully transfer to a four-year baccalaureate degree program. An advisor works with each student to design the program that best meets the student's goals. Requirements of the four-year college will guide some of the course selections made by the student. Future plans and personal areas of interest will also contribute to each student's program design.

In order to achieve the Liberal Arts mission, the program provides students with a broad academic experience in areas of arts, humanities, mathematics, natural and physical sciences, and social sciences. The Liberal Arts Department fosters a community of self-reliant learners in a rigorous academic environment. Liberal Arts faculty provide challenging courses designed to instill scholarly curiosity, social responsibility, and a lifelong quest for learning while cultivating an environment of mutual respect and collegiality.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Upon completion of the Liberal Arts program, students will have an academic platform sufficient to transfer into a baccalaureate degree program. Students will learn about the world through the framework of the mathematician, the scientist, the writer, the humanist, and the social scientist. The broad education provided by the Liberal Arts program will nurture students who can develop, identify, and assimilate a variety of intellectual and practical skills to solve sophisticated problems across multiple contexts (e.g., written and oral communication, information literacy, quantitative literacy, critical thinking and inquiry, teamwork, self-monitoring of learning). Students will develop ethical reasoning, critical thinking skills, as well as an understanding of diverse cultures and differing points of view. Through collaboration and individual exploration, they will grapple with universal questions and be prepared for citizenship as well as lifelong learning.

REQUIREMENTS

The minimum requirements for the Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts degree are as follows:

College Composition	3 – 4 credits
English Elective	3 – 4 credits
Humanities/Fine Arts/World Language	9 credits
Mathematics	6 – 8 credits
Lab Sciences	8 credits
Social Sciences	9 credits
Liberal Arts Electives	12 credits
Open Electives	9 – 12 credits
Minimum of 60 credits total	

FIRST YEAR

Fall Semester

	CR
ENGL102 College Composition.....	3
Social Science Elective.....	3
Humanities Elective	3
Humanities Elective	3
Mathematics Elective	4

Spring Semester

	CR
ENGL2XX – 200 Level English Elective.....	3
Social Science Elective.....	3
Liberal Arts Elective	3
Open Elective	3
Mathematics Elective	4

SECOND YEAR

Fall Semester

	CR
Humanities Elective	3
Social Science Elective.....	3
Open Elective	3
Liberal Arts Elective	3
Lab Science Elective	4

Spring Semester

	CR
Liberal Arts Elective	3
Open Elective	3
Liberal Arts Elective	3
Lab Science Elective	4



Accounting

The accounting program provides intensive training in accounting principles and other related business courses.

It provides the student with a broad based education that will qualify him or her for an entry level position in accounting. Typical entry level positions include: accounts receivable or accounts payable clerks, junior accountants, account clerks, inventory controllers, and full-charge bookkeepers.

The program also provides the student with a strong background in computers. The computer related courses include Introduction to Computer Applications, Computerized Accounting, and Spreadsheets.

In addition to the specialized accounting and computer courses, the student will take other business courses including Introduction to Business, Business Law, and Principles of Management. The program includes a general education component that complements the business courses.

The combination of these three elements (accounting, computers, and related business courses) will give the student a well-rounded and solid business education.

The accounting program graduate will be prepared for a number of careers in the business world. The graduate could work in an accounting office of any business, hospital, manufacturing plant, bank, insurance company or in a public accountant's office as a junior accountant. Applicants to the Accounting Program must meet the general admission requirement of the College.



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FIRST YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

	CL	LAB	CR
ENGL102R College Composition#.....	3	0	3
MATH106R Statistics I.....	4	0	4
OR			
MATH110R Functions and Modeling I.....	4	0	4
ACCT101R Accounting I.....	3	0	3
BCPT101R Introduction to Computer Applications.....	2	3	3
BUS101R Introduction to Business.....	3	0	3

SPRING SEMESTER

	CL	LAB	CR
XXXXxxxR Science Elective.....	3	3	4
XXXXxxxR Liberal Arts Elective.....	3	0	3
ACCT102R Accounting II#.....	3	0	3
ACCT105R Spreadsheets#.....	2	3	3
ECON102R Macroeconomics.....	3	0	3

SECOND YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

	CL	LAB	CR
ENGL122R Professional Communications#.....	3	0	3
ACCT203R Accounting III#.....	3	0	3
ACCT204R Introduction to Finance#.....	3	0	3
HUMAxRx Humanities Elective.....	3	0	3
ACCT212R Taxes.....	3	0	3

SPRING SEMESTER

	CL	LAB	CR
ACCT/BUS2xxR Business Management/Accounting Elective			
BUS110R Principles of Management#.....	3	0	3
XXXxxxR Liberal Arts Elective#.....	3	0	3
BUS240R Business Law.....	3	0	3
ACCT215R Cost Accounting#.....	3	0	3

- Co/prerequisites Required. See Course Descriptions

Program of Study is subject to change.

The Business Degree Program is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP), 7007 College Boulevard, Suite 420, Overland Park, Kansas 66211; 913-339-9356, www.acbsp.org.

Additionally, as the program is fully accredited by ACBSP, transfers to bachelor degree programs are available for those who seek to further their education.

Accounting and Advanced Accounting Certificates

The Accounting Certificate programs will provide the student with the basic accounting skills required by the student for an entry level position in the accounting field or to improve the existing accounting skills of those individuals who seek promotional opportunities with their current employer. The program will also provide the student with a basic background in computers. Applicants to the Certificate Programs must meet the general admission requirements of the College. Graduates may transfer most credits into the Accounting Degree Program.

Accounting

FALL SEMESTER		CL	LAB	CR
ACCT101R	Accounting I.....	3	0	3
BCPT101R	Introduction to Computer Applications.....	2	3	3
MATH106R	Statistics I.....	4	0	4
OR				
MATH110R	Functions and Modeling I.....	4	0	4
SPRING SEMESTER		CL	LAB	CR
ACCT102R	Accounting II#.....	3	0	3
ACCT105R	Spreadsheets#.....	2	3	3
ACCTxxxR	Accounting Elective.....	3	0	3

Though not required, students are expected to be proficient in keyboarding. Students may take a keyboarding course through the Division of Continuing Education.

- Co/prerequisites Required. See Course Descriptions

Program of Study is subject to change.

Advanced Accounting

FIRST YEAR

FALL SEMESTER		CL	LAB	CR
ACCT101R	Accounting I.....	3	0	3
BCPT101R	Introduction to Computer Applications.....	2	3	3
MATH106R	Statistics I.....	4	0	4
OR				
MATH110R	Functions and Modeling I.....	4	0	4

SPRING SEMESTER		CL	LAB	CR
ACCT102R	Accounting II#.....	3	0	3
ACCT105R	Spreadsheets#.....	2	3	3

SECOND YEAR

FALL SEMESTER		CL	LAB	CR
ACCT212R	Taxes.....	3	0	3
ACCT203R	Accounting III#.....	3	0	3
ACCT204R	Introduction to Finance#.....	3	0	3

SPRING SEMESTER		CL	LAB	CR
ACCT215R	Cost Accounting#.....	3	0	3
ACCT2xxR	Accounting Elective.....	3	0	3

- Co/prerequisites Required. See Course Descriptions

Program of Study is subject to change.

Advanced Machine Tool Technology

(Minimum enrollment of 10 for program to run)

The Advanced Machine Tool Technology Certificate is designed to offer students comprehensive technical training that provides an in-depth knowledge and understanding of the machine tool trade. This innovative, state of the art course of study leverages community resources in an effort to build and sustain a well-trained/well-educated workforce

that will meet the machine tool industry needs of today and in the future. The certificate is offered through our Office of Workforce Development to local business employers on a contract basis. For further information about the Advanced Machine Tool Technology program, contact the Office of Workforce Development at (603) 542-7744 extension 5347 or DOSborn@ccsnh.edu

Business Degree Program

The Business Degree program at River Valley Community College consists of concentrations in Business Management or Healthcare Management. Either choice will allow the student the opportunity to enter the workforce, or continue their education and obtain a bachelor's degree or more. Both concentrations will provide the student with a strong business background with an exposure to a wide variety of general education coursework.

The Business Degree Program is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP), 7007 College Boulevard, Suite 420, Overland Park, Kansas 66211; 913-339-9356, www.acbsp.org.

Additionally, as the program is fully accredited by ACBSP, transfers to bachelor's degree programs are available for those who seek to further their education.

Business Management Concentration

Many people currently working in the field of business choose the Business Management concentration to expand their potential for growth in the business workforce.

Graduates of the program are prepared to:

- Demonstrate knowledge of business practices including accounting, management, and marketing, and the applications of these topics in the business environment
- Think critically, articulate and explain various business topics and apply these concepts to solve common business problems.
- Communicate effectively using written, oral and non-verbal techniques, including the use of technology in the gathering and presentation of information.
- Demonstrate their knowledge of ethics and social responsibility, and how business integrates this into their ongoing operations.

Upon completion of the concentration, the students are prepared to pursue many different business careers in a variety of industries including manufacturing, marketing and sales distribution, and service organizations. Graduates can begin careers as management trainees or assistants in a broad array of industries including banking, insurance, manufacturing and investments. Also, students, should they so desire, can transfer to a bachelor's degree program on a full or part-time basis.

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FIRST YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
ENGL102R	College Composition#	3	0	3
MATH106R	Statistics I#	4	0	4
OR				
MATH110R	Functions and Modeling I	4	0	4
ACCT101R	Accounting I	3	0	3
BCPT101R	Introduction to Computer Applications	2	3	3
BUS101R	Introduction to Business	3	0	3

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
XXXXxxxR	Science Elective	3	3	4
ECON102R	Macroeconomics	3	0	3
ACCT102R	Accounting II#	3	0	3
ACCT105R	Spreadsheets#	2	3	3
BUS110R	Principles of Management#	3	0	3

SECOND YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
XXXXxxxR	Humanities/Fine Arts/World Language Elective	3	0	3
ENGL122R	Professional Communications#	3	0	3
ACCT204R	Introduction to Finance#	3	0	3
BUS104R	Principles of Marketing#	3	0	3
BUS240R	Business Law	3	0	3
BUS216R	Organizational Behavior	3	0	3

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
XXXXxxxR	Liberal Arts Elective	3	0	3
ENGLxxxR	English Elective#	3	0	3
BUS2xxR	Business Elective	3	0	3
BUS242R	Ethics and Social Responsibility	3	0	3
BUS2xxR	Business Elective	3	0	3

- Co/prerequisites Required. See Course Descriptions

Program of Study is subject to change.

* Student has a choice of Computerized Accounting, Accounting III, Cost Accounting or Taxes. If taking Computerized Accounting, classes are 2 hours, lab is 4 hours and total credits are 3.

Business Management Certificate

The Business Management Certificate Program has been designed to provide the student with a solid business background. The program offers accounting, marketing, management and computer courses which give the management student valuable skills in this growing field. Graduates are prepared for entry-level positions in wholesaling, retailing, sales, banking and insurance. Applicants to the Business Management Certificate Program must meet the general admission requirements of the College. Graduates may transfer credits into the Accounting or Business Management Degree Program.

REQUIRED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
ACCT101R	Accounting I.....	3	0	3
BCPT101R	Introduction to Computer Applications.....	2	3	3
BUS101R	Introduction to Business	3	0	3

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
ACCT102R	Accounting II#	3	0	3
BUSI110R	Principles of Management	3	0	3

SECOND YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
BUS104R	Principles of Marketing#	3	0	3
BUS240R	Business Law	3	0	3
BUS216R	Organizational Behavior.....	3	0	3

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
BUS242R	Ethics and Social Responsibility	3	0	3
BUSxxxR	Business Elective.....	3	0	3

* Student has a choice of Computerized Accounting, Accounting III, Cost Accounting or Taxes. If taking Computerized Accounting, classes are 2 hours, lab is 4 hours and total credits are 3.

- Co/prerequisites Required. See Course Descriptions

Program of Study is subject to change.

Cybersecurity and Healthcare IT

Computer Technology

The Cybersecurity and Healthcare IT program meets the need for healthcare providers and associated businesses to be confident that every aspect of their operation is electronically secure. As the functions of health care include scheduling, storage of images, filling prescriptions, billing and more are being handled and stored using information technology, the need to build electronic and data transfer systems to support these functions, and to protect the information, has dramatically increased. With this shift, the vulnerability of healthcare records has also increased through errors, acts of negligence and malice. The workforce responsible for this electronic information must be skilled in assuring confidentiality, integrity and availability of IT systems and networks. This unique program focuses on the integration of the technology with the needs of healthcare.

Cybersecurity is the practice of protecting computer systems against unauthorized access or attack and maintaining the smooth functioning of information systems at all levels. At present, programs that provide such Cybersecurity training are not widely available, and the concentration on healthcare is a unique aspect of this program.

Applicants to Cybersecurity and Healthcare IT must meet the general admission requirements to the College and interview with the Program Director. It is expected that applicants already have a basic knowledge of computer hardware and software. Applicants who do not possess this knowledge may be required to take additional courses to meet this need.

Students must earn a grade of "C" or higher in all CYBS/CSCI courses required for graduation to progress within the program and graduate.

Program Mission

To develop and train cybersecurity technology professionals who can help companies manage and protect their systems and utilize their skills in technology within a medical environment as well.

Program / Student Outcomes

The proposed program will provide students with a strong foundation of understanding in cybersecurity. Students will learn:

- the broad discipline of cybersecurity and develop a foundation of knowledge of the field
- to write clearly and effectively for defined audiences through a variety of strategies
- the purpose behind their field of study, how to best interact with the people in their work environment and the career path that is best aligned with their personal goals
- how to use multiple operating systems commonly found in the Cybersecurity Technology field today
- basic security principles for information assurance
- the basics of descriptive and inferential statistics

- the basics of the web development process and types of attacks that can occur
- computer networking through the introduction of the Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) model, the TCP/IP protocol suite, routing and switching protocols, Wide Area Network services, and network design & implementation
- a programming language and be able to design and implement simple programs dealing with numerical and string processing
- to implement, maintain and protect a Microsoft Windows Server Domain
- graphical and command line SQL methods of creating relational databases
- to perform ordinary tasks in the Linux operating systems
- the methods in which emerging technologies can be deployed on current and future platforms
- how to succeed in an information technology position through an Internship or Capstone course

ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM

FIRST YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
ENGL102R	College Composition#	3	0	3
CSCI186R	Introduction to Operating Systems	2	2	3
CSCI110R	Introduction to Networks#	2	2	3
CSCI101R	Computer Architecture and Operating Systems	2	2	3
CYBS101R	Principles of Information Assurance#	2	2	3

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
MATH106R	Statistics I#	4	0	4
CYBS130R	Enterprise Security Management#	2	2	3
CYBS140R	Secure Electronic Commerce#	2	2	3
CYBS120R	Network Security	2	2	3
CSCI175R	Introduction to C++#	3	2	4

SECOND YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
XXXXxxxR	Liberal Arts Elective (Humanities, Fine Arts, World Language, Mathematics, Science or Social Science Electives).....	3	0	3
CYBS110R	Topics in Healthcare Information Technology	2	2	3
CSCI203R	Intro to Linux.....	2	2	3
CYBS250R	Digital Forensics #	2	2	3

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
XXXXxxxR	Social Science Elective	3	0	3
XXXXxxxR	Science Elective	3	1	4
XXXXxxxR	Humanities Elective.....	3	0	3
CYBS200R	EMRS/IACAP#	2	2	3
CSCI296R	Technology Capstone#	3	0	3

Students must earn a grade of “C” or higher in all CYBS/CSCI courses required for graduation to progress within the program and graduate.

Students will be required to become a member of Infragard as a prerequisite for the Digital Forensics course. Students with known criminal background or legal actions may not be able to become a member of Infragard and may be denied enrollment and/or progression in this program. These students are advised to seek an alternate education program. Students will be required to sign a program code of conduct that has a zero tolerance policy. Violation of the code of conduct will be grounds for removal from the program. Students who are unable to pass a criminal background check may find it difficult to obtain or stay employed in the Cybersecurity industry.

CERTIFICATE

The Cybersecurity and Healthcare IT Program meets the need for healthcare providers and associated businesses to be confident that every aspect of their operation is electronically secure. As the functions of healthcare include scheduling, storage of images, filling prescriptions, billing and more are being handled and stored using information technology, the need to build electronic and data transfer systems to support these functions, and to protect the information, has dramatically increased. With this shift, the vulnerability of healthcare records has also increased through errors, acts of negligence and malice. The workforce responsible for this electronic information must be skilled in assuring confidentiality, integrity and availability of IT systems and networks. This unique program focuses on the integration of the technology with the needs of healthcare.

Cybersecurity is the practice of protecting computer systems against unauthorized access or attack and maintaining the smooth functioning of information systems at all levels. At present, programs that provide such Cybersecurity training are not widely available, and the concentration on healthcare is a unique aspect of this program.

Applicants to the Cybersecurity and Healthcare IT Program must meet the general admission requirements to the College and interview with the Program Director. It is expected that applicants already have a basic knowledge of computer hardware and software. Applicants who do not possess this knowledge may be required to take additional courses to meet this need.

Students must earn a grade of “C” or higher in all CYBS/CSCI courses required for graduation to progress within the program to graduate.

Students will be required to become a member of Infragard as a prerequisite for the Digital Forensics course. Students with known criminal background or legal actions may not be able to become a member of Infragard and may be denied enrollment and/or progression in this program. These students are advised to seek an alternate education program. Students will be required to sign a program code of conduct that has a zero tolerance policy. Violation of the code of conduct will be grounds for removal from the program. Students who are unable to pass a criminal background check may find it difficult to obtain or stay employed in the Cybersecurity industry.

FIRST YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
CYBS101R	Principles of Information Assurance#.....	2	2	3
CYBS110R	Topics in Healthcare Information Technology	2	2	3
CYBS120R	Network Security#	2	2	3
CYBS250R	Digital Forensics#.....	2	2	3

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
CYBS130R	Enterprise Security Management#	2	2	3
CYBS140R	Secure Electronic Commerce#.....	2	2	3

- Co/prerequisites Required. See Course Descriptions

Program of Study is subject to change.

Information Technology

Computer Technology

An associate degree in Information Technology from River Valley Community College will prepare students to enter the workforce in an entry level position in the field of information technology upon graduation and also provide pathways to bachelor's degree programs. The permeation of technology into nearly every industry has created the need for employers to hire staff to maintain those systems. There are many different titles for which an information technology associate degree graduate can be hired and these positions are often the first line of support to keep the various technology platforms functioning at peak performance. Due to the importance of this position within a company, students will understand best practices for troubleshooting various technology related issues, performance aspects of multiple operating systems, principles of information assurance, basic aspects of web development, computer networking, best practices for maintaining current technology resources, how to communicate professionally, how to create and use relational databases, how to administer and maintain servers and how to deploy emerging technology on various platforms. Additionally, students will have the opportunity to gain real world experience in an internship setting or create a culminating project of their learning in a capstone course.

Program Mission

To develop and train information technology professionals who can help companies manage and protect their systems.

Program / Student Outcomes

The program will provide students with a strong foundation of understanding in information technology. Students will learn:

- the broad discipline of information technology and develop a foundation of knowledge of the field
- to write clearly and effectively for defined audiences through a variety of strategies
- the purpose behind their field of study, how to best interact with the people in their work environment and the career path that is best aligned with their personal goals
- how to use multiple operating systems commonly found in the Information Technology field today
- basic security principles for information assurance
- the basics of descriptive and inferential statistics
- the basics of the web development process
- computer networking through the introduction of the Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) model, the TCP/IP protocol suite, routing and switching protocols, Wide Area Network services, and network design & implementation
- a programming language and be able to design and implement simple programs dealing with numerical and string processing

- to use a variety of writing styles for communication within the professional community
- to implement, maintain and protect a Microsoft Windows Server Domain
- graphical and command line SQL methods of creating relational databases
- to perform ordinary tasks in the Linux operating systems
- the methods in which emerging technologies can be deployed on current and future platforms
- how to succeed in an information technology position through an Internship or Capstone course

ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM

FIRST YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
ENGL102R	College Composition#	3	0	3
CSCI186R	Introduction to Operating Systems.....	2	2	3
CSCI110R	Introduction to Networks#.....	2	2	3
CSCI101R	Computer Architectue and Operating Systems.	2	2	3

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
MATH106R	Statistics I#.....	4	0	4
CSCI103R	Introduction to Web Development.....	2	2	3
CSCI106R	Communications Infrastructure	2	2	3
XXXXxxxR	Science Elective.....	3	3	4
CSCI175R	Introduction to C++	3	2	4

SECOND YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
ENGL122R	Professional Communications#	3	0	3
XXXXxxxR	Humanities Elective	3	0	3
CYBS101R	Principles of Information Assurance#	2	2	3
CSCI204R	Administrating Windows Servers#.....	2	2	3
CSCI203R	Introduction to Linux	2	2	3

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
XXXXxxxR	Social Science Elective.....	3	0	3
CSCY249R	Open Source Design and Development#	2	2	3
CYBS120R	Network Security#	2	2	3
XXXXxxxR	Liberal Arts Elective (Humanities, Fine Arts, World Language, Mathematics, Science or Socrial Science Electives).....	3	0	3
CSCI 296R	Technology Capstone#	3	0	3

Networking Computer Technology

The Networking career path within the Computer Technology program is both comprehensive and flexible, providing students with several career options and paths in the computer science field. The curriculum introduces students to networking systems while integrating these courses with a relevant core of general education electives.

Graduates who successfully complete the program will be awarded an Associate Degree in Networking and can enter the workforce prepared for such jobs as PC support specialist, help desk technician, network and server administrators, or they can choose to further their education by transferring credits to baccalaureate programs in Applied Computer Science or Computer Science. Students who choose to continue on to four-year institutions are encouraged to select the higher-level mathematics (math at the level of Precalculus is preferred). All applicants to this networking program must satisfy the general requirements for admission to the College, possess high school or college credits in English, mathematics, two lab sciences and interview with Program Director. Attending college part-time will take more than two years to complete

Students must earn a grade of “C” or higher in all required CSCI courses to progress within this program to graduate.

Students who are unable to pass a criminal background check may find it difficult to obtain or stay employed in the Computer Technology industry. These students are advised to seek an alternate education program. Students will be required to sign a program code of conduct that has a zero tolerance policy. Violation of the code of conduct will be grounds for removal from the program.

Program Mission

To develop and train networking technology professionals who can help companies manage and protect their systems.

Program / Student Outcomes

The proposed program will provide students with a strong foundation of understanding in networking. Students will learn:

- the focused discipline of networking in technology and develop a foundation of knowledge of the field
- to write clearly and effectively for defined audiences through a variety of strategies
- the purpose behind their field of study, how to best interact with the people in their work environment and the career path that is best aligned with their personal goals
- how to use multiple operating systems commonly found in the technology field today
- basic security principles for information assurance
- the basics of descriptive and inferential statistics
- computer networking through the introduction of the Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) model, the TCP/IP protocol suite, routing and switching protocols, Wide Area Network services, and network design & implementation
- a programming language and be able to design and implement simple programs dealing with numerical and string processing
- to implement, maintain and protect a Microsoft Windows Server Domain
- graphical and command line SQL methods of creating relational databases
- to perform ordinary tasks in the Linux operating systems
- the methods in which emerging technologies can be deployed on current and future platforms
- how to succeed in an networking technology position through an Internship or Capstone course

ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM

FIRST YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
ENGL102R	College Composition#	3	0	3
CSCI186R	Introduction to Operating Systems.....	2	2	3
CSCI110R	Introduction to Networks#.....	2	2	3
CSCI101R	Computer Architecture & Operating Systems..	2	2	3

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
MATH106R	Statistics#	4	0	4
XXXXxxxR	Liberal Arts Elective (Humanities, Fine Arts, World Language, Mathematics, Science or Social Science Electives).....	3	0	3
CSCI175R	Introduction to C++#.....	3	2	4
CSCI106R	Communication Infrastructure	2	2	3
CSCI120R	Routing and Switching Essentials#	2	2	3

SECOND YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
XXXXxxxR	Humanities Electives.....	3	0	3
XXXXxxxR	Science Elective.....	3	2	4
CSCI203R	Introduction to Linux	2	2	3
CSCI204R	Administering Windows Servers#	2	2	3
CSCI235R	Scaling Networks#.....	2	2	3

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
XXXXxxxR	Social Science Elective.....	3	0	3
CSCI212R	Computer Network Security#	2	2	3
CSCI240R	Connecting Networks#	2	2	3
CSCI220R	Storage Networks and Virtualization#	2	2	3
CSCI296R	Technology Capstone	3	0	3

The Networking Certificate explores the integration of hardware and software in computer technology; networking. Students who complete the course of study will gain practical skills in the development, installation, service, support and administration of computer networks and the operating systems.

The major focus is to give individuals up-to-date technical skills they can immediately apply in career employment and / or advancement. It can also provide a basis for further academic study. Individuals who complete the program may find employment as computer help desk or service technicians, network support or computer systems specialist, or customer support representatives. Students may also transfer credits into the Associate Degree Networking Program.

CERTIFICATE

FIRST YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
CSCI101R	Computer Architecture & Operating Systems	2	2	3
CSCI110R	Introduction to Networks#.....	2	2	3
CSCI204R	Administering Windows Servers#.....	2	2	3
CSCI203R	Introduction to Linux	2	2	3

SPRING SEMESTER

CSCI120R	Routing and Switching Essentials#.....	2	2	3
CSCI212R	Computer Network Security#	2	2	3

- Co/prerequisites Required. See Course Descriptions

Program of Study is subject to change.

Criminal Justice

Mission

The mission of the Associate in Science in Criminal Justice degree is to prepare students for employment in various criminal justice related areas such as police work, corrections and the courts. The program also serves as a basis to transfer on to complete a baccalaureate degree. For those already in service, the program provides educational progress for promotion and other career development purposes. The Criminal Justice program prepares students by educating them in the fundamental concepts, knowledge and practices of the field.

The Criminal Justice program provides students with an accessible, responsive learning environment that facilitates the achievement of educational, professional, and personal goals by offering quality higher education in an atmosphere that embraces academic excellence, diversity and innovation.

Program Outcomes

Criminal Justice graduates will be effective and informed citizens who are prepared for careers in the field. Upon completion of the Criminal Justice program, students will have:

1. a practical working understanding of the Criminal Justice system and the major component segments; Law Enforcement, Courts and Corrections.
2. acquired a solid foundation in Criminal Law and Correctional Procedures, Psychology, Sociology and Criminology, preparing them for career opportunities in the Criminal Justice or related fields
3. and academic foundation if they later choose to advance to a Bachelor Degree program.
4. ability to communicate well in written English, speech and mathematics, necessary for their careers.
5. a practical education rounded with electives in the sciences, social sciences and humanities.

Health Considerations

Applicants should be aware of the basic health and fitness requirements for many careers in the criminal justice field. Prospective students with special needs or limitations that may affect their internship and/or potential employability are encouraged to discuss their career goals with the program director.

Character Expectations

Applicants should be aware that background checks are completed by potential employers prior to obtaining any position with arrest or detention powers. Applicants are advised to discuss any concerns with the program director prior to acceptance into the program.

Requirements

The minimum requirements for the Associate of Science in the Criminal Justice degree are as follows

College Composition	3-4 credits
Humanities/Fine Arts/World Language	3 credits
Mathematics	3-4 credits
Lab Sciences	4 credits
Social Sciences	12 credits
Criminal Justice Program Courses	30 credits
Open Electives	3 credits

Minimum of **60 credits** total for graduation

ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM

FIRST YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

	CL	LAB	CR
ENGL102R College Composition#	3	0	3
PSYC101R Introduction to Psychology.....	3	0	3
BCPT101R Intro to Computer Applications	2	3	3
CRMJ101R Introduction to Criminal Justice.....	3	0	3
CRMJ111R Criminal Law	3	0	3

SPRING SEMESTER

	CL	LAB	CR
SOSC101R Introduction to Sociology	3	0	3
MATHxxxR Mathematics Electives#.....	4	0	4
CRMJ102R Criminal Procedure	3	0	3
CRMJ112R Introduction to Juvenile Justice System.....	3	0	3
CRMJ210R Drugs and the Law.....	3	0	3

SECOND YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

	CL	LAB	CR
XXXXxxxR Science Elective.....	3	3	4
PSYC212R Forensic Psychology#	3	0	3
CRMJ212R Criminal Justice Communication#	3	0	3
CRMJ201R Criminology	3	0	3
CRMJ204R Crisis Intervention in Criminal Justice#	3	0	3

SPRING SEMESTER

	CL	LAB	CR
XXXXxxxR Humanities/Fine Arts/World Language Elective.	3	0	3
SOSC201R Contemporary Social Problems#.....	3	0	3
CRMJ211R Justice and the Community	3	0	3
CRMJ290R* Criminal Justice Internship#	0	0	3
XXXXxxxR Open Elective (Suggested Abnormal Psychology)	3	0	3

- Co/prerequisites Required. See Course Descriptions

Program of Study is subject to change.

Early Childhood Education

A career working with young children offers the opportunity to influence young lives as they grow and develop. Students are prepared to be competent early childhood professionals who can provide a nurturing environment with a strong understanding of the ways in which young children grow and learn. Students learn to provide care and education that is developmentally appropriate. The Early Childhood Education Program focuses on young children, birth through age 8 years, and their families.

The Early Childhood Education Program combines theory and practical experience. The curriculum uses standards for professional preparation as outlined by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). (Additional information about these standards is available at www.naeyc.org, NAEYC's web site. Programmatic learning objectives are available on the Early Childhood Education program pages on the College's web site and in the program's student handbook.) Graduates are prepared for immediate entry into the field. Alumni of the program are employed in a variety of settings, including, but not limited to, the following: child care centers, Head Start programs, laboratory schools, parent cooperatives, and after-school programs.

In addition, graduates of the program are prepared for continued study beyond the associate degree. More information on transfer options and articulation agreements is available through the program director.

The applicant for the Early Childhood Education Program should meet the general requirements for admission to the College. In addition, the applicant should possess strong interpersonal communication skills.

This program may take longer than 2 years to complete. Courses may be taken at the Keene Academic Center. The Early Childhood Education Level I and Level II Certificates may be combined with other programs at the College for a dual degree option.

Practicum I and Practicum II placements are arranged by the Program Director. Students are required to have professional liability insurance during these placements. In addition, most practicum sites will require a state registry and criminal records check and written records of physical examination. Students are responsible for providing the practicum site with appropriate documentation and for all associated fees. Students are also responsible for completing any required orientation meetings and activities prior to the beginning of their practicum hours. Students must provide their own transportation to and from the practicum site.

Please see the full Criminal Background Check Policy in the Admissions section of this catalog and the Student Handbook.

Applicants seeking admission to the Early Childhood Education Program who believe they may have difficulty with a state registry and criminal records check are advised to contact the New Hampshire Bureau of Child Care Licensing (1-800-852-3345) prior to matriculation.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM

FIRST YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
ECE101R	Foundations of Early Childhood Education....	3	0	3
ECE102R	Child Growth & Development.....	3	0	3
HSV123R	Supportive Communication Skills.....	3	0	3
MATHxxxR	Mathematics Elective#	3/4	0	3/4
ENGL102R	College Composition#	3	0	3

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
ECE103R	Health, Safety & Nutrition	3	0	3
ECE104R	Curriculum for Early Childhood Care & Education#	3	0	3
ECE105R	Children with Special Needs and Their Families#.....	3	0	3
PSYC101R	Introduction to Psychology.....	3	0	3
XXXxxxR	Science Elective#	3/4	0	3/4

SECOND YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
ECE120R	Learning, Behavior & Positive Guidance	3	0	3
ECE203R	Early Language & Literacy Development#	3	0	3
ECE190R	Practicum I#	1	0	3
OR				
ECE191R	Work Experience Practicum I# (90 hrs).....	1	0	3
ECE2xxR	ECE Elective.....	3	0	3
XXXxxxR	Humanities/Fine Arts/World Language Elective	3	0	3

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
ECE290R	Practicum II#	0	0	3
OR				
ECE291R	Work Experience Practicum II# (135 hours)...	0	0	3
ECE220R	Practicum Seminar#	2	0	2
ECE2xxR	ECE Elective.....	3	0	3
ENGL286R	Children's Literature#	3	0	3
PSYC114R	Human Development	3	0	3
XXXxxxR	Social Science, Humanities/Fine Arts/World Language, Mathematics or Science Elective	3/4	0	3/4

- Co/prerequisites Required. See Course Descriptions

Program of Study is subject to change.

The Early Childhood Education Program Technical Standards are located on the College's website and in the programs's handbook.

Early Childhood Education

LEVEL I CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
ECE101R	Foundations of Early Childhood Education.....	3	0	3
ECE102R	Child Growth & Development.....	3	0	3

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
ECE103R	Health, Safety and Nutrition for the Young Child.....	3	0	3
ECE104R	Curriculum for Early Childhood Care and Education#.....	3	0	3

- Co/prerequisites Required. See Course Descriptions
Program of Study is subject to change.

LEVEL II CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
ECE101R	Foundations of Early Childhood Education.....	3	0	3
ECE102R	Child Growth & Development.....	3	0	3
ECE120R	Learning, Behavior & Positive Guidance.....	3	0	3
PSYC101R	Introduction to Psychology.....	3	0	3

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
ECE103R	Health, Safety and Nutrition for the Young Child.....	3	0	3
ECE104R	Curriculum for Early Childhood Care and Education#.....	3	0	3
ECE105R	Children with Special Needs and Their Families#.....	3	0	3
ECE190R	Practicum I#.....	1	0	3

- Co/prerequisites Required. See Course Descriptions
Program of Study is subject to change.

INFANT AND TODDLER CERTIFICATE

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
ECE101R	Foundations of Early Childhood Education.....	3	0	3
ECE102R	Child Growth & Development.....	3	0	3
ECE208R	Introduction to Infant Mental Health#.....	3	0	3

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
ECE103R	Health, Safety and Nutrition for the Young Child.....	3	0	3
ECE105R	Children with Special Needs and Their Families#.....	3	0	3
ECE200R	Developmentally Appropriate Programs for Infants and Toddlers#.....	3	0	3

- Co/prerequisites Required. See Course Descriptions
Program of Study is subject to change.



Massage Therapy

Program offered in Lebanon & Keene

Massage Therapy: Healing Hands with Heart

The Massage Therapy Certificate program prepares graduates for rewarding careers as licensed massage therapists in private practice, hospitals, chiropractic offices, wellness centers, cruise ships, spas, resorts and fitness centers. The program, which can be completed in as little as 12 months or 24 months, prepares students to enter the field with a broad background and the ability to work with a diverse group of clients and health care providers.

Massage Therapists are in demand! According to a US Department of Labor estimate*, employment for massage therapist is expected to increase by 26% between 2016 and 2026, much faster than average for all occupations. In addition, it was reported that the median annual income for a massage therapist in 2010 (including tips and a 15 hour work week) was \$39,860.

*<http://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/massage-therapists.htm>

Our mission is to develop and advance the art, science and practice of massage therapy in a caring, professional and ethical manner.

Admission Requirements:

1. Meet the college requirements of admissions.
2. Complete the admission forms.
3. Request transcripts from high school and/or college and have directly sent to RVCC.
4. Schedule an interview with the Massage Therapy Program Director. (sprasch@ccsnh.edu)
5. Take the Accuplacer test. (Minimum score of 70 in Reading Comprehension and sentence skills of 78)
6. File for financial aid if applicable at: <https://fafsa.ed.gov/>

Program Start Dates: September.

Internship Experiences for Real World Learning: In the final semester of the program, the student meets with the program director to choose an internship site that aligns with future career goals. Under the supervision of a Licensed Massage Therapist, Chiropractor, Physical Therapist, Physician or other health care provider, the student gains valuable real world experience. (see page 81 to see a list of current internship sites)

Learning Expectation: Knowledge translates to success. Therefore, a minimum grade of "C" on a 7 point scale (C=80%) is required to progress within the massage therapy program and to graduate.

Associate Degree and Dual Degree options:

There are several options for students to complete additional coursework to earn an Associate Degree along with the Massage Therapy Certificate. Some options include: General Studies, Liberal Arts, or dual majors with Occupation Therapy Assistant or Physical Therapy Assistant program.

Additional Information

Upon completion of the program, the student is responsible for completing First Aid and CPR certification and completing the application for the licensure exam and New Hampshire Massage Therapy License.

CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

Courses are offered in fall, spring and summer. You will work with the program director to design your learning experience.

SAMPLE FIRST SEMESTER

	CL	LAB	CR
MASS101R Basic Massage Theory and Application.....	2	3	3
MASS102R Human Body I.....	3	0	3
MASS105R Massage Essentials.....	3	0	3
MASS107R Intro to Massage Specialties I.....	2	3	3

SAMPLE SECOND SEMESTER

	CL	LAB	CR
MASS103R Human Body II.....	3	0	3
MASS108R Introduction to Massage Specialties II.....	2	3	3
MASS117R Massage Business Practices I.....	1	0	1
MASS121R Intermediate Massage Theory and Application	2	3	3
MASS126R Massage Rules and Ethics.....	1	0	1
MASS193R Massage Clinical Experience.....	0	6	2

SAMPLE THIRD SEMESTER

	CL	LAB	CR
MASS104R Human Body III.....	3	0	3
MASS118R Massage Business Practices II.....	2	0	2
MASS130R Advanced Massage Theory and Application..	2	3	3
MASS140R Massage Capstone.....	2	3	3
MASS195R Massage Practicum.....	(45 Practicum) 1		



Our teachers are educators as well as practicing massage therapists, creating a powerful learning experience that produces Licensed Massage Therapists of the highest caliber.

Mathematics and Science

Biological Science Concentration

The Associate of Science (A.S.) in Mathematics and Science with a concentration in Biological Science will provide a pathway of transfer for students who wish to pursue baccalaureate studies in the biological sciences while offering them a mathematics and science background that allows for a variety of career opportunities in the related fields. Furthermore, upon graduation with an Associate of Science degree in Biological Science, RVCC students will be prepared to enter the workforce in positions such as laboratory and field technicians. Students who participate in the program will learn to think critically, reason logically, appreciate the nature and practice of science, and understand and evaluate quantitative and qualitative research.

Built on a cohesive program of study that stresses the connections between STEM majors (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics), the program design is based upon national standards for majors in Biological Science. It includes rigorous and diverse curriculum, accomplished faculty, support for the students and administrative support. Some additional highlights of the program include: biomedical research and biomedical technology embedded into several of the core biological science laboratory curricula; "Science talks" - seminars presented by active scientists; Science Club run by the Biological science students and faculty; extracurricular opportunities/trips to increase exposure to the scientific community; and an active research laboratory.

The Associate of Science in Biological Science emulates the first two years of a four-year college and university degree. All students are required to take at least 60 credits to complete the degree of Associate in Science. Of these credits, 24 are general education requirements, and an additional 36 are specific to concentration requirements.

Suggested course sequencing for this concentration are as follows:

FIRST YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
BIOL101R	Biology: Chemical & Cellular Basis of Life# ...	3	3	4
CHEM140R	Chemistry I#	3	3	4
MATH110R	Functions and Modeling I*#	4	0	4
ENGL102R	College Composition#	3	0	3
				15 credits

SPRING SEMESTER

BIOL102R	Biology: Adaptation, Evolution and Ecosystems#	3	3	4
CHEM141R	Chemistry II#	3	3	4
MATH120R	Functions and Modeling II*#	4	0	4
ENGLxxxR	English Elective	3	0	3
				15 credits

SECOND YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

PHYS130R	Physics I#	3	3	4
MATH210R	Calculus I#	4	0	4
BIOLxxR	Biological Science Elective#	3	3	4
	(200-level)			
MATH106R	Statistics I*#	4	0	4
				16 credits

SPRING SEMESTER

XXXXxxR	Biological Science Elective#	3	3	4
	(200-level) or Math Elective)			
XXXXxxxR	Lab Science Elective	3	3	4
XXXXxxxR	Humanities/Fine Arts/World Language Elective	3	0	3
XXXXxxxR	Social Science Elective	3	0	3
				15 credits

* After successful completion of Statistic 1 and Calculus 1, students have completed the math requirements for the biological sciences degree. Students who do not need to take Functions and Modeling must ensure they accumulate other credits to satisfy college degree requirements

- Co/prerequisites Required. See Course Descriptions

Program of Study is subject to change.

Medical Assistant

What is a Medical Assistant? Medical assistants work alongside physicians, mainly in outpatient or ambulatory care facilities, such as medical offices and clinics.

CMA (AAMA) Certification - Many employers of allied health personnel prefer, or even insist, that their medical assistants are CMA (AAMA) certified.

What is a CMA (AAMA)? The CMA (AAMA) credential designates a medical assistant who has achieved certification through the Certifying Board of the American Association of Medical Assistants (AAMA). The CMA (AAMA) is becoming the allied health professional of choice for ambulatory health care delivery settings.

CMA (AAMA) Education - The CMA (AAMA) is the only medical assisting certification that requires graduation from a postsecondary medical assisting program. The RVCC Medical Assisting program is CAAHEP accredited. The Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs is the largest programmatic accreditor of the health sciences professions. After completing the program, RVCC students are immediately eligible to sit for the CMA(AAMA) National Exam.

In Demand - Employment of medical assistants is projected to increase 29 percent from 2016 to 2026, which is much faster than average for all occupations (7 percent).

You can see this data and more concerning the job outlook for medical assistants on the Bureau of Labor Statistics website.

Job Responsibilities - Medical assistants are cross-trained to perform administrative and clinical duties. Overview of duties (these may vary from office to office depending on location, size, specialty, and state law):

Administrative Duties (may include, but not limited to):

- Using computer applications
- Answering telephones
- Greeting patients
- Updating and filing patient medical records
- Coding and filling out insurance forms
- Scheduling appointments
- Arranging for hospital admissions and laboratory services
- Handling correspondence, billing, and bookkeeping

Clinical Duties (may include, but not limited to):

- Taking medical histories
- Explaining treatment procedures to patients
- Preparing patients for examination
- Assisting the physician with procedures
- Collecting and preparing laboratory specimens
- Performing basic laboratory tests
- Instructing patients about medication and special diets
- Preparing and administering medications as directed

- Authorizing prescription refills
- Drawing blood
- Taking electrocardiograms
- Removing sutures and changing dressings

Patient Liaison - Medical assistants are instrumental in helping patients feel at ease in the medical office and often explain the provider's instructions.

PCMH Team Member - Medical assistants are essential members of the Patient-Centered Medical Home team. According to a survey by the Healthcare Intelligence Network, medical assistants ranked as one of the top five professionals necessary to the PCMH team.

Admission Requirements

- Meet the college requirements for admission
- Minimum Accuplacer score for course registration: BIOL103 Human Biology - Reading Score 70

Program Requirements

- Have manual dexterity, hearing, and visual abilities, that meet technical standards for a medical assisting career.
- Participate in a personal interview with the Program Director.
- Students will be required to submit documents for practicum that may include: proof of immunizations, a criminal background check, BEAS report, drug screening, and others as requested by the workplace based learning site.
- Students that have been found guilty of a felony, pleaded guilty to a felony, or had a professional license, registration, or certification denied, revoked, suspended, or subjected to probationary conditions by a regulatory authority or certification board are not eligible for the CMA (AAMA) Exam. The Certifying Board may grant a waiver based upon mitigating circumstances.

Applicants must submit a Request for a Waiver- forms are available on line. <http://www.aama-ntl.org/>

- Students who have misdemeanor or felony charges involving theft, abuse, or drugs may be prevented from participating in required courses to complete the Medical Assistant Certificate.
- Students must earn a minimum grade of "C" in all required courses to progress within the program, register for Practicum, and graduate.

The River Valley Community College Medical Assistant Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (www.caahep.org) upon the recommendation of Medical Assisting Education Review Board (MAERB). Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs 25400 US Highway 19 North, Suite 158, Clearwater, FL 33763 (727) 210-2350, www.caahep.org

Medical Assistant

The MA Practicum is an unpaid, supervised on-site work experience consisting of a 160 hour clinical rotation in an ambulatory healthcare setting, performing psychomotor and affective competencies. Transportation to the site is the student's responsibility.

Medical Assistant students may choose a dual enrollment in the Medical Administrative Assistant Program. The MA curriculum may also be applied towards earning an Associate in Science Degree.

CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

This program of study is designed for a full-time student who completes all requirements within 3 semesters. This plan will vary for any student who has transfer credits or plans on completing the program over a period greater than 3 semesters. Please consult with your program director for additional information.

SPRING SEMESTER

	CL	LAB	CR
ALHT102R Medical Terminology.....	3	0	3
ALHT166R Legal and Ethical Issues in Health Care.....	3	0	3
PSYC101R Introduction to Psychology.....	3	0	3

SUMMER SEMESTER

	CL	LAB	CR
BCPT101R Introduction to Computer Applications.....	2	3	3
BIOL103R Human Biology.....	4	0	4

FALL SEMESTER

	CL	LAB	CR
ALHT101R Communications for the Allied Health Professional.....	3	0	3
ALHT110R Pharmacology#	3	0	3
ALHT121R Medical Office Practice I#	2	3	3
ALHT130R Clinical Procedures I#	3	3	4

SPRING SEMESTER

	CL	LAB	CR
ALHT126R **Introduction to Laboratory Procedures#	2	3	3
ALHT124R Medical Office Practice II#	2	3	3
ALHT135R Clinical Procedures II#	3	0	3
ALHT190R MA Practicum I (160 hours)#	0	0	3
ALHT192R Medical Assistant Senior Seminar#.....	0	0	1

- Co/prerequisites Required. See Course Descriptions

Program of Study is subject to change.

* Matriculation in MLT program, PHBC110R or MA program with ALHT130R, ALHT135R or POI

** Students who have completed PHBC or a certified Phlebotomy course, or sufficient experience as a Phlebotomist and have the permission of the instructor and their program director, may take the Introduction to Lab Procedures (Bridge - ALHT127R) in lieu of *Introduction to Laboratory Procedures – ALHT126R*. Speak to your Program Director directly for advising.

Medical Administrative Assistant

Are you looking for a healthcare career to enter quickly with a challenging work environment? You can graduate with a Certificate as a Medical Administrative Assistant in only two semesters when started in the fall.

The Medical Administrative Assistant (MDAA) performs administrative functions in a variety of health care settings including a hospital or clinic. The MDAA applies their knowledge of medical terminology and computer applications in a variety of roles and locations. Job titles range from unit secretary, medical office specialist, patient care representative, or patient coordinator.

Administrative responsibilities include a wide range of tasks to ensure the medical office functions smoothly and efficiently.

- Using computer applications
- Answering telephones
- Greeting patients
- Updating and filing patient medical records
- Coding and filling out insurance forms
- Scheduling appointments
- Arranging for hospital admissions and laboratory services
- Handling correspondence, billing, and bookkeeping

Applicants to the program must meet the general admission requirement for the college. **The program may be started during any semester.**

Students must earn a grade of "C" or higher in all ALHT courses to progress within the program. **Students have the option of a dual major with the Medical Assistant Certificate Program (MEDA).** All MEDA courses require a minimum grade of "C" to apply towards graduation.

Current Occupational Employment and Wages are available at: <http://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes436013.htm>

FALL SEMESTER

	CL	LAB	CR
ALHT102R Medical Terminology.....	3	0	3
ALHT121R Medical Office Practice I#	2	3	3
ALHT101R Communications for the Allied Health Professionals	3	0	3

SPRING SEMESTER

	CL	LAB	CR
ALHT124R Medical Office Practice II#	2	3	3
ALHT166R Legal & Ethical Issues in Health Care.....	3	0	3
BCPT101R Introduction to Computer Applications.....	2	3	3

- Co/prerequisites Required. See Course Descriptions

Program of Study is subject to change.

Medical Laboratory Technician

Medical Laboratory Technicians (MLTs) play a critical role in the detection, diagnosis, and treatment of disease. MLTs perform highly complex laboratory procedures ranging from detailed manual techniques to sophisticated computerized technology. The continued growth of the laboratory science profession is producing an increased demand for educated and motivated laboratory professionals. Opportunities for employment for the MLT include: hospital and reference laboratories, physician offices, clinics, forensic laboratories, pharmaceutical companies, and research facilities.

The MLT program curriculum is scientifically rigorous and integrates professional and general education courses providing students with both skills required for the profession as well as general life skills. Students entering into this program should have strong interest and ability in science and math, as well as strong attention to detail, as these areas are the foundation for all program courses. In addition to classroom studies, students will spend their final semester in practicum placement at an accredited hospital or private laboratory refining skills in specific clinical areas. Students need to make personal and financial plans to attend this practicum full time during their final spring semester. Clinical affiliations are arranged based on pre-determined criteria and are subject to availability of facilities located throughout New Hampshire and Vermont. Students are required to have liability and health insurance prior to being placed for their clinical rotations. CPR certification is recommended and may be required by some clinical sites. Students must also be able to provide their own personal transportation to all clinical assignments. A criminal record background check may be required for affiliation experience at the request of an agency. All students are required to provide proof of immunity to infectious disease (through vaccination or titer) prior to attending clinical practicum. The cost of all items listed is the responsibility of the student.

Admission Requirements

- Satisfy general requirements for admission to the College
- Have credits (or the equivalent) in high school or college algebra, English, biology and chemistry.
- Interview with the program director or MLT Academic Advisor
- Complete the Supplemental MLT Application Questionnaire found on the RVCC MLT Webpage

All student's health status and abilities must be compatible with the tasks and duties of a MLT including the ability to perform certain motor skills involved in collecting blood, using pipettes and a microscope, and accurately reading color charts for interpretation. During the interview with the Academic Advisor, students will be required to verify their ability to perform the essential skills required by employers who hire MLTs through attestation on the "Essential Skills of a MLT" form which can be found on the MLT RVCC Website.

Upon completion of the MLT program, students are qualified for immediate employment and are eligible to sit for the certification examination offered by the ASCP Board of Certification (BOC). Most employers will require passing of the ASCP exam within a certain time frame following initial employment.

The RVCC MLT program has a direct articulation agreement with the UNH Medial Laboratory Science Bachelor's Degree program. More information on this articulation can be provided during the interview with the Program Director or Academic Advisor.

This two-year Associate Degree program is accredited by the National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences, 5600 N. River Road, Suite 720, Rosemont, IL 60018; www.nacls.org; (773) 714-8880

ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM

FIRST YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
ENGL102R	College Composition#	3	0	3
BIOL103R	Human Biology or equivalent#	3	3	4
CHEM140R	Chemistry I	3	3	4
**BIOL201R	Anatomy and Physiology I#	(3)	(3)	(4)
ALHT126R	Intro to Laboratory Procedures	2	3	3

* = students choose Human Biology or A&P 1 & 2 based on future plans; students planning on attending UNH MLS program following graduation must take A&P 1 & 2. See advisor for clarification.

** = If students take BIOL201R (A&P1) they must take BIOL202R (A&P2)

~ = Students who have completed PHBC110R, or a certified Phlebotomy course, or sufficient experience as a Phlebotomist, and have the permission of their Program director may take Introduction to Laboratory Procedures (Bridge) – ALHT127R in lieu of Introduction to Laboratory Procedures – ALHT126R. Speak to your Program Director directly for advising.

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
~MATHxxxR	Mathematics Elective#	3/4	0	3/4
**BIOL202R	Anatomy and Physiology II#	(3)	(3)	(4)
XXXXxxxR	Social Science Elective	3	0	3
*MLTC112R	Immunology#	1	3	2
*MLTC113R	Clinical Chemistry#	3	3	4

~~ = students choose Statistics if they plan to attend UNH MLS program following graduation

SUMMER SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
*BIOL205R	Microbiology#	3	3	4
*MLTC111R	Urinalysis#	1	3	2

SECOND YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
XXXXxxxR	Humanities/Fine Arts/World Language Elective.	3	0	3
MLTC201R	Hematology#	3	3	4
MLTC202R	Blood Banking#	3	3	4
MLTC204R	Pathogenic Microbiology#	3	3	4

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
MLTC290R	MLT Clinical Practicum#	0	0	12
*MLTC220R	MLT Senior Seminar (4-8 hr seminars)#	1	0	1

- Co/prerequisites Required. See Course Descriptions
Program of Study is subject to change.

All MLTC courses require matriculation in the program or permission of the instructor for registration. All courses require a grade of "C" or better in order to progress through the program. The Clinical Practicum must be passed with a grade of "C" or better for course completion.

Nursing – Associate of Science Degree in Nursing

The Associate of Science Degree in Nursing (ASN) Program prepares the student for beginning level of practice and for National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) for Registered Nurses (RN). Graduates are prepared to enter the nursing profession as safe and effective health care professionals who contribute to the health and wellness of their communities. Upon graduation, students are qualified for immediate employment in a variety of healthcare settings that include hospitals, long-term care facilities, and clinics.

The nursing curriculum provides a contemporary, quality education. The program has full approval from the New Hampshire Board of Nursing and national accreditation from the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN). For more information on the ACEN accreditation contact <http://www.acenursing.org/>.

NURSING PROGRAM MISSION

To facilitate students' achievement of personal and professional goals and assist them in becoming responsible and contributing members of the nursing profession and their communities.

Nursing Program Outcomes

- The first-time pass rate for RVCC nursing graduates is equivalent to, or exceeds the national pass rate for first-time test takers who are graduates of associate degree nursing programs.
- Eighty percent (80%) of students will graduate from the RVCC Nursing Program within 3 years of the initial admission into the program.
- Within six months of graduation from the RVCC nursing program, 90% of graduates will be employed as Registered Nurses.

NCLEX Pass Rates

	2015	2016	2017
RVCC	N/A	92.31%	92%
NH	87.02%	90.31%	90.85%
National	84.51%	84.56%	87.12%

Program Completion Rates (150%)

2016 Graduates	2017 Graduates
77.4%	87.5%

Job Placement Rates

2016 Graduates	2017 Graduates
100%	100%

Program Information

The Associate of Science Degree in Nursing consists of science, general education, and nursing courses. The nursing courses are sequential and must be completed within five years of entrance into the program. Each nursing course integrates classroom learning with simulation laboratory activities and faculty supervised clinical experiences to prepare students to provide holistic nursing care to individuals, families, and groups in a variety of healthcare settings. The nursing program is offered at the Claremont and Keene campuses.

Learning experiences may vary in time, location, and may include days, evenings, and/or weekends. Students admitted into the Nursing program must achieve a minimum grade of B- (80%) or higher in the nursing theory courses and a grade of "Pass" in the work-based learning clinical courses in order to continue in the program. All general education courses must be achieved with a grade of "C" or higher.

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN NURSING - PROGRAM OF STUDY

Program Pre-Requisite Requirements: Licensure as a Nurse Assistant in NH, BLS/CPR Program Pre- Requisite Courses: High School English, Algebra, and Chemistry

FIRST YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

	CL	LAB/CLIN	CR
BIOL 201R Anatomy & Physiology I.....	3	3	4
PSYC101R Introduction to Psychology.....	3	0	3
ENGL102R College Composition#.....	3	0	3
ADNR116R Nursing Care I	3	2 lab	
		10 clinical	7
ADNR105R Nursing Seminar I.....	1	0	1

SPRING SEMESTER

PSYC114R Human Development	3	0	3
BIOL202R Anatomy & Physiology II#.....	3	3	4
ADNR117R Nursing Care II	4	2 lab	
		13 clinical	9
*MATHxxxR Mathmatics Elective	3 - 4	0	3 - 4

SECOND YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

BIOL205R Microbiology.....	3	3	4
ADNR215R Nursing Seminar II.....	1	0	1
ADNR220R Nursing Care III.....	4	2 lab	
		13 clinical	9

SPRING SEMESTER

XXXXxxxR Humanities/Fine Arts/ World Language Elective	3	0	3
ADNR225R Nursing Seminar III	1	0	1
ADNR230R Nursing Care IV	4	2 lab	
		16 clinical	10

* MATH elective option – It is highly recommended if you are planning to continue your education in a RN to BSN program that you take MATH 106R – Statistics I

Admission Process

Applicants interested in the Nursing Program should contact Kathy Aldrich, the Admissions Counselor to begin the process. kaldrich@ccsnh.edu or 603-542-7744 x 5323.

Applications are not reviewed until complete. Students are advised to apply early and complete all application requirements on or before the deadline of December 31st. Students are notified of acceptance by March 1st. Student selection for available seats is competitive and based on a point system. (See website for full details). Once accepted, students must be prepared to meet all nursing program requirements by July 1st in order to begin the nursing sequence in fall semester.

Students may request a transfer of credits from courses taken at other accredited colleges and universities. The Vice President of Academic & Student Affairs makes final determination of transfer credits. In order to transfer general education courses, they must have a minimum grade of "C" or better. Science courses must be current within the last 8 years. Applicants are required to provide official transcripts to the Office of Admissions at RVCC in order for the transfer process to occur.

Admission Program Requirements

- Complete the College Application
- Provide evidence of high school or college credits in chemistry
- Meet minimum score requirements in all four sections of the ATI Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) assessment.
- Submit two letters of Professional Reference on forms provided by the nursing program

Additional Requirements

- **Licensure** – current NH licensure as a Nurse Assistant or Practical Nurse.
- **CPR** – American Heart Association (AHA) or American Red Cross (ARC) healthcare provider.
- **CRIMINAL BACKGROUND RECORD** – A NH and federal criminal background record is required. Any fees are at the expense of the student. A history of a felony or selective misdemeanors, may deny entrance into the nursing program.
- **DRUG TESTING** – Drug testing may be required prior to the start of any work-based clinical learning experience. Any fees are at the expense of the student.
- **MEDICAL INSURANCE** – Students are required to carry medical insurance to participate in clinical.
- **MEDICAL DOCUMENTATION** – Current physical exam, with immunizations and vaccinations. See website for complete list.

Technical Standards

All students in the RVCC nursing program must be able to perform diverse, complex, and specific functions and skills. Technical and professional standards for nursing are essential duties which speak to a student's ability to participate and be successful in the nursing program. These attributes include, but are not limited to personal and professional skills, physical agility, medical safety and other requirements that individuals must possess in order to be eligible for satisfactory completion of the program of study as well as for the desired field of nursing. The qualifications established by the faculty include but are not limited to the following essential technical standards:

- Sufficient hearing to assess patient needs and to understand instructions, emergency signals and telephone conversations.
- Sufficient visual acuity to observe patients, manipulate equipment, and interpret data; visual acuity sufficient to ensure a safe environment, identify color changes, read fine print/writing and calibrations.
- Sufficient speech and language ability to express, comprehend, and exchange information and ideas verbally and non-verbally and to interact clearly and logically with patients, family members, physicians, peers, and other medical personnel.
- Ability to work with frequent interruptions, respond appropriately in emergencies or unexpected situations, and cope with variations in workload and stress levels.
- Sufficient strength and motor coordination to perform the following physical activities: manual dexterity to operate and handle equipment, moving and transferring of patients, and performing CPR.
- Ability to utilize intellectual abilities, exercise good judgment, and promptly complete all responsibilities attendant to the diagnosis and care of patients and families.
- The ability to maintain mature, sensitive, and effective relationships with patients, students, faculty, staff and other professionals under all circumstances.
- The ability to recognize that one's own values, attitudes, beliefs, emotions, and experiences affect one's perceptions and relationships with others
- The ability to learn and abide by professional standards of practice.
- The ability to self-reflect, be accountable, and willing to acknowledge limitation of knowledge or skills.
- Be willing to accept guidance and feedback from individuals in supervisory positions.

Further information at <http://www.rivervalley.edu/>

Advanced Placement (AP) Nursing Associate of Science Degree in Nursing

Advanced Placement Option for Licensed Practical Nurses (LPN)

The Advanced Placement (AP) option is designed to expand upon the previous education of the Practical Nurse. Applicants must have a current Practical Nurse license. The application process is the same as for the Associate of Science Degree in Nursing except a NH State Police Criminal background check is required of any applicant who holds a PN license other than a NH LPN. Instructions for the criminal background check are available in the nursing office. The results of this background check must be submitted to the ASN Department Chairperson who will determine the applicant's eligibility for admission to the ASN Program. Admission is on a space available basis. In addition to the above requirements, AP applicants are required to meet minimum score requirements on the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) Assessment and achieve a Proficiency Level II on both the ATI Fundamentals of Nursing Assessment and Nutrition Assessment.

Applications and completed application requirements must be received in the Office of Admissions by February 28 for the application to be placed in the applicant pool for consideration. Students are notified of acceptance by March 31.



Equivalent nursing credits of "B-" (80%) or higher, from a regionally accredited nursing school may be transferred from the applicants' basic practical nursing program. Equivalency of credits will be determined by the ASN Department Chairperson when transcripts and course descriptions are submitted. Students from non-regionally accredited programs who achieved credits with a "B-" or higher, should contact the ASN Department Chairperson to determine eligibility for possible recognition of previous academic work.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) Pre-Requisites

The following Pre-Requisites must be completed (with a grade of C or better) to meet admission requirements of the PN to RN advanced placement (AP) option:

Anatomy & Physiology I	4 Semester Credits
Anatomy & Physiology II.....	4 Semester Credits
Introduction to Psychology.....	3 Semester Credits
Human Development.....	3 Semester Credits
Mathematics Elective.....	3 or 4 Semester Credits
College Composition.....	3 Semester Credits

As an AP student, 17 credits for the first level ASN courses are applied to the transcript. AP students enter in the second year of the ASN Program after successfully completing the 2 credit Transition PN to RN course (ADNR197R).

ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM OF STUDY

SUMMER SEMESTER

	CL	LAB/CLIN	CR
ADNR197R Transition PN to RN.....	2	0	2

FALL SEMESTER

	CL	LAB/CLIN	CR
BIOL205R Microbiology.....	3	3	4
ADNR215R Nursing Seminar II.....	1	0	1
ADNR220R Nursing Care III.....	4	2 lab 13 clinical	9

SPRING SEMESTER

	CL	LAB/CLIN	CR
XXXXxxxR Humanities/Fine Arts/World Language Elective	3	0	3
ADNR225R Nursing Seminar III.....	1	0	1
ADNR230R Nursing Care IV.....	4	2 lab 16 clinical	10

Program of Study is subject to change.

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Occupational Therapy: “Living Life to its Fullest”

Occupational therapy is the profession for individuals who enjoy solving challenging problems which help people of all ages overcome physical, developmental, mental and/or emotional disabilities and achieve independence; you will find many opportunities in the field of occupational therapy. The need for therapists will grow well into the 21st century, reflecting the importance of function, prevention of disability, and promotion of health. The Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant (COTA), under the supervision of a registered Occupational Therapist, uses therapeutic activities to help people with an illness or disability live healthy, productive lives. Therapy is functional, purposeful, and individualized for each client. In the classroom, students experience simulated and actual clinical activities. Students will learn vital skills to safely work with people with many types of abilities, disability, and functional challenges.

American Occupational Therapy Association Centennial Vision (2006)

“We envision that Occupational Therapy is a powerful, widely recognized, science driven evidence based profession with a globally connected and diverse work force meeting society’s occupational needs.”

Admission Requirements

General college admission requirement:

- High School Diploma including general education core.

Program requirements: (all located in the OTA Admission Packet located on RVCC website: <http://www.rivervalley.edu/admissions/application-process-forms>):

- 2-4 hours Fieldwork observations
- High School chemistry, college level Chemistry I or Intro to Chemical Principles
- One letter of recommendation
- Essential Skills Agreement
- Licensure/Liability Agreement

- CPR for allied health professionals or a course including child, adult and AED training
- Criminal background checks and fingerprinting (required for FW placement and may be completed in the first year of matriculation) *the cost of these are the responsibility of the student
- An interview with the Program Director after all program and college application materials are submitted.

Curriculum Grading and Progression Through Program

The student must pass all OCTA, AHLT and Liberal Arts courses with a minimum grade of “C”. All OCTA and AHLT courses are based on a 7-point scale (C=80). At selected points in the program, students must pass a comprehensive examination in order to progress.

Curriculum Flexibility

The curriculum may be completed in two to three years. A curriculum plan is individualize for each student and done so with the OTA Program Director. All students must complete the curriculum within a three year period from the date of their matriculation.

Program Accreditation

RVCC’s OTA Program is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE) of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA), located at 4720 Montgomery Lane, PO Box 31220, Bethesda, MD 20824-1220. AOTA telephone number: (301) 652-AOTA. Graduates of the program will be able to sit for the national certification examination for the occupational therapy assistant administered by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT). After successful completion of this exam, the individual will be a Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant (COTA). Most states require licensure in order to practice; however, state licenses are usually based upon the results of the NBCOT Certification Examination.

NBCOT examination pass rates

Year	Total Number of New Graduates Testing	Total Number of New Graduates Passing	Total Number of New Graduates Failing	RVCC Percentage Passing Rate of New Graduates
2017	18	16	2	89%
2016	13	13	0	100%
2015	12	11	1	92%
Total 3-year	43	40	3	94%

Occupational Therapy Assistant continued on next page



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APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

CLAREMONT

1 College Place - Main Campus
Claremont, NH 03743
(603) 542-7744
1-800-837-0658

KEENE

438 Washington Street
Keene, NH 03431
(603) 357-2142
1-800-837-0658

LEBANON

15 Hanover Street
Lebanon, NH 03766
1-800-837-0658

DIRECTIONS AND INFORMATION FOR THE APPLICANT

1. Please type or print all responses on the application in ink.
2. Request an official copy of your high school transcript or high school equivalency scores be sent directly to the College.
3. **TRANSFER APPLICANTS:** Submit application. Request your former Institutions send an official copy of your transcript **directly** to the College.
4. Participation in a testing program may be required and a fee charged.
5. A personal interview may be required for competitive programs only.
6. Send application to the main campus: River Valley Community College, 1 College Place, Claremont, NH 03743.

DIRECTIONS FOR HIGH SCHOOL:

1. Please attach applicant's secondary school transcript or record to this application including all of the following:
a) courses taken and grades received; b) current rank in class; c) standardized test results as available; d) high school recommendation.
2. Forward to: Admissions Office
River Valley Community College,
1 College Place, Claremont, NH 03743.



Statement of Non-Discrimination

River Valley Community College is committed to creating and maintaining a positive and productive learning environment for students, a professional setting for its employees, and a community atmosphere grounded in mutual respect, dignity, and integrity. In light of these objectives, the Community College System prohibits all manner of discrimination in the administration of its employment programs and practices on the basis of unlawful criteria including race, color, religion, national or ethnic origin, age, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, gender identity or expression, genetic information, and veteran status, as defined under applicable law. This statement is a reflection of the mission of the Community College System and its Colleges and refers to, but is not limited to, the provisions of the following laws, as amended: Equal Pay Act of 1963, Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Civil Rights Act of 1991, The Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, Title IX of the Education Amendment of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act of 2008, Section 402 of the Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008, NH Law Against Discrimination (RSA 354-A).

Inquiries regarding discrimination may be directed to:

Amy Audsley
Equity Committee Chairperson
River Valley Community College
1 College Place, Claremont, NH 03301
603-542-7744

Sara A. Sawyer
Director of Human Resources
Community College System of NH
26 College Drive, Concord, NH 03301
(603) 2716300

Inquiries may also be directed to:

US Department of Education
Office of Civil Rights
5 Post Office Square, 8th Floor
Boston, MA, 02109-3921
Telephone: 617-289-0111
FAX: 617-289-0150; TDD: 800-877-8339
Email: OCR.Boston@ed.gov

NH Commission for Human Rights
2 Chennell Drive, Concord, NH 03301
(603) 271-2767

Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
JFK Federal Building
475 Government Center
Boston, MA 02203
(617) 565-3200 or 1-800-669-4000
TTY 1-617-565-3204 or 1-800-669-6820

*ANSWERING QUESTIONS SO MARKED IS OPTIONAL. THEY ARE USED FOR STATISTICAL & COUNSELING PURPOSES.

*SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

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STUDENT ID#

*For compliance purposes, the Community College System of New Hampshire and its Colleges collects names and social security numbers from all students attending the college. For example, the Internal Revenue Code requires the college to produce a 1098-T tax form. The college's use of social security numbers will be limited to legitimate educational purposes. The college will ensure the security of the student's social security number and will not disclose it to anyone outside the college, except as authorized by federal or state laws or applicable policies.

Check One: ☐ Mr. ☐ Ms. ☐ Mrs.

E-MAIL ADDRESS

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

NAME

Last _____ First _____ Middle _____

List other names used on school records _____

MAILING ADDRESS

Street _____ City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____ - _____

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Primary _____ - _____ Cell _____ - _____

AREA CODE

AREA CODE

*Male ☐ *Female ☐ *Date of Birth _____ / _____ / _____

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U.S. Citizen? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Resident Alien ☐ Yes ☐ No

include
documentation

If not a US Citizen: Country of Citizenship _____ Country of Birth _____

*ETHNIC BACKGROUND: (Check all that apply)

☐ White, Non Hispanic ☐ Hispanic ☐ American Indian/Alaskan Native
☐ Black, Non Hispanic ☐ Asian ☐ Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander ☐ Other/Unknown

Please indicate if a member of your family is attending this institution.

Name _____ Relationship _____

Have you ever served in the Military? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you eligible for Veterans Educational Benefits? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't Know

Are you applying for Survivors' and Dependents' of Veterans Educational Assistance? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't Know

Are you eligible for National Guard Educational Assistance Programs? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't Know

Please indicate the person who should be contacted in a medical emergency.

NAME OF: (check one) ☐ Parent ☐ Spouse ☐ Other

Last _____ First _____ Middle _____

MAILING ADDRESS

Street _____ City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____ - _____

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Primary _____ - _____ Work _____ - _____ Ext. _____

AREA CODE

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THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED BY ALL APPLICANTS**FOR OFFICE USE**
☐ Degree
☐ Certificate

What semester do you wish to begin your studies?
☐ Fall
☐ Spring
☐ Summer
Year _____

APPLYING FOR: _____
(PROGRAM OF STUDY OR MAJOR)
How did you learn about RVCC? _____

Are you the first in your immediate family to attend college?
☐ Yes
☐ No
DISABILITY SERVICES

If you would like information on services for students with disabilities, please contact the Disabilities Coordinator at (603) 542-7744.

APPLYING FOR ACADEMIC AMNESTY?
☐ Yes
☐ No

A student who has previously attended River Valley Community College and is admitted at a later time may be eligible for Academic Amnesty. See page 5 of the catalog for more information.
I AM INTERESTED IN FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION
☐
HIGH SCHOOL LAST ATTENDED

School Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

High School Graduation Date / / or Year High School Equivalency Awarded

MO DAY YR

Have you ever applied to this institution?
☐ Yes
☐ No
Date /

MO YR

Have you ever attended this institution?
☐ Yes
☐ No
Date /

MO YR
COLLEGE(S) PREVIOUSLY ATTENDED

Name	Dates Attended	Degree	Transfer Credit
Name _____	City _____ State _____	_____	_____
Name _____	City _____ State _____	_____	_____

DUAL ADMISSION PROGRAM IN CONJUNCTION WITH UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

- I request enrollment in the dual admissions program between River Valley Community College and (please select only one):
☐ University of New Hampshire - Durham
☐ Plymouth State University
☐ Granite State College
☐ Keene State College
- By doing so: I authorize both River Valley Community College and any designated schools to release an official copy of my transcript and any other relevant student information to each other for the purpose of Dual Admissions.
- I understand this request for Dual Admissions and Release of Information in accordance with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) shall remain in effect at all times when I am an active student at either River Valley Community College or any other University System school unless each are notified in writing.

PROOF OF RESIDENCE

Applicants must complete one of the following statements regarding domicile. If neither is appropriate, attach a notarized statement detailing the facts upon which your claim for NH domicile is based. If you are claiming NH domicile but are not currently living in the state, be certain to explain the circumstances which requires that you live elsewhere. Payment of property taxes does not in itself constitute the basis for a claim to a legal domicile. Information on rules governing tuition rates may be obtained by writing the Admissions Office (River Valley Community College, 1 College Place, Claremont, NH 03743). Misrepresentation of facts in order to establish a claim to New Hampshire domicile will be viewed by the Admissions Office as justification for revocation of college acceptance or returning an application without consideration.

IN-STATE APPLICANTS

Student Name _____
LAST FIRST MIDDLE

Legal Domicile _____ NH
STREET CITY COUNTY

Mailing Address if different _____

I have been legally domiciled at the address above for the past twelve (12) months. I have no other legal domicile.

Signature of applicant (or parent/guardian signature if applicant is under age 18)

OUT-OF-STATE APPLICANTS

I am a resident of _____
TOWN OR CITY STATE

NOTE: New England Regional Student Program (NERSP) - enables a resident of a New England state to enroll in a public college or university in the six state region (ME, NH, VT, MA, CT, RI) at reduced rates for certain degree programs if:

- The program is not available in the home state public institutions, or
- The out-of-state public institution is nearer to the student's residence than the in-state institution that offers a similar program.

Check one that applies:

- ☐ I request to be considered for NERSP.
I am applying for _____
MAJOR
- ☐ I am an out-of-state applicant living outside New England.

Signature of applicant (or parent/guardian signature if applicant is under age 18)

TO BE SIGNED BY ALL APPLICANTS

The information provided by the applicant on this admission application form shall be held confidential to the extent determined by Federal law and College policy. River Valley Community College reserves the right to deny admission to any applicant who, in the judgement of College officials, does not qualify for admission. The College also reserves the right to require withdrawal of any student who does not satisfy the ideals of citizenship, character, or scholarship.

In accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in its publications, and if accepted, I agree to abide by the rules and regulations set forth in the publications and in the Student Handbook, located on the website. I also agree that the College has permission to communicate with me by telephone, text or email, and to use any college sponsored pictures in which any likeness of me appears.

I certify that I have read and agree with the above, and that all information provided herein is true and complete.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent
or Legal guardian _____ Date _____

(If student is under 18 years)

Occupational Therapy Assistant

ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM

FIRST YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
BIOL201R	Anatomy and Physiology I#	3	3	4
PSYC101R	Introduction to Psychology.....	3	0	3
PSYC114R	Human Development	3	0	3
AHLT104R	Introduction to Occupational Therapy/ Physical Therapy#.....	1	0	1
AHLT112R*	Clinical Conditions for Occupational/ Physical/Massage Therapy#	3	0	3
AHLT135R*	Activities of Daily Living#	2	3	3
OCTA110R*	Fundamentals In Occupational Therapy#.....	0	2	1

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
ENGL102R	College Composition#	3	0	3
MATHxxxR	Mathematics Elective#	4	0	4
BIOL202R	Anatomy and Physiology II#.....	3	3	4
AHLT123R	Functional Kinesiology#	2	3	3
OCTA125R*	Therapeutic Principles#.....	1	4	3
OCTA212R*	Developmental Disabilities in Occupational Therapy#	1	3	2

SUMMER SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
OCTA190R*	Level I Fieldwork#	0	0	4
OCTA191R*	Level 1 Fieldwork Seminar	2	0	2

SECOND YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
HUMAxxxR	Humanities/Fine Arts/World Language Elective	3	0	3
AHLT220R*	Clinical Neurology#	3	0	3
AHLT210R*	Physical Therapy/Occupational Therapy Management#	2	0	2
OCTA213R*	Psychosocial Disabilities in Occupational Therapy#	2	2	3
OCTA214R*	Physical Disabilities in Occupational Therapy#	1	3	2

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
OCTA220R*	Seminar in Occupational Therapy#	1	0	1
OCTA290R*	Level IIA Fieldwork Experience# (8 weeks) ...	0	0	6
OCTA291R*	Level IIB Fieldwork Experience# (8 weeks) ...	0	0	6

* Must be matriculated in professional program or receive special written permission of instructor.

- Co/prerequisites Required. See Course Descriptions



Phlebotomy

A career as a Phlebotomy Technician is a rewarding path for someone who desires to work directly with patients. The phlebotomist (PBT) is often the first contact a patient has with the clinical laboratory and phlebotomists must use care and skill to obtain blood specimens from patients for analysis in the clinical laboratory. Technologists and physicians depend upon the phlebotomist to collect quality patient specimens in order to produce quality laboratory results.

Applicants for the Phlebotomy Program must satisfy the general requirements for admission to the College and meet the technical and physical standards that are expected of phlebotomists in the workforce.

The Phlebotomy Program takes place over two semesters and begins every fall. The Phlebotomy Course (PHBC110R) integrates theoretical and practical work and emphasizes interpersonal skills providing the basis for the certificate recipient to work as an entry-level phlebotomist. Students who successfully complete PHBC 100R with a C or better are eligible for the 120-hour Phlebotomy Internship (PHBC190R) in a hospital or other blood draw center.

Students entering the Phlebotomy Internship must be at least 18 years old. Students enrolled in PHBC 190R must make personal and professional accommodations in order to attend this full-time, three week internship. The internship is only offered in the spring semester and must be taken over a consecutive three week period during the day shift. Clinical internships will be arranged through the Clinical Coordinator. To Register for PHBC

190R (Phlebotomy Internship) students must be matriculated in the program and provide all required paperwork to the Program Director by November 15th. Each student will be instructed in specific requirements for their placements during PHBC 110R. Paperwork for each student may include some, or all, of the following dependent upon placement of internship:

- Receipt of proof of immunity to infections disease through documentation of titer or receipt of vaccines
- Proof of health insurance
- Completion of PHBC110R with a C or better
- Criminal Background Check
- 10 or 12 panel Drug Screen
- CPR Certification

Phlebotomists must possess a number of physical and interpersonal skills in order to perform their job safely. All students will be required to verify their ability to complete these tasks on the first day of class by completion of the “Essential Skills of the Phlebotomist” form that can be found on the RVCC Phlebotomy webpage. These skills include, but are not limited to, fine motor skills, some mobility, operating mechanical and computerized equipment and performing clerical duties. Good communication skills are critical in dealing with patients, clients, physicians, nurses and other health care workers.

Successful completion of both PHBC 110R and PHBC 190R with grades of C or better in each courses are required in order to obtain the Phlebotomy Certification. Before a certification can be issued, students must meet all financial obligations with the college.

Students who successfully complete this program are qualified for immediate employment and are eligible to sit for national certification examinations offered by several professional organizations.



CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

FALL SEMESTER

	CL	LAB	CR
PHBC110R Phlebotomy	2	2	3

SPRING SEMESTER

	CL	LAB	CR
PHBC190R Phlebotomy Internship (PHBC110R) (120 hours)	0	0	3

- Co/prerequisites Required. See Course Descriptions

Program of Study is subject to change.

Physical Therapist Assistant

This Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA) program at River Valley Community College is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE), 1111 North Fairfax Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22314; telephone: 703-706-3245; email: accreditation@apta.org; website: www.capteonline.org. If needing to contact the program/institution directly, please call (603) 542-7744 extension 5419 or email lclute@ccsnh.edu.

The PTA program prepares students to work under the direction and supervision of a licensed physical therapist. The program also prepares students for the PTA licensure examination in the student's respective state or jurisdiction. Job opportunities for PTAs can be found across the country and include a variety of different settings. From outpatient clinics to long term care facilities, PTAs can find part time and full time work in variety of working environments. 100% of our PTA graduates report having a job within six months of passing their licensing exam.

RVCC's PTA program includes coursework focused on passing the PTA national licensure examination. Our 2016 and 2017 alumni have a 100% success rate passing the national exam (nationwide average for all PTA programs = 94.45%).

Application deadlines: April 1 and June 15 for the following fall. The PTA program requires supplementary application materials. Applicants must meet all requirements for consideration before entering the program. Space is limited and applicants should be prepared for a competitive selection process. Full details are available at the college website: www.rivervalley.edu/academics/academic-programs/physical-therapist-assistant

Requirements for application consideration: Acceptance is contingent on demonstration of a set academic standard. Refer to the PTA application packet (URL above) or admissions office for details.

Technical Standards: Students must meet motor, sensory, communication, behavioral, and critical thinking standards for admission to the program. These standards are in accordance with the rigors of the field. For more information, please refer to the PTA Program Application Packet (URL above).

Transfer Options: The PTA program has a transfer agreement in place with Franklin Pierce University which allows students to apply their work at River Valley towards a Bachelor's degree from FPU. An Associate Degree in PTA is considered terminal, and is not a stepping stone to a Doctorate in Physical Therapy (DPT) degree. Graduates interested in related coursework may consider a certificate in Massage Therapy, an Associate degree in Occupational Therapy Assistant, Bachelor degrees in Exercise Science or Exercise Physiology or Master degrees in Athletic Training.

Special Requirements: The PTA program requires students to take technical and liberal arts courses. All technical courses for the program are offered exclusively at RVCC's Claremont campus. The liberal arts courses availability is more flexible; courses may be offered at our satellite Academic Centers or online. PTA Students are required to keep pace with the class schedule and must take courses in sequential order. Students must also meet technical, dress code and grade standards as well as additional clinical education requirements including, but not limited to, immunizations, CPR certification, liability insurance, health insurance, a Criminal/Sexual Offender Records Information (CORI/SORI) check and/or drug test. Students are responsible for those expenses. All courses in the PTA program must be passed with a grade of "C" in order

to progress. All PTAC and AHLT courses are based on a 7-point scale (C=80). At selected points in the program, students must pass a comprehensive examination in order to progress.

The PTA program combines classroom and laboratory work at the college with two full-time (8 weeks and 10 weeks) supervised clinical education experiences. The Academic Coordinator of Clinical Education works with each student to assign appropriate clinical sites. Assignments depend on the availability of clinical sites. Students may be required to temporarily relocate or travel an estimated 90 minutes one way. A car is required for personal transportation to all clinical education experience assignments.

Once matriculated into the PTA program, all courses must be successfully completed within 3 years unless special permission has been obtained from the program director to continue for a fourth year. The testing of competencies is required after a leave of absence or a prolonged period of study. Please see the PTA program Student Handbook online for more information.

Graduates must pass a national examination and satisfy licensing requirements in most states in order to practice legally under the supervision of a physical therapist.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM

FIRST YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
ENGL102R	College Composition#	3	0	3
BIOL201R	Anatomy and Physiology I#	3	3	4
AHLT104R	Introduction to Occupational Therapy/ Physical Therapy#	1	0	1
AHLT112R*	Clinical Conditions for OT/PT#	3	0	3
AHLT135R*	Activities of Daily Living#	2	3	3
PTAC112R*	Physical Therapy Procedures I	2	3	3

SPRING SEMESTER

MATHxxxR	Mathematics Elective#	3/4	0	3/4
BIOL202R	Anatomy and Physiology II#	3	3	4
AHLT123R*	Functional Kinesiology#	2	3	3
PTAC115R*	Therapeutic Exercise#	2	3	3
PTAC122R*	Physical Therapy Procedures II#	2	3	3

SUMMER SEMESTER

PTAC190R*	PTA Clinical Education Practicum I (8 wks) 304 hours#	0	0	6
PTAC192R*	PTA Clinical Education Practicum I Seminar# (two 8 hour days)	1	0	1

SECOND YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

PSYC114R	Human Development	3	0	3
XXXXxxxR	Humanities/Fine Arts/World Language Elective.	3	0	3
PSYC101R	Introduction to Psychology	3	0	3
AHLT210R*	PT/OT Management#	2	0	2
AHLT220R*	Clinical Neurology	3	0	3
PTAC211R*	Physical Therapy Procedures III#	2	3	3

SPRING SEMESTER

PTAC250R*	PTA Clinical Education Seminar# (eight 8 hour days)	4	0	4
PTAC292R*	PTA Clinical Education Practicum II# (10 wks) 400 hours	0	0	8

* Must be matriculated in professional program or receive special written permission from the Program Director or instructor.

- Co/prerequisites Required. See Course Descriptions
Program of Study is subject to change.

Radiologic Technology

The acquisition of medical imaging is usually carried out by the radiographer, often known as a radiologic technologist. Candidates and R.T.s are held to stringent ethics standards in order to be eligible for certification and registration.

X-rays were discovered by Wilhelm Conrad Roentgen on November 8, 1895. Since the initial discovery, technology has evolved rapidly. Radiography includes diagnostic radiography as well as additional imaging modalities such as mammography, computed tomography (CT), magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), PET-CT, PET-MRI, cardiac-interventional radiography, vascular-interventional radiography, quality management (QM), bone densitometry, nuclear medicine (NM), radiation therapy, and sonography. Radiography has been an indispensable diagnostic tool of modern medicine. Broken bones can be aligned, ulcers can be detected, and many other injuries and conditions can be treated when the exact nature is known to the physician.

What is a Radiologic Technologist?

A Radiologic Technologist is a scientific artist who works as part of the health professional team. With this art, they contribute to the diagnosis and treatment of the patient. They are responsible for the accurate demonstration of body structures on a radiograph or other image receptor. The Radiologic Technologist determines the proper exposure factor, manipulates medical imaging equipment, evaluates the radiographic images for quality and provides for patient protection and comfort.

Program Overview

The Radiologic Technology Program of the River Valley Community College has been developed with the purpose of providing competent Radiographers for the Imaging field. A Radiographer is an important member of the Allied Health Care team. They are responsible for producing high quality medical images for diagnostic purposes. Radiographic procedures are performed on patients of all ages. The program also offers student experiences in the most recent imaging advancements and technology for the acquisition and processing of images in the medical field. Including the use of portable equipment in operating room, emergency room and intensive care units.

Radiography Program Mission Statement:

The mission of the Radiologic Technology Program at RVCC is to educate students to become competent radiographers who provide quality imaging services to healthcare facilities.

Upon completion of the program, graduates are eligible to sit for the certification examination conducted by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists to practice as a Registered Radiologic Technologist.

Program Accreditation

The RVCC Radiologic Technology Program is accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT), 20 N. Wacker Drive, Suite 2850, Chicago, IL 60606-3182. (www.jrcert.org).

Admission Requirements

All new applicants must:

1. Submit a completed admission application, fee, and two (2) letters of recommendation before the published deadline.
2. Be eighteen (18) years of age or older by the starting school year.
3. Have a cumulative GPA of 2.5.
4. Have taken high school or college Biology with lab and/or Physics within the last 10 years with a grade of "C" or better.
5. Submit transcripts (High school or GED scores / College transcripts)
6. Complete one 8-hour observation/shadow experience in a Radiology Department.
7. Attend a Radiologic Technology Informative Session.
8. Interview with a Faculty Member.

Criminal background checks, fingerprinting, immunization records and CPR certification may be required for clinical placement and must be submitted prior to starting a clinical practicum. The costs of these are the responsibility of the student. For additional RADT requirements please see the program package at www.rivervalley.edu.

Additional Testing Criteria

Accuplacer Testing: Sentence Skills at least 78 and Reading skills at least 70 or RVCC course Introduction to College Comp (minimum "C" grade) or RVCC course English Composition I (passed) or Transferring in English Composition I or equivalent (minimum grade "C"). Elementary Algebra score at least 78 or RVCC course: Fundamentals of Mathematical Literacy I and II (or equivalent from elsewhere) passed with at least a "C" grade or RVCC college level math or transferring in college level math.

Curriculum

The curriculum of the program was designed using as a basis curricular recommendations of the American Society of Radiologic Technology, the clinical competencies delineated by the American Registry for Radiologic Technology and the standards for accreditation establish from the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology. These organizations standardize education and accreditation of all programs in Radiologic Technology in the United States.

The program strives to provide the community with an affordable and accessible 21-month educational program where students will learn the appropriate use of technology, and patient care skills to be used in the health care environment. All students must complete the curriculum within a three year period from the date of matriculation.

EDUCATIONAL OUTCOMES

To prepare students/graduates to demonstrate professional values and ethical behaviors in the work place, graduates will:

- demonstrate positive ethical behaviors

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- assist the patients with consideration and respect to their personal beliefs and without discrimination
- conduct themselves in a professional manner

To prepare students/graduates to demonstrate competencies in the essential skills of medical imaging, graduates will:

- Competently practice general diagnostic medical radiography in any clinical setting
- practice radiation protection and radiation safety techniques in ways that minimizes
- radiation exposure to patients, self and other
- meet the clinical competency requirements for each semester
- participate in professional activities and continuing education

To prepare students/graduates to communicate effectively and professionally in the medical environment, graduates will:

- demonstrate good communication skills

To prepare students/graduates to develop critical thinking and problem solving skills, graduates will:

- think critically to act appropriately in solving problems of non-routine and emergency situations

To prepare graduates to successfully meet entry level expectations of employers, graduates will:

- perform at entry level expectation
- successfully complete the radiologic technology program
- Become employed within one year of graduation
- promote continued professional and personal growth and lifelong learning

Curriculum Grading and Progression Through Program

All students must pass all courses within the curriculum with a minimum grade of "C". All Radiologic Technology Program courses are based on a 10-points scale. Upon successful completion of the program students will receive an Associate in Applied Science degree in Radiologic Technology from the College.

Curriculum Flexibility

The curriculum may be completed in two to three years. Each curriculum plan is individualize for each student and done so with the Radiologic Technology academic advisor. All students must complete the curriculum within a four year period from the date of their matriculation.

Clinical Placement

1. The program Clinical Coordinator is responsible for: placing all students to the clinical practicum and arranging all contractual agreement between clinical placements.
2. Students should expect to commute long distance for clinical placement. This commute is expected due to the rural nature of the college location and site availability.

3. Liability insurance is required to engage in clinical placements.
4. Students will be required to purchase uniforms according to RVCC Radiologic Technology clinical dress code.
5. Students must demonstrate competence in all 37 mandatory and 15 elective procedures required by the ARRT (American Registry of Radiologic Technology) prior to graduation.

In Accordance with section 504 of the 1973 Vocational Rehabilitation Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act (PL_101_336), the Radiologic Technology program of River Valley Community College has established an Essential functions list to ensure student success in their discipline. These standards are not meant to be admissions criteria but serve as a guide for successful completion of the clinical aspect of the Radiologic Technology program. River Valley Community College is committed to providing reasonable accommodations to students with disabilities as defined by the American with Disabilities Act. These standards will serve as a guide for the student to be able to become a successful Radiographer.

Due to the physical requirements of the job as a Radiographer, prospective students should be aware that occasional lifting and moving of heavy objects is part of the profession. Any student with a history of physical limitations is advised to consult a family health care provider prior to enrolling in the program.

Essential functions list

1. Reach and manipulate equipment to its highest position (6'). Can raise objects from a lower to a higher position or move objects horizontally from position to position. (This function requires the substantial use of the upper extremities and back muscles.)
2. Move and stand with wheelchair and/ or stretcher and help patient on/off imaging table.
3. Possess mobility, coordination and strength to push, pull or transfer heavy objects. Lift a minimum of 50 pound and ensure patient safety.
4. Possess manual dexterity, mobility, and stamina to perform CPR
5. Move from room to room and maneuver in small spaces.
6. Demonstrate manual dexterity to perform necessary manipulation such as drawing doses with syringes, manipulating locks, sterile and aseptic techniques.
7. Use sufficient correct eyesight to observe patients and evaluate radiographic quality.
8. Visually monitor patients/charts/machine indicator lights in dimly lit conditions
9. Read and apply appropriate information and instructions contained in requisitions, notes and patient charts.

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10. Possess sufficient hearing to assess patient's needs, follow instructions, communicate with other health care workers, as well as respond to audible sounds of radiographic equipment. (Please comment if corrective devices are required.)
11. Communicate in a clear and concise manner with patients of all ages, including obtaining health history and pertinent information.
12. Understand and apply clinical instructions given by department personnel
13. Able to read, comprehend, and write legibly in the English language
14. Be able to adapt to changing environments and schedules
15. Establish rapport with fellow students, coworkers, patients and families
16. Function under stressful conditions
17. Oriented to reality and not mentally impaired by mind-altering substances.
18. Able to convey sensitivity, respect, tact, and a mentally healthy attitude
19. Endure a minimum of two hours of didactic instruction in a normal classroom environment.
20. Have physical stamina to stand and walk for 8 hours or more in a clinical setting.
21. Can bend the body downward and forward by bending at the spine and waist (This factor requires full use of lower extremities and back muscles). Can flex and extend all joints freely.

FIRST YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
BIOL201R	Anatomy & Physiology I#	3	3	4
MATH110R	Functions & Modeling I#.....	4	0	4
RADT101R	Introduction to Radiologic Technology & Clinical Simulated Lab Practicum#.....	1	2	2
RADT110R	Patient Care & Medical Terminology#.....	1	2	2
RADT115R	Radiographic Position & Procedures I#	2	2	3
RADT132R	Principles of Radiographic Exposure, Image Acquisition and Processing#	3	0	3

SPRING SEMESTER

ENG102R	College Composition#	3	0	3
BIOL202R	Anatomy & Physiology II#	3	3	4
RADT120R	Radiation Physics & Imaging Equipment#	2	0	2
RADT121R	Radiologic Technology Clinical Practicum I#			4 (180)
RADT215R	Radiographic Position & Procedures II & Contrast Media#	2	2	3

SUMMER SEMESTER

RADT122R	Radiologic Technology Clinical Practicum II#			4 (180)
RADT218R	Radiographic Positions & Procedures III#.....	1	2	2

SECOND YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
XXXXxxxR	Social Science Elective.....	3	0	3
CSCIxxxR	Computer Elective.....	3	0	3
RADT223R	Radiologic Technology Clinical Practicum III#			5 (225)
RADT228R	Radiation Biology & Protection#.....	2	0	2
RADT229R	Cross Sectional Anatomy#	1	2	2

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XXXXxxxR	Humanities/Fine Arts/World Language Elective	3	0	3
RADT214R	Radiologic Pathology & Image Critique#.....	2	0	2
RADT224R	Radiologic Technology Clinical Practicum IV#			5 (225)
RADT235R	Quality Assurance & Ethical & Legal Issues#	2	0	2
RADT240R	Introduction to Imaging Modalities#.....	2	0	2

- Co/prerequisites Required. See Course Descriptions
Program of Study is subject to change.



Respiratory Therapy

Respiratory Therapists are health care specialists who evaluate, test and treat people with breathing disorders. They are also a vital member of the hospitals' emergency team, protecting the airway and adjusting life support equipment.

Working under the supervision of a physician, and alongside other health care professionals, the Respiratory Therapist will use oxygen, medications and various procedures to help the lungs to function adequately. Some disorders that Respiratory Therapists treat include: asthma, emphysema, pneumonia, lung injuries, cystic fibrosis, and bronchitis. Therapists can be found in all areas of acute care hospitals as well as long term care facilities and in homecare settings.

The program goals are to prepare graduates with demonstrated competence in the cognitive (knowledge), psychomotor (skills), and affective (behavior) learning domains of respiratory care practice as performed by registered respiratory therapists (RRTs).

Admission requirements:

- Satisfy the general requirements for admission to the college.
- Obtain credits in High School Algebra, English and Chemistry.
- Interview with the Respiratory Therapy faculty.
- College Anatomy & Physiology I (Pre- or co- requisite)
- College Anatomy & Physiology may be taken either as a pre-requisite or co-requisite to the first RT semester.

The Respiratory application process is competitive. The program can only accept 16 students each fall, so it is of benefit to apply and complete your application early. Students will be notified of decisions regarding acceptance following completion of the application. Applicants may begin in any semester to take liberal arts courses that are required within the Respiratory Therapy program.

Special requirements:

Applicants must meet all High School requirements for consideration before entering the program. RT students are required to keep pace with the class and must take courses in sequential mode where required (please refer to the Respiratory curriculum design). Students must meet technical standards and additional requirements including immunizations, CPR certification, liability and health insurance and a Criminal/Sexual Offender Records Information (CORI/SORI) check.

All courses in the RT program require a grade of "C" or better, in order to progress through the curriculum. All RT courses are based on a 7-point scale (C= 80). The Director of Clinical Education works with each student to assign appropriate clinical sites. Clinical assignments depend on the availability of clinical sites, and students may be required to travel long distances. A car is required for personal transportation to all clinical education experience assignments.

All courses in the RT program must be successfully completed within 3 years unless special permission has been obtained from the program director to continue a fourth year.

Technical standards:

The technical standards for applicant/students in the RT program include motor, sensory, communication, behavior and critical thinking skills reflective of reasonable expectations for performance of common Respiratory Therapy functions.

The Respiratory Therapy program is fully accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (COARC) and has full accreditation through 2017. Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (COARC). 1248 Harwood Rd., Bedford, TX 76021-4255 (817) 283-2835.

Program Outcomes: www.coarc.com/47.html

ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM

FIRST YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
MATH106/110R	Statistics I or Functions & Modeling I ...	4	0	4
RSPT110R	Respiratory Care I.....	3	2	4
RSPT121R	Respiratory Physiology#.....	4	0	4
RSPT132R	Pulmonary Evaluation I#.....	2	2	3

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
BIOL202R	Anatomy and Physiology II	3	3	4
RSPT122R	Respiratory Care II.....	2	2	3
RSPT228R	Cardiopulmonary Disease I.....	3	2	4
RSPT140R	Respiratory Care Pharmacology I	3	0	3
RSPT115R	Microbiology for Respiratory Care	2	0	2

SUMMER SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
RSPT191R	Respiratory Practicum I.....	0	0	4
ENGL102R	College composition.....	3	0	3
XXXXxxxR	Social Science Elective.....	3	0	3

SECOND YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
RSPT211R	Critical Care Respiratory Therapy RSPT191R	2	2	3
RSPT229R	Cardiopulmonary Disease II.....	3	2	4
RSPT281R	Respiratory Practicum II.....	0	0	4
RSPT240R	Advanced EKGs for Healthcare Providers.....	3	0	3

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
XXXXxxxR	Humanities/Fine Arts/World Lang. Elective ...	3	0	3
RSPT213R	Neonatal & Pediatric Respiratory Care.....	2	2	3
RSPT219R	Advanced Care Seminar.....	0	0	1
RSPT282R	Respiratory Practicum III.....	0	0	4

Prerequisites & Co-requisites required.

See Course Descriptions.

Students must pass all Respiratory Therapy courses with a grade of "C" or better to progress in the program

Social Services

The Social Services Program has a strong core focusing on key foundational knowledge and skills needed in helping professions. All students study:

- Diverse Populations of Communities
- Child & Human Development and General Psychology
- Systems Theory and Sociology
- Service Coordination
- Interpersonal Communication Skills
- Ethics and Professionalism

Working with an advisor, students select program electives to prepare for entry into a career or for continued study in a specialty area. Program electives may include courses in:

- Psychology
- Sociology
- Criminal Justice
- Early Childhood Education

Graduates of RVCC's Social Services Program are prepared to work in a variety of settings including, but not limited to, the following: city and state offices, non-profit agencies, community action programs, correctional & transitional facilities, area agencies, behavioral & mental health centers, and schools.

RVCC's Social Services degree prepares students for a variety of entry-level positions such as outreach worker, program manager, residential counselor, and support aide. Other positions, such as social worker, substance abuse counselor, and psychologist or psychiatrist, require an advanced degree.

In addition to the Associate Degree, the College also offers a Certificate in Social Services. This certificate focuses on the major courses required for beginning level positions, as well as providing students with an entry point for continuation in the Associate Degree.

The applicant for the Social Services Program should meet the general requirements for admission to the College. A Criminal Background Check is the responsibility of students and may be required for fieldwork and/or employment. See the full Criminal Background Check Policy in the Admissions section of this catalog. Students are required to have liability insurance during fieldwork. Transportation to fieldwork is the responsibility of the student.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN SOCIAL SERVICES

FIRST YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
ECE102R	Child Growth and Development	3	0	3
ENGL102R	College Composition#	3	0	3
HSV110R	Introduction to Social Services	3	0	3
MATH106R	Statistics I#	4	0	4
PSYC101R	Introduction to Psychology	3	0	3

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
HSV125R	Service Coordination#	3	0	3
HSV126R	Issues in Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities#	3	0	3
PSYC114R	Human Development	3	0	3
XXXXxxxR	Science Elective	3	3	4
SOSC101R	Introduction to Sociology	3	0	3

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
HSV123R	Supportive Communication Skills	3	0	3
XXXXxxxR	Program Elective	3	0	3
XXXXxxxR	Program Elective	3	0	3
XXXXxxxR	Humanities/Fine Arts/World Language Elective	3	0	3
XXXXxxxR	Liberal Arts Elective	3	0	3

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
HSV270R	Social Services Fieldwork#	0	0	3
HSV271R	Social Services Seminar#	1	0	1
PSYC210R	Abnormal Psychology#	3	0	3
XXXXxxxR	Program Elective (must be 200 level)	3	0	3
XXXXxxxR	Program Elective (must be 200 level)	3	0	3

- Any co/prerequisites are listed with Course Descriptions
Program of Study is subject to change.

SOCIAL SERVICES - CERTIFICATE

FALL SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
ECE102R	Child Growth & Development	3	0	3
HSV110R	Introduction to Social Services	3	0	3
HSV123R	Supportive Communication Skills	3	0	3

SPRING SEMESTER

		CL	LAB	CR
HSV125R	Service Coordination#	3	0	3
HSV126R	Issues in Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities#	3	0	3
PSYC114R	Human Development	3	0	3

- Any co/prerequisites are listed with Course Descriptions
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Course Descriptions

ADVANCED MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY

MTTN101R CNC I - G&M Code Programming

2 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

G&M Code Programming is the study of the alpha-numeric language executed by Computer Numerically Controlled (CNC) machines. The fundamentals studied in this course will include the format of CNC programs, common G-Codes, M-Codes, as well as materials and speeds & feeds. This course will also introduce applicable machine shop related math. The lab is furnished with a ProLIGHT 1000 CNC Mill. Students will also use simulation software for the mill and lathe via the internet. (Prerequisite: MTTN106R or Permission of Instructor.)

MTTN102R Blueprint Reading with GD&T

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course is intended as an introduction to understanding blueprints and being able to visualize and understand the intent of the designer or draftsman as presented in a blueprint. The first step in making quality parts or assemblies is interpreting the drawing correctly and applying the given information to the final product. This course will include a comprehensive guide to interpreting drawings commonly found in manufacturing beginning with the background of blueprints, looking at the types of lines used on a drawing, and how parts are shown in different views. Dimensioning and tolerances are explained with an emphasis on "Geometric Dimensioning and Tolerancing" (GD&T) using the "ASME Y14.5M-1994" standard.

MTTN104R Machine Tool Math

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This specialty class highlights the math in "everyday use" in manufacturing. Select topics from basic arithmetic, algebra, geometry and trigonometry will be taught. The student will also learn how to use a Scientific Calculator. The structure of this class will highlight the relevance of the course material to industry by using "real-world" examples and problems. This course will be led by instructors with strong manufacturing experience who will focus on the math topics needed for a successful career in manufacturing.

MTTN105R Introduction to Inspection

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course is intended as an introduction to Inspection using mechanical measuring instruments. The student will gain the skill and knowledge to perform basic measurements and calculations. They will learn how to use precision measuring tools such as micrometers, calipers, dial indicators, and the steel rule. Students will become proficient at reading mechanical blueprints and will learn how to select the proper tool for measurement and for preparing quality control documents and inspection reports. Students will also learn the basics of related topics such as statistical sampling and quality control. Dimensioning and tolerances are explained with an emphasis on "Geometric Dimensioning and Tolerancing" (GD&T) using the "ASME Y14.5M-1994" standard.

MTTN106R Machining Processes I

3 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

Machining Processes I covers the machining theory which comprises both manual and CNC (computer-numerical controlled) machining practices. This course outlines the practical applications of safety, measurement and inspection, blueprint reading, metallurgy, and turning/milling technologies as they relate to both manual machining and CNC machining.

MTTN108R Applied Machining Practices I

3 CLASS HOURS / 6 LAB HOURS / 6 CREDITS

Applied Machining Practices I is a basic course in the set-up and operation of computer numerically controlled machine tools (lathes and mills) including the selection of tooling, understanding the machine functions, calculation and inputs of offsets, basic machine code interpretation, and maintaining quality through a production run. (Prerequisites/Corequisites: MTTN101R, MTTN106R)

MTTN201R CNC II – CNC Operation, CAM

3 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

CNC II – CNC Operations, CAM is a course designed primarily to teach the student the general theory and practices used in the operation and set-up of Computer Numerically Controlled (CNC) machines and basic Computer Assisted Manufacturing (CAM) Design. Concepts studied in this course will be offsets and adjustments, editing and troubleshooting of programs, CNC Machine tooling, speeds and feeds of materials and tools, positioning theory, and advanced programming including sub programs, cutter and tool nose compensation programming, and canned cycle use on mills and lathes. CAM will be introduced using MasterCam version 9.1 (will be upgraded to version 10 for 2007) by the student developing basic geometry and producing a basic CAM / CNC Project. (Prerequisite: MTTN101R)

MTTN204R Machining Processes II

3 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

Machining Processes II covers the advanced machining theory which comprises both manual and CNC (computer-numerical controlled) machining practices. This course teaches safe work habits, advanced set-ups, and develops student confidence and imagination. Emphasis is on advanced machine operations and closer tolerances (with projects) are introduced. This course is designed to make the student more aware of the importance of efficient use of time in the machining process and advanced set-ups. (Prerequisite/Corequisite: MTTN106R)

MTTN205R Advanced Inspection and Lean Manufacturing

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Advanced Inspection and Lean Manufacturing is a course covering the basics of manufacturing procedures and standards, process documentation and control, inspection of components for compliance to specifications, proper calibration, care and use of advanced measurement tools and instruments. This would include an introduction to the core principles of lean manufacturing for continuous improvement. (Prerequisite: MTTN105R)

MTTN207R Applied Machining Practices II

3 CLASS HOURS / 6 LAB HOURS / 6 CREDITS

Applied Machining Practices II is an advanced course in the set-up and operations of computer numerically controlled machine tools (lathes and mills) including the selection of tooling, understanding the machine functions, calculation and inputs of offsets, advanced machine code interpretation, and maintaining quality through a production run. Specific emphasis on process development and prove-out with advanced programming (including wait code and macro logic), troubleshooting, adjusting machine parameters, and determining machine alignment for a production machine tool are discussed. (Prerequisites/Corequisite: MTTN108R)

MTTN208R CNC Machining Apprenticeship / Internship

1 CLASS HOUR / 4 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

The CNC Machining Apprenticeship / Internship will give a student experience in industrial, business, or government work situations that leverages real world experience through practical work experience. It allows students the opportunity to translate academic theories and principles to action, to develop skills and abilities through carefully planned and supervised programs. (Prerequisites: MTTN101R, MTTN106R)

ALLIED HEALTH CORE COURSES

AHLT103R Communication and Interpersonal Relationships

3 CREDITS

This course provides fundamental knowledge of effective communication techniques that are essential to developing interpersonal relationships. Content includes the communication process, levels of communication, barriers to communication, effective communication techniques, and interpersonal relationship skills.

AHLT104R Introduction to Occupational Therapy/**Physical Therapy****1 CLASS HOUR / 1 CREDIT**

This course is designed to give the student an overview of the Occupational/Physical Therapy programs and professions. The history and development of the professions, scope of practice and roles of the health care personnel are discussed. Also reviewed will be professional competencies, role delineations of the PT, OT, PTA and OTA, review of case studies and practice models, medical abbreviations, safety issues, current issues and trends, and ethical and legal practice. This introductory level course is offered in the first semester of the first year and is designed to improve and enhance an understanding of the field of OT and PT. It is a foundation course for OCTA110 Fundamentals of OT. (Prerequisite: One of the following ENGL102R or equivalent or previous minimum of Associate Degree or waiver from OTA or PTA program director)

AHLT106R Introduction to Healthcare Research**3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course is geared for the student or health care professional who wants to become involved with healthcare research. Basic concepts are presented along with real-world examples. This course will address selected topics and statistical procedures that are common to medical research in general and specifically to allied health care. It is a goal of this course to aid the student to become an "educated consumer" of healthcare research. (Prerequisites: ACCUPLACER Sentence Score 78 (or above) and ACCUPLACER Reading Comprehension Score 70 (or above), or Permission of Instructor)

AHLT112R Clinical Conditions for Occupational/**Physical Therapy****3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

Clinical disorders and diseases commonly treated by physical and occupational therapy are presented. Pathology, etiology, diagnosis, signs and symptoms and prognosis will be discussed. This course is designed to give a background on clinical conditions the PTA and OTA student will encounter during clinical education experiences/fieldwork. This course is a foundation course that introduces all students to common diseases and disorders. It is offered in the first semester of the first year of the curriculum design. (Co/Prerequisites: BIOL201R)

AHLT123R Functional Kinesiology**2 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course is designed to give the student a basic understanding of normal human body movement as related to skeletal, articular, neurological and muscular systems. Anatomical palpation and biomechanical principles are also included. This course allows students to focus on the key concepts of the musculoskeletal system. It draws upon content from BIOL 201 (Anatomy and Physiology). It is offered in the second semester of the first year of the curriculum design. (Co/Prerequisite: BIOL201R, Matriculation in OTA, PTA or the permission of instructor)

AHLT135R Activities Of Daily Living**2 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS.**

This combined occupational therapy and physical therapy course shall introduce principles and techniques of client/patient handling and activities of daily living. The students shall have the opportunity with other classmates to experience and demonstrate the basics needed for moving, positioning, planning and training clients for daily living management and mobility. Basic skills required of occupational therapy assistants and physical therapist assistants (as utilized in a variety of clinical settings with client/patients from various cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds) are most effectively learned experientially. These skills provide a strong foundation for future competence in treatment planning and implementation. This course is offered early in the curriculum to introduce and focus on the individual with disabilities society and in relation to practice. It is required for both OTA and PTA students to enhance team collaboration. This course is a foundation course offered in the first semester of the first year. It provides the students with an introduction to patient care, foundational intervention and an introductory understanding to the practice as an OTA and PTA. The course builds upon concepts presented in AHLT 104 Intro to OT/PT and OCTA110 Fundamentals of OT. (Co/Prerequisite: AHLT104R)

AHLT139R Introduction to Health Care Delivery**3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course is designed to introduce the learner to the United States health care delivery system. This content provides a foundation for practicing as a health care provider. Content will focus on exploring health care services, factors influencing health care delivery, financing health care, organizational structures within health care agencies, and the health care team. Emphasis will be on the role and functions of primary health care team members.

AHLT200R Clinical Taping for the Allied Health Clinician**2 CLASS HOURS / 1 CREDIT**

The allied health clinician may be treating patients with ligamentous sprains and muscular or tendinous strains. Knowledge of clinical taping/wrapping for edema control and musculo-skeletal support is a useful additional skill for those interested in working with patients with orthopedic or sports medicine clinical diagnoses. This occasionally-offered course will introduce indications, contraindications, and precautions for taping and wrapping, in addition to the necessary supplies and general considerations. The participant will learn taping and/or wrapping techniques for arch support, shin splints, ankle sprains, Achilles tendon strains, collateral ligament sprains of the knee, various toe, patello-femoral, hip and shoulder dysfunctions, and strains to the biceps, thumb, hamstrings tendons. (Prerequisites: AHLT123R or currently licensed PT/PTA or permission of instructor.)

AHLT201R Aquatic Therapy**3 LAB HOURS / 1 CREDIT**

This course focuses on the use of water as a therapeutic environment alternative to land based rehabilitation. Basic hydrotherapy physics, safety and rationale for aquatic therapy will be discussed. The course will also cover the fundamental techniques and the major aquatic therapy techniques commonly in use today. The student will have opportunity to practice these techniques in a pool setting, and devise a treatment plan progressing from aquatic therapy to land-based treatments. (Prerequisite: Matriculation in PTA program or currently licensed as a PT or PTA)

AHLT210R Physical Therapy/Occupational Therapy Management**2 CLASS HOURS / 2 CREDITS**

In interdisciplinary teams, students will explore the management process and how it relates to physical therapy and occupational therapy practice, employment acquisition, ethics, liability and reimbursement. This course is held in the first semester of the senior year and draws upon introductory concepts as presented in AHLT104 Introduction to OT/PT, OCTA 125, 212, 213, 214 and OCTA190 Level I FW as concepts of management and intervention in the field of OT is discussed and explored. (Co/Prerequisite: OCTA190R or PTAC190R)

AHLT220R Clinical Neurology**3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

Students will gain a basic understanding of the central nervous system and peripheral nervous system (with autonomic nervous system components) in regards to anatomy, neuro-development and function. The course will clarify the neural foundations for understanding human development, clinical neuropathology, neural screening/observation methods, and neurorehabilitation approaches. This course is offered the first semester of the senior year and draws upon concepts learned in AHLT123 Clinical Kinesiology, AHLT112 Clinical Conditions, OCTA 212 Developmental Disabilities, and OCTA 214 Physical Disabilities as these courses introduced both typical and atypical conditions that effect the nervous system of the human body. (Co/Prerequisites: BIOL201R, BIOL202R) AHLT112R (exceptions require the approval of the Professors and the Program Director))

BUSINESS DEPARTMENT**ACCT101R Accounting I****3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course is designed to give the student a basic understanding of accounting principles. It covers the accounting cycle, accounting systems, internal controls, the matching concept, the adjusting and closing processes, and accounting for cash and payroll.

ACCT102R Accounting II 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course is designed to strengthen the student's accounting ability. It covers accounting for a merchandising business, special journals, receivables, notes, inventories, and plant and intangible assets. (Co/Prerequisite: ACCT101R)

ACCT105R Spreadsheets 2 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course develops student skill in creating and maintaining business-oriented spreadsheets. Advanced topics include formulas, function, graphics, database manipulation, and report generation. Keyboard macros and other productivity enhancements are also presented. (Co/Prerequisite: BCPT101R)

ACCT200R Intermediate Accounting 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course will cover financial statement analysis, current and plant assets, and other assets. It also covers current, long-term and contingent liabilities, paid-in capital and retained earnings, and the cash flow statement. (Co/Prerequisite: ACCT203R)

ACCT201R Accounting for Nonprofit Organizations 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course will teach students basic information of not-for-profit accounting and its primary users: federal, state and local governments; hospitals; non-profit organizations and schools. Upon successful completion of the course, the student should be able to describe the primary funds and accounting groups, assist in the budget process, and practice variances among the major nonprofit organizations according to their authoritative pronouncements. (Prerequisites: ACCT102R or Permission of Instructor)

ACCT202R Accounting for Healthcare 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Accounting for Healthcare begins with an introduction to healthcare finance and a description of the current financial environment in which healthcare organizations function. It then will explore the basics of financial and managerial accounting, presenting concepts that are critical to making sound financial decisions to better the cost-effectiveness of the organization. (Prerequisites: ACCT102R or Permission of Instructor)

ACCT203R Accounting III 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course is designed to further the student's accounting ability. It covers partnership and corporate accounting. It also covers stockholder equity, earnings per share and dividends, long-term liabilities and bonds, and the statement of cash flows. (Co/Prerequisite: ACCT102R)

ACCT204R Introduction to Finance 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course is designed to acquaint the student with the manner in which the financial system functions and with the techniques used to reach financial decisions. Major topics to be studied include financial markets, financial performance, securities valuation, capital budgeting, and asset management. A conceptual understanding of the financial decision-making process is developed. The importance of ethical behavior is considered throughout. (Prerequisites: ACCT102R, BUS101R, BUS105R)

ACCT212R Taxes 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course covers the federal income tax laws relating to individuals, proprietorships, partnerships and corporations; tax forms and schedules will also be studied.

ACCT215R Cost Accounting 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course covers the concepts of cost accounting as it relates to job - order systems, and process cost systems as well as profit analysis, budgeting and performance evaluation. (Co/Prerequisite: ACCT102R)

ACCT216R Computerized Accounting 2 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course covers small business accounting using QuickBooks Pro and Peachtree software. Topics include creating and maintaining a chart

of accounts, recording customer and vendor transactions, processing payroll, maintaining inventory, recording adjustments and year-end procedures, printing reports and graphs, creating budgets and estimates, and exporting data to Excel. (Co/Prerequisite: ACCT101R, BCPT101R)

BCPT101R Introduction to Computer Applications 2 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

The purpose of this course is to provide the student with an introduction to and working proficiency with computers. Computer literacy and familiarity with common commercial application software will be developed in a laboratory setting. It will feature the use of IBM-compatible hardware, the Windows operating system, Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, Access, PowerPoint), and the Internet.

BUS101R Introduction to Business 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course provides a framework for understanding business organizations and the relationships that exist in the areas of accounting, management, marketing, human resources, and production and distribution. The course focuses on the inter-relationship of the components and their role in the business process.

BUS104R Principles of Marketing 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

The course examines the principles incorporated in the "market concept" as it relates to the performance of business activities directed toward and incident to, the flow of goods and services to customer or user. The course will introduce the student to the "marketing mix" which is composed of product, price, place, and promotion. Emphasis will also include planning, research and the organization of the marketing function. Environments included are consumer, industrial, profit, non-profit and global. (Prerequisite: BUS101R or Permission of Instructor)

BUS105R Business Math 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course emphasizes common business math applications used to solve math problems dealing with banking, simple and compound interest, promissory notes, payroll, depreciation, insurance, annuities, inventory and overhead, markup/markdown, discounts, percents, taxes, and business statistics.

BUS110R Principles of Management 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course provides a basis for the understanding and development of the skills needed to function productively as a manager and is intended as a base from which the student will be able to develop his/her own creative initiative with application to the challenges encountered by managers at all levels. Study of the aspects and techniques of planning, organizing and staffing, directing, and controlling is accomplished through lecture, discussion and case studies. Emphasis is placed on the quantitative aspects of management techniques. Other areas covered include: organizational characteristics, staffing, control techniques, total quality management, leadership characteristics, decision making motivation, and team development. Executing managerial responsibilities in both the profit and non-profit environments. (Prerequisite: BUS101R or Permission of Instructor)

BUS111R Leadership Training for Business Managers 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course addresses leadership from three vantage points: the executive-level, the mid-level manager and the individual contributor or team leader. Each vantage point calls for competencies in the following leadership areas: Leadership Styles, Leadership influences on employee motivation, drive and commitment, Group Communication, Operational Leadership, Organizational Behavior, Managing Organizational change, Strategic Leadership, and performance management.

BUS201R Human Resources Management 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

The purpose of this course is to familiarize the student with the scope and content of the personnel function. Through case analyses and

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lectures, this course studies the relationship between operating and personnel managers in employment planning, staff recruitment and selection, management training and development, performance appraisal and compensation, and the promotion of equal employment opportunities. Examine the human resource function in implementing the overall strategy of the organization. (Co/Prerequisite: BUS110R or Permission of Instructor)

BUS202R Healthcare Management 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course provides an overview of concepts and issues related to healthcare leadership and management. Through examination of management topics and healthcare situations, the student will explore the skills and knowledge needed to be successful in a diverse and every changing healthcare environment. Topics will include healthcare leadership, organizational design as it relates to the unique nature of healthcare organizations, managing professionals, performance improvement, teambuilding and teamwork, and diversity in the workplace. (Prerequisites: BUS110R or Permission of Instructor)

BUS204R Small Business Management

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

A study of management techniques as applied to small business is covered in this course. Includes requirements necessary in launching a new venture and managing an ongoing business. Topics covered include business plan development, computer applications, human resources, purchasing, marketing, taxation, and risk management and control procedure. Requires students to develop a comprehensive business plan for a new venture of their choosing which is presented as both an oral and written proposal. (Prerequisites: BUSC101R, BUSC104R, BUSC110R or Permission of Instructor)

BUS240R Business Law

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course introduces the student to law as it relates to business and to consumers. It covers the federal and state court systems and administrative agencies. Emphasis is on civil law as it relates to contracts; however, crimes and torts, as well as commercial paper and types of business organization, will also be covered.

BUS216R Organizational Behavior 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course is an introduction to the basic concepts and topics in organizational behavior (OB) and management. It is a study of individuals, groups and interactions of these constituencies. Students will examine theories of motivation, communication, leadership, power, and change with practical relation to contemporary issues. Writing intensive course. (Prerequisites: BUS101R, ENGL102R)

BUS242R Ethics and Social Responsibility in Business

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Ethics and Social Responsibility in Business will provide the student with opportunities to examine the meaning of business ethics and social responsibility of business in light of the numerous high-profile challenges that managers have faced in the past several years. We will focus on ethical leadership and the management of conflicting values confronting business leaders on a daily basis, as well as the more global issue of balancing principles of good business with principles of ethical behavior.

This course in applied ethical leadership will aid the student in understanding the ethical conflicts the student is likely to confront both in the business world and in their communities, and will guide the student in developing a foundation of their own managerial ethical system. Through directed readings, analysis and discussion board conversation, we will explore the meaning of socially responsible leadership, the various conflicting sets of values managers face in an increasingly global and diverse business context, and the manner in which companies manage their ethical obligations and responsibilities. The student will also participate in a final project that will permit you to combine the theories learned in class with your personal skills. (Prerequisites: BUS101)

CSCI101R PC Assembly/Soft Skills

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course is designed to teach the student Personal Computer architecture, the operation and interrelation of its internal components and peripheral devices, its memory organization, the Basic I/O (BIOS) system, and current DOS operating system. The content of this course is intended to reflect the objectives of the industry recognized A+ Certification.

CSCI103R Introduction to Web Development

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

In this course, students will gain knowledge of the web development processes and learn how to develop and maintain web sites using the latest technologies and standards. Students will learn to develop web sites for different web servers and browsers, developing familiarity with common web development tools and using emerging design considerations. Students will also incorporate text, graphical, and form components into web pages and will use text formatting, tables, and CSS for page layout and site design. Students will learn problem solving skills along with the validation of user input into web forms and basic layout and imaging for attractive, informative, and entertaining web sites.

CSCI106R Communication Infrastructure

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course provides a hands-on guide to planning, designing, installing and maintaining the communication infrastructure media used to support voice and data communications which includes copper cabling, fiber optical cabling, and wireless media. The subject matter corresponds to that of industry wide structured cabling standards and the Certified Wireless Network Administrator (CWNA) certification. This course covers network and telecommunications cabling standards and procedures with particular emphasis on copper and fiber optic cabling. Topics include safety considerations, signals and wires, copper media, fiber optic media, testing fiber optic cables, cabling system components, structured cabling, cabling tools, installation techniques, rough-in phase, trim-out phase, finishing and customer support phases. Creating requests for proposals and cabling case studies are also discussed. The course also offers an in-depth coverage of wireless networks with extensive step-by-step coverage of IEEE 802.11b/a/g/pre-n implementation, design, security, and troubleshooting. Material is reinforced with online projects using equipment from two of the principal wireless LAN vendors, Cisco, and Linksys.

CSCI109R IT Ethics

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

The concept of ethics is a very diverse and complicated subject area. Individuals in the IT field are faced with a plethora of ethical dilemmas and without a solid foundation, handling these dilemmas could become overwhelming. This course provides students with the fundamentals skills needed to operate in the IT field in an ethical manner. Students will learn their legal responsibilities as IT professionals, as well as, the ramifications associated with failing to follow the guidelines of industry accepted ethical behavior. Students will learn how IT Ethics are integrated throughout the Global E-World. Students will gain an understanding of how and why ethics are important, especially in the field of Information Technology. This course examines a variety of topics ranging from Intellectual property and privacy rights through censorship and pornography.

CSCI110R Networking I 2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course introduces the basic concepts and principles that underlie computer networking using the Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) model and the TCP/IP protocol suite. Students will learn entry level home network installation technician skills. It presents an overview of networking terminology, examines different networking topologies and architectures, discusses the physical components of computer networks and reviews the principles of network connectivity. It also examines the implementation through design and installation of simple Ethernet networks.

CSCI120R Networking II**2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course is a continuation of Networking I, with increased focus on the installation and configuration of local and wide area networks in a small to medium business environment or Internet Service Provider (ISP). Topics include an introduction to routing using the Cisco IOS, expanded OSI model, Help Desk, Network Upgrades, expanded IP sub-netting and the purpose and responsibilities of the Internet Service Provider (ISP). (Prerequisites: CSCI110R)

CSCI125R Application Programming**2 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course provides students with the skills and knowledge to plan, enter, refine, and debug programs that solve typical business problems. The finished programs are compiled and packaged into stand-alone applications, which are then installed on personal computers for use by office workers who may have minimal computer skills. Although Visual Basic is used exclusively in the course, as students build complete, real-life, multiple-form applications, they learn fundamental programming concepts and techniques used in all programming languages. This is an introductory course and as such assumes no prior programming experience. (Prerequisite: BCPT101R or Permission of Instructor)

CSCI150R Data Structures and Algorithms**2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course provides a hands-on guide to understanding and implementing data structures and algorithms in a computer programming environment. Theories learned in this course will provide the foundation for understanding and working with future programming languages in a professional programming environment. Concepts are theoretical but will be applied through hands on implementation. (Prerequisites: CSCI125R)

CSCI174R Introduction to Programming**3 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS**

Students will learn the basic fundamentals of programming in this course. Students will learn to apply procedural constructs to solve common programming problems by applying techniques for design and structured code while incorporating errorhandling routines in their programs. Debugging, error-handling, and troubleshooting are skills that the student will develop to enhance their program designs. Students will learn the syntax of programming language and learn modular design and the creation of code libraries.

CSCI175R Introduction to C++**3 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS**

In this course students will develop a basic understanding of the C++ programming language. Students will be able to design and implement simple programs dealing with numerical and string processing. They will be familiar with rudimentary input and output operations, algebraic manipulations, logical expressions and string manipulations. Students will also be exposed to the C programming language, which is a subset of the C++. In particular the students will learn bit manipulations.

CSCI185R Introduction to Java**2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

The Java programming language opens the doors to a cross platform Web-based programming. The students will reinforce their basic programming skills and apply them to the Internet environment. The students will learn how to develop applications and applets, how to add active content to their Web pages and how to respond to user initiated events. They will learn how to develop Web user interfaces in a dynamic and responsive way. They will examine client server programming. All this will be accomplished in an Object Oriented Programming environment using Java SDK. (Prerequisites: CSCI175R and Accuplacer Sentence Skills Score of 78 or Permission of Instructor)

CSCI186R Introduction to Operating Systems**2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course provides the student with a comprehensive understanding of the multiple operating systems commonly found in the Information Technology field today. The student will learn the theory behind operating systems and some basic to advanced components of each operating system. The course walks the student through current hardware and how it interacts with operating systems. The student will learn basic functions and design of file systems found in Windows, UNIX, and Macintosh operating systems. This course also discusses how operating systems interface with input, output, and storage devices. The student will learn basic network theory and how to set up network resources through the multiple versions of software. There are many hands-on projects and case projects that provide the student with real experience in supporting multiple operating systems.

CSCI187R Entrepreneurship**2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course provides students with an overview of entrepreneurship by providing a framework for developing an entrepreneurial perspective, while learning the fundamentals of entrepreneurial ventures related to the software industries. Students will learn how to conduct market research, brainstorm ideas, develop a go-to market strategy, manage a team, and present their ideas to potential investors. Students will learn how to develop their technical ideas into potential business opportunities, and to explore the creation of a viable business. Students will learn how to differentiate their products or services from actual or potential competitors. All topics in this course relate strictly to computer science, computer software development and emerging computer related technologies. (Prerequisites: BUS101R)

CSCI197R Relational Database Design with SQL**2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course provides a conceptual base for creating and utilizing relational databases. Students initially learn how to divide raw data parameters into tables and columns according to accepted rules of Third Normal database analysis. The students will create a multi-table computerized database suitable for standalone or web implementation. Both graphical and command line SQL methods of creating relational databases will be used. (Prerequisites/Corequisites: BCPT101R or Permission of Instructor)

CSCI203R Introduction to Linux**2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

The student will be able to perform ordinary tasks in the UNIX operating systems. This would include user management, managing files and directories, use of and editor, executing commands and managing processes. The student will also learn to customize the work environment, use UNIX utilities and learn simple scripting.

CSCI204R Administering Windows Servers**2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

Network Technicians are called upon to manage, troubleshoot, install, and configure network servers, clients and peripheral devices. This course presents the skills needed to implement, maintain and protect a Microsoft Windows Server Domain. The course offers the students the "hands on" opportunity to exercise network management skills and the conceptual background within which these tasks are carried out. (Prerequisite/Corequisite: CSCI110R)

CSCI212R Computer Network Security**2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course offers in-depth coverage of all current risks and threats to an organization's data along with a structured way of addressing the safeguarding of these critical electronic assets. It provides the theoretical and historical background necessary to understand the various types of risks as well as the hands-on, practical techniques for working in the security field.

This course is intended to serve the needs of individuals interested in understanding the field of computer network security and how the field

relates to other areas of Information Technology. The material in this course will provide the broad-based knowledge necessary to prepare students for further study in specialized security fields. This course is also intended to serve the needs of individuals seeking to pass the Computer Technology Industry Association's Security+ certification exam. (Prerequisite: CSCI110R or Permission of Instructor)

CSCI213R Computer Graphics – Adobe I

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Computer Graphics – Adobe I is intended for a course that offers an introduction to Photoshop image editing and Dreamweaver. No previous experience with Adobe Photoshop is assumed, and no mathematics beyond the high school freshman level is required.

CSCI214R Web Animation – Adobe II

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

In Illustrator Essential Training, students learn the basics of this application to new and experienced users alike. Then delve into Illustrator new features, demonstrating how to use each of the tools to its full potential. From the interface to the intricacies of the drawing tools, from transforming, editing, and positioning objects to applying filters and live effects, Illustrator Essential Training covers each aspect of this popular vector graphics application. Exercise files accompany the training. In Flash Professional Essential Training, students delve into the key aspects of working with Flash to create professional animations, design interactive websites, and incorporate audio and video into self-contained presentations. The training covers using the drawing and color tools, mastering the essentials of animation, and working with type, graphics, sound, and video. Exercise files accompany the tutorials.

CSCI217R Web Database Programming

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

The student is introduced to programming using internet scripting technology in a server environment. This course focuses on the fundamentals of scripting and how to program applets and applications for use on the Internet as well as database connectivity to the Internet. (Pre/Corequisite: CSCI103R and CSCI175R)

CSCI220R Storage Networks and Virtualization

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course provides students with the foundations of storing, managing and protecting digital data. Students are also introduced to the concepts associated with server and storage virtualization. Emphasis is placed on understanding how to design, implement and manage virtual servers and local, remote and virtual storage networks. (Pre/Corequisite: CSCI204R)

CSCI223R Advanced Programming

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course enhances the student's understanding and skill in the use of compiled and structured programming languages. Techniques such as data structures, library files and extended functions, array, structure and dynamic memory allocation are covered including modular programming principles. Students are introduced to Object-Oriented Programming (OOP) theory and skills including topics such as objects, classes, encapsulation, abstraction, modularity, inheritance, polymorphism, members, functions, and inheritance. Database dataset access and Web integration are covered to increase the student's ability to manipulate data through programming. (Prerequisites: CSCI1745R)

CSCI235R Networking III

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course is a continuation of Networking II, with increased focus on the installation and configuration of local and wide area networks. Topics include physically connecting LANs and WANs to Cisco routers, implementing static and dynamic routing using the Cisco IOS and troubleshooting routing problems. Access Control Lists provide an introduction to the creation of firewalls. Classful and classless routing

protocols like RIP v1, RIP v 2, single area OSPF, and EIGRP will be thoroughly covered. In addition to basic switch configuration, Virtual LANs are created and trunking is implemented between switches. WAN services such as T1, ISDN, Frame Relay and PPP are examined. (Prerequisite: CSCI120R)

CSCI240R Networking IV

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Network Technicians are responsible for evaluating the computer network needs of new and existing customers. The information gathered is then used to design and propose a network solution suited to the customer's needs. This course is designed to teach students how to analyze a client's computer network needs and then design a suitable end product. Furthermore, students will learn how to properly create a project proposal. (Prerequisite: CSCI235R)

CSCI248R Deployment of Emerging Technologies

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

In this course students will learn about current emerging technologies and how they can impact products developed based on those technologies. Students will also learn the methods in which those emerging technologies can be deployed on current and future platforms. Examples of previous deployments of emerging technology, including several rapid deployment processes or methods, will be examined in this course through individual or team projects.

CSCI249R Open Source Design and Development

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course provides students with an introduction to open source software concepts, applications, and principles. Students will research the open source software development process and technologies and how it can be developed utilizing open source community resources. Economy, business, societal and intellectual property aspects of open source software are explored. Students will gain knowledge by creating open source software using related tools and techniques to develop various open source software applications including mobile applications, web applications, and developing their own open source operating system for distribution. (Prerequisite: CSCI175R, CSCI203R)

CSCI250R Solutions Engineering

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Solutions engineers design and sell complex scientific and technological products or services to businesses. They must have extensive knowledge of the products' parts and functions and must understand the scientific processes that make these products work. Students will learn to combine technical knowledge of products or services they are selling along with interpersonal skills using marketing and sales processes. (Prerequisite: BUS101R, ECON102R)

CSCI251R Quality Assurance

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Students will learn how to develop differing types of test plans, learn differences between manual and automated testing and learn to create secure code on several platforms. Students will learn how to verify, improve, and secure the function of software systems. Through the use of various testing tools and procedures that implement unit/regression tests, performance tests, as well as robust error handling, students will learn how to ensure the proper operation of their software. Students will learn about the role of testing in the software development life cycle and will develop systematic approaches to facilitate testing. Students will learn by doing, testing and securing code they themselves have written in previous classes. (Prerequisite: CSCI250R)

CSCI296R Technology Capstone

3 CREDITS

This course is designed to have students completely integrate every aspect of their prior learning into a final cumulative project. Each student will design, implement and present a project that falls within the specialty area of their matriculated degree path. Projects will be pre-

approved by the instructor through a proposal process. Projects may include client-orientated tasks, practice orientated simulation, academic inquiry, or community engagement activities. Each project will synthesize the work accomplished in the degree and demonstrate mastery of the program outcomes.(Prerequisite: All technology courses required for the degree or POI.)

CSCI297R Technology Internship

0 CLASS HOURS / 4 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

As a culminating learning experience, students will intern at a business or other organization (either for profit or nonprofit) to gain real world experience in their field of study. (Prerequisite: All technology courses required for the degree or POI.)

CYBERSECURITY AND HEALTHCARE IT

CYBS101R Principles of Information Assurance

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Students will be introduced to basic security principles, giving the student an understanding of the current threats and vulnerabilities of the cyber landscape, plus other topics relating to the information assurance field. (Pre/Corequisites: CSCI101R or Permission of instructor)

CYBS110R Topics in Healthcare Information Technology

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Healthcare organizations have unique Information Technology requirements that require uniquely qualified IT professional to ensure the security of the Healthcare IT systems. This course provides the IT professional with the required knowledge to adequately traverse the vastness of the Healthcare IT environment.

CYBS120R Network Security

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Students will learn about network communications from a security standpoint and perform laboratory assignments in securing networks and Operating Systems. Introduces Cisco and other networking systems and related importance to Healthcare IT. (Pre/Corequisite: CYBS101R)

CYBS130R Enterprise Security Management

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Students will understand the principles of risk management, security architectures, incident handling, disaster recovery, and secure systems administration. (Prerequisite/Corequisite: CYBS120R)

CYBS140R Secure Electronic Commerce

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Students will learn about the history, present, and future of electronic commerce in the world. The student will also learn about the threats, vulnerabilities, and policies when dealing with commerce in the electronic age. (Co/prerequisite: CYBS130R)

CYBS200R Electronic Medical Records Systems & Information Assurance Certification and Accreditation Process (EMRS/IACAP)

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Cybersecurity specialists working in the Healthcare field must have a thorough knowledge of the Electronic Medical Record System (EMRS) and the Information Assurance Certification and Accreditation Process (IACAP). As medical records continue to transition into electronic forms, the Healthcare IT profession needs to be aware of how the data is used and stored by software. Additionally, the Healthcare IT professional needs to be able to assess the entire IT system and ensure that the system is hardened against attack while meeting industry accreditation and certification standards. (Prerequisite: CYBS110R)

CYBS250R Digital Forensics

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Students will learn procedures on tracking, analyzing, and patching security holes after an incident has occurred. This will include seizure of

equipment, analysis of confiscated materials and follow up procedures relating to the incident. (Prerequisites/Corequisite: CYBS140R and Membership in Infragard, an FBI sponsored organization)

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

CRMJ101R Introduction to Criminal Justice

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course provides an overview of the American criminal justice system including its roles and expectations of criminal justice professionals, theories of crime causation, crime and punishment philosophy, ethics, and multicultural awareness.

CRMJ102R Criminal Procedure

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course includes the case analysis of the development of Federalism, the separation of powers, the role of federal and state courts in constitutional development, and contemporary development and control.

CRMJ111R Criminal Law

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course will explore the history and development of criminal law as a form of social control. Included is the evolution of criminal law from civil law and the relationship between common and statutory criminal law. Emphasis is given to the substantive aspect of criminal law and how it differs from civil law.

CRMJ112R Introduction to the Juvenile Justice System

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

The nature and extent of juvenile crime, delinquency causation theories, juvenile offender typologies, the juvenile justice process from petition through termination, and institutional and community-based treatment options are examined in the course.

CRMJ201R Criminology

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

An in-depth analysis and evaluation of criminal behavior. Street crime, organized crime and occupational crime will be discussed. The student will learn to investigate, categorize, and describe the theories of criminality and social control.

CRMJ204R Crisis Intervention in Criminal Justice

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course focuses on the emotional aspects of individuals involved in a crisis situation. Coverage is given to the theory and management of specific situations such as stress, death and dying, drug abuse, suicide, sexual assault, disasters and violence. Consideration is also given to the functions and legalities of the mental health system. (Pre-requisite: PSYC101R)

CRMJ210R Drugs and the Law

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

In the first part of this course, the historical use of the major drug groups (including alcohol) will be reviewed. In the second part, the reaction of the criminal justice system to illegal involvement with drugs and alcohol and methods of treating substance abusers will be reviewed.

CRMJ211R Justice and the Community

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course deals with the interaction of the various components of the justice system with the community. It involves an analysis of the way the work of police departments, courts, correctional institutions and community corrections agencies appear to the public. The image of the justice system in the media is examined: specific attention is paid to the issues of the young minorities and community organizations.

CRMJ212R Criminal Justice Communication

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course provides students with the foundation skills, knowledge and abilities required to present effective criminal justice reports, proffer testimony at pre-trial, trial, and post conviction hearings, and prepare APA compliant research documents. (Prerequisites: CRMJ101R, or Permission of Instructor)

CRMJ290R Criminal Justice Internship 9 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

The student will spend 120 hours of individual instruction and guidance at an approved internship site in addition to lectures within the classroom setting. (Prerequisites/Corequisites: completion or enrollment in all other CJ courses.)

CRMJ291R Criminal Justice Senior Project**3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

In this course, through on-going and individualized contact with the supervising instructor, the student develops a topic pre-approved through a prospectus presented to the instructor. The student may develop any topic raised in any major class and is not limited by category. Empirical studies, surveys, literature reviews are among the acceptable categories of research. The final grade is determined by a review of the final product and the extent to which the student has followed the course outlines. (Prerequisites/Corequisites: completion or enrollment in all other CJ courses.)

SERVICE LEARNING**INSV110R Service Learning Experience I****1 CLASS HOUR / 1 CREDIT**

This course will engage students in service experiences within the community. Service Learning is the integration of service and learning where each is valued as necessary for the other. It is a way of learning that takes place through and within the performance of meaningful community service. The focus of the service projects will be to facilitate and enhance academic learning. Students will commit to a sustained community service project with the approval of faculty for a minimum of 16 hours in the semester. A variety of teaching methodologies will be used to facilitate expression of new learning. A summative portfolio will be used to provide evidence of project success and learning.

INSV111R Service Learning Experience II**1 CLASS HOUR / 1 CREDIT**

This course will be a continuation of the Service Learning experience for students who have successfully completed INSV110R. This course will allow students to continue to support an established service project and or mentor beginning Service Learning students. The student will commit to a sustained community service or mentoring objective for a minimum of 12 hours over the course of one semester. A variety of teaching methodologies will be used to facilitate expression of new learning. A summative portfolio will be used to provide evidence of project success, learning and or leadership experiences. (Prerequisite: INSV110R or Permission of Instructor)

INSV112R Service Learning Experience III**1 CLASS HOUR / 1 CREDIT**

This course will be a continuation of the Service Learning experience for students who have successfully completed INSV110R and 111R. This course will allow students to continue to support an established service project or mentor new Service Learning students in organizing and implementing Service Learning experiences. The student will commit to a sustained community service or mentoring objective for a minimum of 16 hours over the course of one semester. Students will participate in reflection seminars that will take place throughout the semester. A variety of teaching methodologies will be used to facilitate expression of new learning. A summative portfolio will be used to provide evidence of project success, learning and or leadership experiences. (Prerequisite: INSV110R, INSV111R or Permission of Instructor)

* Credits do not count toward graduation requirements.

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION**ECE101R Foundations of Early Childhood Education****3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

An overview of the historical and philosophical roots of the early childhood education profession, this course includes a survey of models

of early care and education as well as the range and diversity of early childhood programs. Current issues and trends along with challenges and opportunities within the field are highlighted. The multi-faceted role of the early childhood educator will be emphasized.

ECE102R Child Growth and Development**3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course examines the growth and development of young children, birth through age 8 years. Sequences of development within the following major domains are studied: physical & motor, social & emotional, cognitive, and language & literacy development. In addition, individual differences and multiple, interacting influences on children's growth and development are considered.

ECE103R Health, Safety, and Nutrition For The Young child**3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

An in-depth look at the inter-relationship between health, safety and nutrition issues in early childhood educational settings, this course explores the knowledge and skills early childhood educators need in order to promote the well-being of young children, birth through age 8 years. Topics covered include health promotion, educational experiences, communicable illnesses, safety management, and meals and food safety.

ECE104R Curriculum For Early Childhood Care and Education**3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course will be an exploration into the process of early childhood planning, with special emphasis on the role of environment, curriculum theories, approaches, and trends, and ongoing observation and documentation. Attention is paid to selecting and developing suitable materials, along with developmentally appropriate practices. The cycle of planning, implementing, and evaluating learning experiences is examined and practiced. This course will enhance the student's ability to work creatively in all curriculum areas. (Prerequisite: ECE101R, ECE102R, or permission of program director)

ECE105R Children With Special Needs and Their Families**3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course will examine the child with a special need in the family context and in an inclusionary child care setting. It will provide an overview of the most common exceptionalities and the standard interventions relating to them. Emphasis will be on observation, screening, assessment, family-centered early supports and services, natural environments, individualized education plans, inclusive education, community resources, and family issues. (Prerequisite: ECE102R for Early Childhood Education students)

ECE120R Learning, Behavior & Positive Guidance**3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course introduces students to a positive approach to guidance. Utilizing developmental and learning theories and applying them to the care and education of young children is explored. Major topics include strategies and interventions, the role of observation, and team approaches.

ECE190R Practicum I**1 CLASS HOUR / 3 CREDITS**

This course provides the student with direct, experiential learning in an early childhood care and education setting. Under the supervision of a cooperating teacher, the student will be actively involved in all aspects of the early childhood environment. Emphasis will be placed on the student's interactions with children. In addition, students will begin to develop their interactions with colleagues and with families. A minimum of 90 hours will be completed at the practicum site. Periodic meetings with the practicum instructor and other practicum students will provide opportunity for discussion of and reflection upon the practicum experience. (Prerequisites: ECE101R, ECE102R, ECE103R, ECE104R, or Permission of Program Director)

ECE191R Work Experience Practicum I**1 CLASS HOUR / 3 CREDITS**

This course is designed to provide an opportunity for the student who is currently employed full-time in the early childhood field to receive

college credit for his/her experience. The student must be currently employed in either a licensed or licensed exempt program. Working with an onsite mentor and the practicum instructor, the student will focus on enhancing his/her role as a professional at the work site. Emphasis will be placed on active involvement in all aspects of the early childhood environment and interactions with children, colleagues, and families. Periodic meetings with the practicum instructor and other practicum students will provide opportunity for discussion of and reflection upon the practicum experience. (Pre-requisites: ECE101R, ECE102R, ECE103R, ECE104R or Permission of Program Director)

ECE200R Developmentally Appropriate Programs for Infants and Toddlers 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course is an in-depth study of quality infant/toddler care and education. Principles related to environments, caregiving practices, curriculum, and programmatic issues are explored. In addition, the growth and development of infants and toddlers, birth to age three, is examined. Special emphasis on relationships is woven throughout the course. (Prerequisite: ECE102R or Permission of Program Director.)

ECE201R Organization and Management in Early Childhood Education 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course is a survey of organization and management of early childhood programs. Emphasis will be on learning how to plan, organize, manage, and evaluate programs and facilities serving young children and their families. In addition to exploring the multi-faceted role of the early childhood administrator, the course will also examine standards of quality, record keeping, funding, regulations, staffing, and family and community involvement.

ECE203R Early Language & Literacy Development 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course examines the early language and literacy development of young children, birth through age 8. Students will explore the environments and experiences that support and foster young children's abilities to listen, speak, read, and write. Special emphasis will be given to the multiple roles and responsibilities of an effective early childhood educator. (Prerequisite: ECE102R or Permission of Program Director.)

ECE204R Status of Childhood in America 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

What is the current status of childhood in America today and how has childhood changed over time? Using knowledge from multiple disciplines, this course will examine the context of and significant factors influencing young children and their families. Major topics explored will include the media, technology, issues related to gender and equity, changes in children's play, and public policy. Students will examine what research reveals about optimal child outcomes and will identify specific strategies early childhood professionals can use to advocate for and to support positive child development and healthy family functioning. (Prerequisite: ECE101R, ECE102R or Permission of Program Director)

ECE206R Developmentally Appropriate Programs for School Age Children 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

The role and responsibilities of early childhood educators and child care providers in creating developmentally appropriate experiences for school-age children will be addressed. Discussion will include an integrated approach to language, reading, math and science and the arts for the primary classroom and activities such as clubs, projects, hobbies, music games and other themes suitable for after-school care programs. The importance of communication in building partnerships between home, school and community will be emphasized.

ECE207R Family & Community Relationships In Early Childhood Education 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Why are family and community relationships a key aspect of best practice in early childhood education? Utilizing varied perspectives and research, this course will examine how children's development is af-

ected by those around them. Major topics explored will include developmental issues, family stressors, and cultural considerations. Students will examine exemplary models and will identify and practice utilizing specific strategies that can build family and community relationships. (Prerequisites: ECE101R or ECE102R or Permission of Instructor)

ECE208R Introduction to Infant Mental Health 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course is an introduction to infant mental health. Students will study how children, aged birth to 3 years, develop socially and emotionally. The importance of how this area impacts other developmental domains and early relationships will be explored. The historical foundation and current research and practice of the field will be examined. The role of the early childhood professional as a provider of promotion services will be emphasized. (ECE102R Prerequisites/Corequisites or Permission of Program Director.)

ECE209R Trauma-Informed Early Childhood Services 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course is an introduction to trauma and explores its impact on children, birth through age 5 years, and their families. Topics include child development, family systems, and community services. Strategies that professionals working in early care and education settings can use to support children who have experienced trauma are emphasized. (ECE 102R Prerequisite or Permission of Program Director.)

ECE220R Practicum Seminar 2 CLASS HOURS / 2 CREDITS

This course together with either Practicum II or Work Experience Practicum II forms the associate degree student's capstone experience. The student will synthesize his/her understanding of early childhood education and develop a personal philosophy of teaching. In addition, the student will engage in collaborative and collegial exchanges with other seminar participants. Finally, the student will complete a degree portfolio. (Prerequisites/Corequisites: ECE190R or ECE191R Work Experience Practicum I; ECE290R or ECE291R Work Experience Practicum II)

ECE290R Practicum II 3 CREDITS

The student will increase his/her involvement in an early childhood care and education setting under the supervision of a cooperating teacher. Emphasis will be placed on planning, implementing, and evaluating a developmentally appropriate curriculum. In addition, students will develop and refine their interactions with children, colleagues, and families. A minimum of 135 hours will be completed at the practicum site. (Pre-requisites: ECE190R or ECE191R Work Experience Practicum I minimum grade of C; Co-requisite: ECE220R)

ECE291R Work Experience Practicum II 3 CREDITS

This course is designed to provide an opportunity for the student who is currently employed full-time in the early childhood field to receive college credit for his/her experience. The student must be currently employed in either a licensed or licensed exempt program. Working with an onsite mentor and the practicum instructor, the student will focus on enhancing his/her role as a professional at the work site. Emphasis will be placed on planning, implementing, and evaluating a developmentally appropriate curriculum. In addition, the student will develop and refine his/her interactions with children, colleagues, and families. (Co/Pre-requisites: ECE190R or Work Experience Practicum I (ECE191R) minimum grade of C; ECE220R)

ENGINEERING/ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

ENGR101R Engineering Fundamentals 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Introduction to Engineering provides students with an overview of the various Engineering disciplines to assist them in making informed career choices in the profession. Students will explore the nature of the field through lecture, in-class activities including team and individual design projects and attending seminars given by engineering professionals. Lecture topics focus on the use of fundamental

mathematical models for solving problems relevant to civil, chemical, electrical, mechanical, and other engineering disciplines. Also covered are tools of technical communication and engineering ethics. Engineering analysis using spreadsheets and specialty Engineering software is introduced. (Prerequisites: ENGR110R, MATH110R or Permission of Instructor)



ENGR110R Introduction to Computer-Aided Graphics for Engineers

2 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

In this competency-based course students will learn fundamentals of drafting in a modern, networked, computer lab using AutoCAD and with an introduction to drafting software. The course will cover the concepts and application of orthographic projection, isometric representation, and basic dimensioning. Topics also include linetype conventions, lettering, freehand sketching, geometric construction, sections, and auxiliary views. Students will be introduced to 3-D visualization using wire frame, surface and extrusion modeling techniques. This course includes instruction and laboratory activities and a final project using a 3-D printer. (Prerequisites: Matriculation in Engineering Concentration or Permission of Instructor)

ENGR201R Introduction to Engineering Design and Analysis

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This second course in a two-course sequence continues the preparation of students for success in the academic rigor of an engineering education. Covered in the course are tools of technical communication, recording and analyzing data, dimensional analysis, computational techniques of approximate solutions and basic statistics for quality control. The curriculum includes integration of theory with practical in-class experiments that enhance and support concepts learning in lecture. (Prerequisite: ENGR101R; Corequisite MATH210R)

ENGR205R Manufacturing Engineering Technology Capstone

2 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course in Manufacturing Engineering Technology is designed to provide students with basic aspects of engineering project execution and management. Strong emphasis is placed on problem solving and professional judgment. After completing the course, students are expected to apply learned knowledge and skills to understand, analyze and implement real world engineering projects. This course is designed for individual projects but may include components requiring participation in a team. (Prerequisites: Senior status, MATH210R, ENGR201R or Permission of Instructor)

ENGR210R Introduction to Engineering Thermodynamics

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course in Thermodynamics is designed to provide students with basic theory and practice in the discipline. Strong emphasis is placed on problem solving and professional judgment. After completing the course, students are expected to apply learned knowledge and skills to understand, analyze and design different thermal components, processes and systems. (Prerequisites: MATH212R, SCI140R, SCI231R or Permission of Instructor)

ENGR220R Statics and Strength of Material

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course in Statics and Strength of Materials is designed to provide students with basic theory and practice in the analysis and design of load bearing structures. Strong emphasis is placed on problem solving and professional judgment. After completing the course, students are expected to be able to apply learned knowledge and skill to understand, analyze and design different load bearing structures and structural systems. (Co-Prerequisites: MATH210R, SCI131R or Permission of Instructor)

ENGR230R Introduction to Electrical Engineering

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

This course in Introduction to Electrical Engineering is designed to provide students with basic theory and practice in the discipline. Strong emphasis is placed on problem solving and professional judgment. After completing the course, students are expected to be able to apply learned knowledge and skills to understand, analyze and design different electrical and electronic systems. The course introduces electrical variables circuit laws, no linear and linear elements, ideal and real sources, transducers, operational amplifiers in simple circuits, external behavior of diodes and transistors, first order RC and RL circuits. It also addresses the digital representation of a signal, digital logic gates, and flip flops. A laboratory is an integral part of this course. (Co-Prerequisites: MATH210R, SC231R or Permission of Instructor)

ENGR240R Statics

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Statics introduces the concepts of engineering based on forces in equilibrium. Topics include two- and three-dimensional force systems, the concept of equilibrium, analysis of trusses and frames, centroids bending moment and shear force diagrams, and friction and inertia as they apply to machines, structures, and systems. (Prerequisites: MATH210R, SCI231R or Permission of Instructor)

ENGR241R Mechanics of Materials

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course introduces strength of materials showing students how to determine the stress, strain and deflection suffered by bi-dimensional (and simple tri-dimensional structural elements when subjected to different loads (e.g. normal, shear torsion, bending and combined loads). Once the state of stresses and strains has been established for a particular structure type, the student will be able to evaluate allowable loads and associated allowable stresses before mechanical failure. (Prerequisite: ENGR240R)

LIBERAL ARTS

ENGLISH

***ENGL011R Reading Strategies**

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This is a preparatory course designed to develop the comprehension skills, critical thinking skills and vocabulary skills necessary for reading college level materials and textbooks. Credits do not apply toward degree requirements. (Prerequisites: One of the following: Minimum Accuplacer Reading score of 38, Sentence Skills score of 42, or written permission of instructor)

***ENGL098R Introduction to College Composition**

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Students taking Introduction to College Composition learn to utilize the steps of the writing process including pre-writing, drafting, revising, and proofreading. To stimulate an interest in writing and the writing

process, students are encouraged to write on topics that are personally meaningful. Using both short and full-length writing assignments, students concentrate on finding unity, logical order, and clarity in their writing. Parts of speech, grammar, mechanics, and proper sentence construction will be covered. Students taking Introduction to College Composition must receive a grade of C or better to advance to College Composition. (Prerequisites/Corequisites: Appropriate Accuplacer Reading score of 38 and Sentence Skills score of 42)

ENGL102R College Composition 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

In this course, students learn to write clearly and effectively for defined audiences through a variety of strategies. Emphasis is on the writing process from prewriting through drafting, revising, and editing. Students become aware of the variety of strategies, behaviors, habits, and attitudes and choose those that help them improve. Writing nonfiction from personal experience and observation as well as from library and electronic sources, students gain confidence and learn basic writing principles.

ENGL122R Professional Communications

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Applying principles used in business and industry, this course prepares students to use a variety of written and oral communication styles within the professional community. Students will create and analyze workplace documents, including resumes, memos, instructions, feasibility reports, and proposals, will build on an understanding of issues of audience and purpose, and will learn to utilize visual devices, including a focus on document design and layout to make documents more effective. Attention will also be placed on critical reflection and revision both as initiated by the individual student and as completed in response to the feedback of peers. (Prerequisites: ENGL101R or Permission of Instructor. This course does not count as a second English but as a General Education or Liberal Arts elective.)

ENGL201R The Research Essay 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

The Research Essay builds directly on the skills and attitudes developed in College Composition, especially pertaining to the research process. Students will reach beyond personal knowledge toward expertise through research. Writing a variety of academic papers with strong emphasis on a research essay, students become active investigators, synthesizing traditional sources and personal expertise in order to combine insight and evidence. (Prerequisite: ENGL102R)

ENGL203R American Literature 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

The purpose of this course is to introduce students to American Literature through reading and responding to texts concurrent with the chronology of American history, from its beginnings to contemporary times. Each of the reading will be examined within the context of the character and history of United States literature and its movements. The course covers the evolution of literature as a contributing factor to the continuing development of a nation. Students will demonstrate deeper understanding of how literature allows for a perspective on history and its humanity. (Prerequisite: ENGL102R)

ENGL206R Creative Writing 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Building on writing principles and critiquing abilities learned in College Composition, students will explore the art of creative writing by writing both fiction and poetry. Through writing exercises completed both in and out of class, participating in workshop discussion, and reading a variety of established voices in poetry and fiction, students will develop a sense of the basic tools of creative writing. With an emphasis on sharing work and giving constructive criticism, this class will enable students to make choices about drafting and revising their literary pieces and to work to develop their own individual style. A final portfolio of revised and polished pieces of writing representative of the semester's work will be completed. (Prerequisite: ENGL102R)

ENGL232R Reading Short Fiction 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

In this course, students will read, analyze, interpret, discuss, and write about short fiction. Readings will include various forms of the story, as

well as stories from different culture, countries and centuries. Emphasis will be on the close, careful reading of text, and students will be introduced to the concepts and terminology of prose literature, including plot, conflict, characterization, theme, point of view, and imagery. This course meets the requirement for the second 3 credits of English. (Prerequisite: ENGL102R)

ENGL235R Poetry Workshop 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Building on writing principles and critiquing abilities learned in College Composition, students will begin to investigate the differences between prose and poetry. Through exercises and revision, and especially by reading and discussing some contemporary poems, students will learn to recognize and employ some of the basic tools of free verse. Working together on their own and one another's poems with the emphasis on sharing work and offering constructive criticism, students will learn what does, and what does not work in their own poems. This course meets the requirements for the second course in English. (Prerequisite: ENGL102R or Permission of Instructor)

ENGL236R Fiction Writing Workshop 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Building on writing principles and critiquing abilities learned in College Composition, students will begin to explore the art of creating a successful short story. Through reading a variety of established voices in contemporary fiction, completing writing exercises both in and out of class, and participation in workshop discussion, students will develop a sense of the basic tools of fiction. With an emphasis on sharing work and giving constructive criticism, this class will enable students to make choices about drafting and revising their stories and to develop their own individual style. A final portfolio of revised and polished stories representative of the semester's work will be completed. (Prerequisite: ENGL102R)

ENGL244R World Literature 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

The purpose of this course is to introduce students to World Literature through reading and responding to texts sampled from a global history, examining how literature grows and influences culture in various places during various time periods. Each of the readings will be examined within the context of global literature and its movements, exploring the deeper connections between all of the world's inhabitants. The course covers the evolution of literature as a contributing factor to the continuing development of global relationships, shared knowledge, evolving languages, and the exploration of ideas that precipitate change. By focusing on literature, students will demonstrate deeper understanding of how literature allows for perspective on history and its humanity. (Prerequisite: ENGL102R)

ENGL286R Children's Literature 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course presents children's literature from infancy to adolescence. The course utilizes a transactional view of reading and a variety of writing assignments. Students will examine a wide range of genres in order to develop their abilities to appreciate, critique, and select high quality children's literature. Students will also become familiar with resources available on children's literature and will discuss current issues and trends in the field. (Prerequisite: ENGL102R)

FINE ARTS

ARTS101R Introduction to Drawing

This course teaches students the basics of the art of drawing. Emphasis will be placed on hands-on studio activities and the promotion of visual literacy. Students will learn the basics of line, contour, shading, texture, perspective, composition, and action drawing. Through various readings and presentations, students will analyze and interpret various perspectives in drawing. Critiques and lectures will help students develop an understanding of the critical issues of drawing and of its context within the history of art. Students will also be introduced to the process involved in planning, researching, and actualizing a major drawing project. Students will create several original works of art and compile a portfolio of their artwork.

ARTS102R Introduction to Painting:**Thematic Development 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course teaches students the basics of the art of painting. Students will develop an understanding of the basic elements of painting such as shape, space and composition as well as how to create a full color palette in this introductory level course. There is also a focus on the material qualities of paint including mixing and application to surfaces. Students are encouraged to use self-expression as they learn basic techniques. Classes include hands-on demonstrations, the use of still life, as well as photographs. Students will create several original works of art and compile a portfolio of their artwork. A few supplies are needed and available for purchase at the bookstore. No experience necessary.

HUMANITIES**HUMA102R Art Appreciation 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course educates students in the methods and interpretation of visual art. Students will examine the uses of visual art in human society, and learn to identify and understand visual art media and techniques. Surveying the history of visual art, students will practice analysis and interpretation. As informed viewers, students will be able to examine their own reactions to visual art and make connections between art and life. Field trips may be part of this curriculum and will incur nominal fees.

HUMA107R Understanding World Religions**3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course is an introductory survey of both religious studies as an academic discipline and major religious traditions of the world. Surveyed topics will include an introduction to theory and method in religious studies, classic theories in religious studies, major religious traditions of the world, and an in-depth analysis of one particular religious tradition.

HUMA109R Introduction to Philosophy 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

An introductory survey covering various components of philosophy including Epistemology, Metaphysics, Materialism, Realism, Pragmatism, Logic, Idealism, Existentialism and Aesthetics. This will include classical original, interpretation, development and modern application of these concepts.

HUMA110R The Humanities in Western Culture**3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This interdisciplinary course in Western culture integrates the arts of literature, painting, music, sculpture, film, and the discipline of philosophy. In order to better understand why we are the way we are, our studies are centered on our cultural heritage – from Greece, early Christianity, and the Renaissance to the present day. The course involves students and teacher in an analysis of the human issues and achievements in Western culture in an attempt to make sense of the universe. Attention will be given to the following universal concepts in human thought: search for freedom, search for truth, search for beauty, identity with God, identification with the natural world, and relationship with society. Seminar participation, several short papers and final examination are required.

HUMA140R Myth in US Culture (20th Century)**3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This interdisciplinary course utilizes both the social science and the humanities to examine the making of American Culture. The central driving force is Twentieth Century American Popular Culture. Students will study a variety of sources (fiction, speeches, movies, television and advertisements) to uncover the numerous myths transmitted by these sources and to verify the validity of those myths that forge America's national identity. Several questions guide the students' investigation: What is the relationship between myths, culture and society? Why do we behave the way we do? How do myths shape

our attitudes? Our norms? Our mores? What makes us Americans? Students are graded on participation, several short writing assignments, and a final exam.

HUMA142R Topics in United States History to 1877**3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

A survey course of US History that presents a clear, relevant and balanced history of the United States from the days of its early development through the end of the reconstruction period. Not only does the course review the major events that shaped the nation, but it will look at those issues that impacted on, and changed the lives of the people who lived during this period. Insights into the political, social, economic and cultural issues round out the scope of this course.

HUMA143R Topics in United States**History: 1877 – Present 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

A survey course of US History from 1877 to the present. This course is concerned not just with names and dates, but rather the historical processes that made the US the way it is. The course will focus on the political history, but more importantly the struggles between labor and capital, women and minorities versus the dominant patriarchal state, and the status of the working poor and the way in which they either made, influenced or were exploited by the American system.

HUMA204R Topics in World Culture I 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Topics in World Culture I – in conjunction with Topics in World History I – will provide students with a solid foundation in world culture and history from prehistory to 1600. Through an interdisciplinary approach that links the study of cultural texts with the analysis of primary historical documents, students will gain a deeper appreciation of the human condition. Special attention will be given to such universal concepts in human thought as: search for freedom, search for truth, search for beauty, identity with the divine, identification with the natural world and relationship with society. This seminar will explore world culture from a broad perspective that includes art, literature, architecture, music and philosophy.

HUMA205R Topics in World Culture II 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Topics in World Culture II – in conjunction with Topics in World History II – will provide students with a solid foundation in world culture and history from 1600 to present. Through an interdisciplinary approach that links the study of cultural texts with the analysis of primary historical documents, students will gain a deeper appreciation of the human condition. Special attention will be given to such universal concepts in human thought as: search for freedom, search for truth, search for beauty, identity with the divine, identification with the natural world and relationship with society. This seminar will explore world culture from a broad perspective that includes art, literature, architecture, music and philosophy. (Prerequisite: HUMA204R)

HUMA206R Topics in World History I 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Topics in World History I – in conjunction with Topics in Culture I – will provide students with a solid foundation in world history and culture from 1600 to present. Through an interdisciplinary approach that links the study of cultural texts with the analysis of primary historical documents, students will gain a deeper appreciation of the human condition. Special attention will be given to such universal concepts in human thought as: search for freedom, search for truth, search for beauty, identity with the divine, identification with the natural world and relationship with society. This seminar will explore world history from a broad perspective that includes anthropology, archaeology, philosophy, political science, theology, and sociology.

HUMA207R Topics in World History II 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Topics in World History II – in conjunction with Topics in Culture II – will provide students with a solid foundation in world history and culture from 1600 to present. Through an interdisciplinary approach that links the study of cultural texts with the analysis of primary historical documents, students will gain a deeper appreciation of the human condition. Special attention will be given to such universal concepts in human thought as:

search for freedom, search for truth, search for beauty, identity with the divine, identification with the natural world and relationship with society. This seminar will explore world history from a broad perspective that includes anthropology, archaeology, philosophy, political science, theology, and sociology. (Prerequisite: HUMA206R)

HUMA210R Filming The Vietnam War:

The Hollywood Chronicles 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

"When the legend becomes fact print the legend." (The Man who Shot Liberty Valance) Hollywood always had its own way of chronicling history, this pictorial chronicle portrays a mythic world where myth and reality are tightly twined neither easily separated. Hollywood's chronicle of the Vietnam War was no different. However unlike Hollywood's plethora of WWII war films, only one film "The Green Berets" starring Producer, Director John Wayne was produced by Hollywood during the Vietnam War. Ten years later, two years after the fall of Saigon, the Vietnam War filled the silver screen with gore, bloodshed and angst. This tells us something about the American people's turbulent divisive opinions on the war. With the unexpected defeat of a technologically superior nation state by a technologically inferior, smaller nation state, the American psyche suffered distressing wounds leaving behind unsightly scars as a harsh reminder of those jolting dark days. Hollywood's Vietnam War Films chronicles the psychological traumatizing affects of the war both on the "home front" and "in country." The purpose of this course is to critically view these Vietnam War films in order for the students to analyze Hollywood's discourse on the war. In conjunction with uncovering the underlying meaning of the Vietnam War films, the students will study the physical geography of Vietnam and survey the historical memory of the Vietnam War and compare the two war chronicles for the purpose of seeing more clearly the legacies of a lost war. Since the course is a seminar students will share their findings and thinkings with one another formulating an oral analytical text of the Vietnam War. Students will be evaluated on discussions and several short position papers. (Prerequisite: 100 Level Humanities course)

HUMA245R Native People: An Ethnohistorical Perspective

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Native People inhabited what is now the United States for more than 20 millennium prior to the European "discoveries", explorations, invasion, conquest, and colonization of the Americas. Our study begins with an examination of the indigenous cultures; myths, music, art, and religion. The course investigates the underlying causes and issues of 500 years of perpetual conflict and warfare between the Native People and the Euro-Americans. Since film is so pervasive in American society and so influential in molding American minds, the study closes with the screening of "Dances With Wolves" to examine the popular portrayal of Native People's image in the movies. Course requirements include several position papers and participation. (Prerequisite: 100 level Humanities course)

MATHEMATICS

***MATH016R Fundamentals of Mathematical Literacy**

4 CLASS HOURS / 4 CREDITS

Fundamentals of Mathematical Literacy is a course that develops students' problem-solving and logical reasoning skills to prepare them for college-level mathematics courses. Topics addressed include numeracy, proportional reasoning, geometry and measurement, equality, algebraic reasoning, graphing, linear equations and introductory statistical topics. Upon completing Fundamentals of Mathematical Literacy, students will be prepared to enter Statistics I, Mathematical Investigations, or other introductory Liberal Arts mathematics courses. The course is student centered and focuses on developing quantitative literacy skills through activity-based instruction that integrates technology (e.g., graphing technology, manipulatives) and emphasizes the conceptual understanding of the mathematical concepts studied. Much of the course will focus on the misconceptions that students have developed over their mathematical careers. Multiple assessments tools will be used to measure the course competencies and may include on-going formative assessments, portfolios, quizzes, exams, and projects/investigations

** credits do not apply toward Associate degree requirements.*

***MATH019R Fundamentals of Mathematical Literacy for**

STEM fields

4 CLASS HOURS / 4 CREDITS

(STEM – Science/Technology/Engineering/Mathematics)

Fundamentals of Mathematical Literacy for STEM fields is a developmental mathematics course that develops students' problem-solving and logical reasoning skills to prepare them for credit-bearing mathematics courses needed for STEM fields. Topics addressed include introduction to functions, polynomials, linear and quadratic functions and equations, basic geometric topics, and introductory statistical concepts. Upon completing Fundamentals of Mathematical Literacy for STEM, students will be prepared to enter Functions and Modeling I (college-algebra and trigonometry course), or other introductory Liberal Arts mathematics courses. The course is student centered and focuses on developing quantitative literacy skills through activity-based instruction that integrates technology (e.g., graphing technology, manipulatives) and emphasizes the conceptual understanding of the mathematical concepts studied. Much of the course will focus on the misconceptions that students have developed over their mathematical careers. Multiple assessments tools will be used to measure the course competencies and may include on-going formative assessments, portfolios, quizzes, exams, and projects/investigations. (Pre-requisites: (1) SAT Mathematics Score ≥ 450 OR (2) Successful completion (with a grade of "C" or better) of Fundamentals of Mathematical Literacy OR (3) written permission of mathematics advisor.)

** credits do not apply toward Associate degree requirements.*

MATH106R Statistics I

4 CLASS HOURS / 4 CREDITS

Without assuming a calculus background, Statistics I is an introduction to the basics of descriptive and inferential statistics. The focus of the course will be on the development of statistical literacy and statistical thinking through the examination of real-world data from a variety of contexts, including data sets that are of interest to students. Topics include statistical distributions, linear regression and correlation, surveys and experiments, sampling distributions, probability, confidence intervals and hypothesis testing. Student centered, the course engages students in projects focusing on activity-based instruction that integrates technology (e.g., dynamic statistical packaged, calculator-based "labs", spreadsheets, on-line virtual manipulatives) and emphasizes the conceptual understanding of the statistical concepts studied. (Prerequisites: (1) SAT Mathematics Score ≥ 530 OR (2) SAT Mathematics Score ≥ 450 with required mathematics workshop (3) Successful completion (with a grade of "C" or better) of Fundamentals of Mathematical Literacy or Fundamentals of Mathematical Literacy for STEM Fields OR (4) written permission of mathematics advisor.)

MATH107R Statistics II

4 CLASS HOURS / 4 CREDITS

Statistics II is the continuation of Statistics I. The course begins with a review of sampling distributions and topics from Statistics I as necessary. The focus of the course is on strengthening proficiency with descriptive and inferential statistics by studying topics including probability, Binomial and Geometric Distributions, confidence intervals and hypothesis testing for proportions and means, Chi-square Tests, inference for regression, and Analysis of Variance. Student centered, the course engages students in projects and case-studies and is focused on activity-based instruction that integrates technology (e.g., dynamic statistical packages, spreadsheets) and emphasizes the conceptual understanding of the statistical concepts studied. (Prerequisites: MATH106R Statistics I or equivalent; OR written permission of instructor.)

MATH110R Functions & Modeling I

4 CLASS HOURS / 4 CREDITS

This course will focus on the use of functions and algebra in problem solving and modeling. Topics include the study of linear, quadratic, exponential, logarithmic, and trigonometric functions, along with translation of functions, inverse functions, and trigonometric identities. Students can expect to complete projects that involve the use of functions to model real-world behavior (e.g., the dynamics of caffeine in the body) and include topics such as data analysis, systems of linear equations, optimization, and rational functions. The course will be student centered and focus on developing quantitative literacy through activity-based in-

struction that integrates technology (e.g., dynamic statistical packages, calculator-based labs, spreadsheets, on-line virtual manipulatives) and emphasizes the conceptual understanding of the mathematical concepts studied. Multiple assessments tools will be used to measure the course competencies and may include on-going formative assessments, portfolios, quizzes, exams, and projects/investigations. (Prerequisites: (1) SAT Mathematics Score ≥ 530 OR (2) SAT Mathematics Score ≥ 510 with required mathematics workshop (3) Successful completion (with a grade of "C" or better) of Fundamentals of Mathematical Literacy for STEM Fields OR (4) written permission of mathematics advisor.)

MATH112R Mathematical Investigations:

Great Ideas in Mathematics 4 CLASS HOURS / 4 CREDITS

Mathematical Investigations is an introduction to various branches of mathematics, including number theory, functions and modeling, geometry, and probability and statistics. The course will focus on some of the most interesting ideas in the history of mathematics and various applications, including the infinitude of the primes, the non-denumerability of the real numbers, different sizes of infinity, golden rectangles, non-Euclidean geometry, and measuring risk. Students will complete research projects in areas such as cryptography, platonic solids, topology, chaos and fractals, and different voting methods. The course emphasizes mathematical thinking, habits of the mind, and problem solving. These strategies will allow you to apply mathematics to real-life situations. Along the way, you will confront issues that challenge your intuition and even experience mathematical questions that have remained unsolved for hundreds of years. The course is student centered and focuses on activity-based instruction that integrates technology. (Prerequisites: (1) SAT Mathematics Score ≥ 530 OR (2) SAT Mathematics Score ≥ 450 with required mathematics workshop (3) Successful completion (with a grade of "C" or better) of Fundamentals of Mathematical Literacy or Fundamentals of Mathematical Literacy for STEM Fields OR (4) written permission of mathematics advisor.)

MATH114R Mathematics for the Environment

4 CLASS HOURS / 4 CREDITS

Mathematics for the Environment is a course that allows students to apply fundamental concepts in mathematics to the study of topics such as climate, economics, population growth, health care, energy, and media literacy. In order to better understand the mathematics presented in these areas, students will study the language of mathematics including patterns, logic, induction, deduction, axioms, proof, number properties, relations, functions, counting techniques, combinations, and permutations. The course emphasizes quantitative literacy, writing, problem-solving skills, and habits of the mind as students engage in a critical analysis of our environment through the use of mathematics. (Prerequisites: (1) SAT Mathematics Score ≥ 530 OR (2) Successful completion (with a grade of "C" or better) of Fundamentals of Mathematical Literacy or Fundamentals of Mathematical Literacy for STEM Fields OR (3) written permission of mathematics advisor.)

MATH115R Finite Mathematics

4 CLASS HOURS / 4 CREDITS

Topics will include linear models, matrix theory, linear programming, combinations, and math of finance. (Prerequisites: (1) SAT Mathematics Score ≥ 530 OR (2) Successful completion (with a grade of "C" or better) of Fundamentals of Mathematical Literacy for STEM Fields OR (3) written permission of mathematics advisor.)

MATH120R Functions & Modeling II

4 CLASS HOURS / 4 CREDITS

Functions & Modeling II builds from Functions & Modeling I. The course will focus on strengthening proficiency with functions and modeling at both the procedural and conceptual levels to serve as a preparation for calculus. The course begins with a review of linear, quadratic, exponential, logarithmic, and trigonometric functions. Students will study inverse functions, compositions, combinations of functions, polynomial and rational functions, sequences and series, parametric equations, conic sections, and an introduction to limits and continuity. Additional topics may include complex numbers, polar coordinates, and vectors.

Students can expect to complete projects that involve the use of functions to model real-world behavior and include data analysis and fitting functions to data. The course will be student centered and focus on developing quantitative literacy through activity-based instruction that integrates technology (e.g., dynamic statistical packages, computer algebraic systems, on-line virtual manipulatives) and emphasizes the conceptual understanding of the mathematical concepts studied. Multiple assessments tools will be used to measure the course competencies and may include on-going formative assessments, portfolios, quizzes, exams, and projects/investigations. (Prerequisite: MATH110R or Permission of Instructor)

MATH210R Calculus I

4 CLASS HOURS / 4 CREDITS

Calculus I will focus on the study of functions, limits, derivatives and their applications, and provide an introduction to integration, along with the connection between differentiation and integration through the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus (Prerequisite: MATH120R or equivalent or Permission of Instructor)

MATH211R Calculus II

4 CLASS HOURS / 4 CREDITS

Calculus II is the second course in single variable calculus. Major topics include integration techniques and applications, and sequences and series. Additional topics might include arc length, parametric and polar coordinates, and an introduction to differential equations. (Prerequisite: MATH210R or Permission of Instructor)

MATH212R Multivariate Calculus

4 CLASS HOURS / 4 CREDITS

A course in the calculus of functions of more than one variable usually follows a year of calculus involving functions of only one variable. This course will commence with discussions of vectors and vector value functions. Partial differentiation, multiple integration, and vector operators including gradient, divergence, and curl and related integral theorems: Green's theorem, the divergence theorem, and Stokes' theorem will be introduced and applications will be included throughout. (Prerequisites: MATH211R or Permission of Instructor)

MATH215R Linear Algebra

4 CLASS HOURS / 4 CREDITS

This course contains both the theory and computational skills needed to study vector spaces, linear transformations, diagonalization, eigenvalues and orthogonality. Students are expected to develop the ability to reason through and coherently write up proofs of theorems as well as develop computational skills. (Prerequisite: MATH211R or Permission of Instructor)

MATH216R Math Language, Logic and Proof

4 CLASS HOURS / 4 CREDITS

Students will become familiar with the language of mathematics and learn how to use it in writing mathematical proofs. Various methods of proof will be presented, and students will be expected to demonstrate a level of proficiency in their utilization. Fundamental concepts in the areas of set theory, number theory, relations and functions, and logic will be discussed and proved. (Co/prerequisite: MATH211R)

MATH217R Probability and Statistics

4 CLASS HOURS / 4 CREDITS

This course begins with a discussion of the differences between descriptive and inferential statistics, the different types of data, and the rudiments of statistical distributions. Classical probability theory and probability distributions are discussed in general. Specific probability distributions appropriate to discrete data and continuous data are developed in detail. Estimation, hypothesis testing, and applications provide "real life" examples. Linear relationships, and regression analysis provide another means to make predictions and show correlations. (Prerequisite: MATH210R, MATH211R)

MATH221R Ordinary Differential Equations with Linear Algebra

4 CLASS HOURS / 4 CREDITS

Ordinary Differential Equations with Linear Algebra is an introductory course in differential equations. Topics include first-order differential equations; higher-order differential equations; series solutions; The Laplace Transform; matrix algebra, Gaussian and Gauss-Jordan elimination, eigenvalues

and eigenvectors; systems of linear first-order differential equations; and selected applications. Student centered, the course focuses on activity-based instruction that integrates technology and emphasizes the conceptual understanding of the concepts studied. (Prerequisite: MATH211R)

SCIENCE

BIOL101R Biology: Chemical and Cellular

Basis of Life 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

This course covers the study of the cell and the molecular biology of life and will give an overview of what living organisms are made of and how they are characterized. It will focus on the principles of cell biology, cellular physiology, cellular metabolism, molecular biology, biochemistry and genetics. The course is taught at a level commensurate with the text. Laboratory exercises are sequenced, outcome-driven, and require cognitive, psychomotor, and application of technical laboratory skills are designed to reinforce theoretical concepts presented in the lecture portion of the course. (Prerequisites: Reading score of 70 on Accuplacer **or** Permission of Department Designee **or** Minimum of previous Associate's degree)

BIOL102R Biology: Adaptation, Evolution and Ecosystems

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

This course will involve the study the evolution of living organisms in all kingdoms of life at the organismal level, including study of their form and function, adaptation and evolution, behavior, and interactions with one another and with the physical environment. Labs will complement the lecture. (Prerequisites: Reading score of 70 on Accuplacer **or** Permission of Department Designee **or** Minimum of previous Associate's degree)

BIOL103R Human Biology

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

This course is an overview of the structure and function of the human body including how the skeletal, muscular, nervous, cardiovascular, respiratory, immune, digestive, urinary and reproductive systems interact to sustain life of the human organism. Unifying conceptual threads are science as a process, levels of organization, homeostasis and feedback systems and the relationship of anatomical structures to basic physiological function.

The laboratory component of this course will provide students an opportunity to have hands on experiences that will complement the theoretical content of the course. Laboratory exercises are highly sequenced, outcome-driven, and require cognitive, psychomotor and application of technical laboratory skills. (Prerequisites: Reading score of 70 on Accuplacer **or** C or better in Reading Strategier **or** Permission of Department Designee **or** Minimum of previous Associate's degree)

PHYS105R Investigations in Natural Science

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

Investigations in Natural Science is an introductory college level course designed for non-science majors. The course uses a constructive approach to inquiry-based exploration of physical, chemical and biological principles that underlie our daily observations and experiences. Concepts of motion, force, gravity, energy and work and chemical reactions will be introduced as physical science topics. Life science topics will include macromolecules, structure & function of cells and organization and patterns of life. Selected topics in other fields of science may be included as time permits. Laboratory experiences will provide an opportunity for students to integrate learning of theoretical concepts. Lab activities will focus on developing and using models, planning and conducting investigations, analyzing and interpreting data, using mathematical and computational thinking, and constructing explanations to demonstrate understanding of scientific principles and practices.

PHYS115R Astronomy 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

This course is an introductory Astronomy course offered in an experiential mode. The course will consider theories of the origin of the universe, our galaxy, as well as the structure and mechanics of our solar system. Stars, including our sun, nebula and galaxies will be

investigated. Comets and asteroids will be included. Navigation on the celestial sphere as well as basic spectroscopic skills will be explored. Naked eye observations, binocular use as well as some telescope work will be integrated into this experience.

BIOL116R Field Botany 2 CLASS HOURS / 6 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

In this field study course students will explore, patterns of plant life in the Connecticut River eco-system. Students will learn plant taxonomy, collect and identify vascular plants naturally occurring in the local river valley basin. Lecture emphasis will be on the flowering plants, form and function, growth and development as well as relationship to the local economy and conservation principles. This course will require a short-term field-based research project, paper and/or presentation on-campus following the study. Field study labs in this course will take advantage of the major ecosystems of the Connecticut River Valley region. Laboratory learning opportunities will be on and off campus in woodland, riverbank, bog and field locations. Students will be expected to travel to offsite locations and come prepared to work in a variety of dry and wet conditions.

BIOL117R Environmental Science

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

This course introduces students to the study of major environmental problems and issues facing society today. Topics include the scientific method; ecosystem structure and function; population trends and dynamics; the pollution and management of air, land, water and energy resources; and the interrelationship of science and public policy. The laboratory section will be utilized for experiments, field trips, guest lectures, demonstrations and discussions. (Prerequisites: Reading score of 70 on Accuplacer, or C or better in Reading Strategies, **or** Permission of Department Designee **or** Minimum of previous Associate degree)

PHYS130R Physics I 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

A study of elementary classical physics with emphasis on the application of physical principles to problem solving. Topics include linear and projectile motion, Newton's laws translational and rotational equilibrium, work and energy, momentum, circular and rotational motion, and mechanical properties of matter. (Prerequisite: MATH110R)

PHYS131R Physics II 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

A continuation of the study of elementary classical physics with emphasis on the application of physical principles to problem solving. Topics include simple harmonic motion, waves, thermodynamics, electricity and magnetism and geometrical optics. If time permits, some modern physics topics may be discussed. (Prerequisite: SC1130R)

***CHEM030R Introduction to Chemical Principles**

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 CREDITS

This course is a conceptual introduction to the basic principles related to the structure of matter and the nature of chemical reactions. Particular attention will be given to the types of reactions that apply to the health field. Since this course is high school level chemistry course, credits earned will not count towards graduation requirements.

CHEM140R Chemistry I 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

This is the first course of a two-course sequence. This course presents the basic principles, laws and theories of chemistry. Atomic structure, bonding, chemical nomenclature, and chemical reactions are investigated. The behavior of solutions, basic acid-base theory, stoichiometry and the behavior of gases are explored. Problem solving is intensive, requiring the use of algebra. (Prerequisite: SAT Math Score of 570 or higher **or** Corequisite: MATH110R or higher **or** Successful completion of challenge exam **and** Permission of Instructor/Department Chair)

CHEM141R Chemistry II 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

Acids and bases are revisited with attention to Bronsted-Lowry and Lewis acid-base theory. The course presents principles of molecular, geometric and bonding theory along with intermolecular forces in gases,

liquids and solids. Properties of solutions, chemistry kinetics, the concept of chemical equilibrium, chemical thermodynamics and electrochemistry are investigated. (Prerequisite: CHEM140R)

BIOL162R Nutrition: The Science of Sustenance

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

This course is designed to teach the scientific principles behind the biological importance of nutrition to health and well being. It will establish a common understanding of nutrition basics and an appreciation of the importance for maintaining proper nutritional balance to maintain a healthy state. The course will focus on the study of basic biochemistry of food with an emphasis on nutrient functions to maintain normal physiological homeostasis. The laboratory component consists of face-to-face exercises that focus on digestion, macromolecular chemistry, and nutritional analysis of foods. The lab component will focus on student directed, hypothesis driven, scientific inquiry which will foster scientific literacy and an appreciation of the scientific process. Laboratory exercises are highly-sequenced, outcome-driven, and require cognitive, psychomotor, and application of technical laboratory skills. (Prerequisites: Reading score of 70 on Accuplacer **or** Permission of Department Designee **or** Minimum of previous Associate's degree)

BIOL201R Anatomy and Physiology I

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

This course is a comprehensive study of the structure and function of the human body. It includes elementary cytophysiology, histology, and anatomy and physiology of the integumentary system, skeletal system, muscular system, and nervous system. The course is taught at a level commensurate with the Human Anatomy and Physiology Society (HAPS) national outcomes. Laboratory work parallels lecture topics and includes microscopy, study of human anatomical models, dissection of appropriate laboratory specimens, and physiologic experimentation. Laboratory exercises are highly-sequenced, outcome-driven, and require cognitive, psychomotor, and application of technical laboratory skills. (Prerequisites: Successful completion of high school Chemistry (per high school grading criteria) **or** CHEM030R Introduction to Chemical Principles or previous college level chemistry course (completed with "C" or higher) and Accuplacer Reading score of 70 or higher **or** Permission of Department Designee **or** Minimum of previous Associate degree)

BIOL202R Anatomy and Physiology II

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

This course is a continuation of Anatomy and Physiology I. Includes anatomy and physiology of the endocrine system, circulatory system, immune system, lymphatic system, respiratory system, digestive system, renal system, and reproductive system. Other topics covered include nutrition; metabolism; acid/base, fluid and electrolyte balance. The course is taught at a level commensurate with the Human Anatomy and Physiology Society (HAPS) national outcomes. Laboratory work parallels lecture topics and includes microscopy, study of human anatomical models, dissection of appropriate laboratory specimens, and physiologic experimentation. Laboratory exercises are highly-sequenced, outcome-driven, and require cognitive, psychomotor, and application of technical laboratory skills. (Prerequisites: BIOL201R or Permission of Liberal Arts Department Designee)

BIOL205R Microbiology 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

This is a comprehensive study of the basic principles of microbiology. Emphasis is placed on understanding the variety and differences of microbes and their relationship to humans. A survey of the morphology, physiology, genetics and classification of bacteria, viruses and other organisms and their relationship to sanitation and infectious diseases are emphasized. Laboratory work parallels lecture topics and includes microscopy, study of various microorganisms, biochemical analysis and biological experimentation. Laboratory exercises are highly-sequenced, outcome-driven, and require cognitive, psychomotor, and application of technical laboratory skills. (Prerequisites: BIOL101R or BIOL201R or matriculation in the MLT program or Permission of Liberal Arts Department Designee)

BIOL210R Genetics 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

A second-level laboratory science, this course will introduce students to the theory and advanced lab techniques used in the study of genetics. Topics covered will include Mendelian genetics, patterns of inheritance, nucleic acids, cell cycle, the molecular nature and regulation of genes, recombinant DNA technology, and genomics. Labs will complement the lectures and incorporate hands-on applications of the scientific method. (Prerequisites: Any of the following: BIOL101R, BIOL102R, BIOL103R, BIOL201R, BIOL202R, BIOL205R or permission of instructor.)

BIOL212R Topics in Biology

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This is a non-laboratory science course applicable to Liberal Arts or Open Elective credits. This course will provide an in-depth seminar based format to investigate current topics in the broader field of biology. Students will be expected to effectively read, comprehend, and articulate contemporary issues in biology and environmental sciences. The specific content of this course will vary from seminar to seminar, covering in-depth discussions and presentations that relate to biology, global health and disease, and/or ecology. The students will be expected to critique the media and challenge assumptions, by developing skills in researching the science behind the topics. Students will discover the political, ethical, social and legal issues that accompany these topics, and how they impact society, locally regional and globally, now and in the future. (Prerequisites: Successful completion of 1 previous laboratory science course or Permission of Instructor)

BIOL220R Biology Capstone: Introduction to Biological Research

2 CLASS HOURS / 6 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

This is a course which provides students with an opportunity to synthesize previous learning by engaging in independent, student-directed, hypothesis-driven biological research. In the design and execution of experiments, students will demonstrate scientific literacy, scientific process, laboratory skills and techniques, critical thinking, quantitative and qualitative reasoning, written and oral communication skills, and an appreciation of the role that research investigations play in daily life. Classroom-based research provides a framework to foster a culture of undergraduate research at RVCC. (Prerequisites: any 2 of the following lab courses: BIOL101R, BIOL102R, BIOL201R, BIOL202R, BIOL205R, BIOL210R, BIOL162R or permission of Instructor)

PHYS231R University Physics I

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

Lecture and laboratory experiences will provide a study of classical physics using calculus. Topics include linear and projectile motion, Newton's laws, translational and rotational equilibrium, work and energy, momentum, rotational motion, mechanical properties of matter and oscillations. (Prerequisite: MATH210R)

PHYS232R University Physics II

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

Lecture and laboratory in University Physics II continue the introduction to classical physics started in University Physics I. Topics include thermodynamics, electricity and magnetism, optics and selected topics from electromagnetic waves and modern physics when time permits. (Prerequisite: PHYS231R)

SOCIAL SCIENCES

ECON102R Macroeconomics

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

A macroeconomic analysis of the basic characteristics of a modern market-directed economy challenged by global development. Topics discussed include supply and demand; national income; the business cycle; inflation and unemployment; fiscal, supply-sided and monetary policy; and the Federal Reserve System.

GEOG101R Introduction to Geography

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Geography is a discipline that examines a broad range of topics but is unified by a number of themes and methods of inquiry. A systematic

introduction to the discipline, designed to give the beginning student exposure to physical, cultural, economic, and cartographic aspects of Geography.

HIST134R Topics in African History 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course is an interdisciplinary approach to the study of the African continent and its peoples. Materials and methods from anthropology, archaeology, geography, linguistics, musicology, art history, political science and other disciplines will contribute to our study of the African past. The traditional, documentary methods of the historian will be complemented by extensive use of oral tradition. The course begins with the origins of man in eastern Africa more than 6 million years ago and in roughly chronological order particularly considers developments over the last two thousand years. We will pay special attention to those elements of African cultures which have made their way across the Atlantic Ocean. The interests of Europeans in Africa from Roman times to the present will be of concern but the course will examine Africa from an African perspective.

POLS102R Survey of American Government

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course is an introduction to the basic structures of the political process in the United States; it combines attention to political activity at the national (Federal), State and local levels. Topics covered include analysis of Federal and State constitutions, the American political economy, Federal/State relationships, the workings of and interactions between the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Branches of government, the elective process, activities of public and private interest groups, and how the government handles the country's tax dollars.

PSYC101R Introduction to Psychology 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Introduction to Psychology is an introductory college course in psychology which focuses on the fundamental facts and principles of psychology within the broader context of contemporary personal and social concerns. Topics may include the historical development of the discipline, scientific methodology, human development, motivational theory, consciousness, sensation and perception, learning, thinking, memory, emotions, biological basis of behavior, personality theory, psychopathology, sexuality, and measurements and statistics.

PSYC114R Human Development 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

The course in normal human development shall take a look at developmental life sequences of humans from an historical and contemporary view of theories of development and learning. Emphasis will be on the interaction and adaptation in the process of human maturation in growth, movement, perception, cognition, communication, social interaction, and activities of daily living.

PSYC200R Educational Psychology 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Educational Psychology is designed to cover five broad topics: development, learning, lesson and classroom management, assessment and characteristics of learners. The development component focuses on developmental theories of cognition and affect as they relate to education. The learning component presents behavioral and cognitive perspectives on learning, problem solving, critical-thinking and reasoning. The classroom management component focuses on the evaluation of learner characteristics to include those with exceptionalities and ethnically diverse learners. Topics may include the definition of a reflective teacher; cognitive, personal, gender, social, and moral development; individual and group differences; behavioral and cognitive approaches to learning and thinking; motivation and instruction; and assessment. This course provides basic knowledge from the discipline of psychology as related to the field of education and application of this basic knowledge to improve the quality and outcome of the educational process. (Prerequisite: PSYC101R)

PSYC210R Abnormal Psychology 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course explores the diagnosis, treatment and care of the symptoms associated with abnormal behavior. The theoretical causes of various

types of psychological disorder – particularly the neurotic, psychotic, and mood disorders will be presented as will a historical perspective regarding treatment. The history surrounding the treatment of mental illness will be discussed. The psychodynamic, cognitive behavioral and medical model approaches to treatment will be emphasized (Prerequisite: PSYC101R)

PSYC211R Social Psychology 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course surveys the major areas of social psychology - the science of individual human behavior in social situations. The course emphasizes an understanding of the important methods, terms, theories, and findings in the field of social psychology. By understanding social psychology we can become more aware of others and ourselves. It is required that you have passed an Introductory Psychology course before taking this class. The course employs primarily a lecture format, although your comments, questions, and discussion are strongly encouraged. (Prerequisite: PSYC101R)

PSYC212R Forensic Psychology 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course examines the interface of psychology and the law with a specific focus on forensic psychology. Contemporary issues including child victims and witnesses, competence, insanity, risk assessment, violent juvenile offenders, psychopathy, and the death penalty as well as the roles and responsibilities of a forensic psychologist and forensic psychiatrist, juries, expert testimony, assessment and treatment within the legal system are addressed. (Prerequisite: PSYC101R, or CRMJ205R, or permission of Department Chair)

PSYC214R Counseling Theories and Techniques 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Counseling Theories and Techniques is a course designed to provide students with a foundation in the theoretical concepts of the major theories of counseling and interviewing skills. Students will examine the theories and research as it applies to counseling and psychotherapy. Specific emphasis will be given to interviewing techniques and preliminary counseling skills necessary for effective interaction with clients. Topics also include basic assessment, ethics, diversity, and self-awareness.

SOSC101R Introduction to Sociology 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

The course provides an introductory study of sociology using the principles and methods of social sciences and the scientific method. Sociological principles, sociological perspectives, and the relationship of the individual to society groups will be emphasized. Culture and the elements influencing society today are major themes of the course. Other topics that will be examined include socialization, social structure, stratification, race, class, family, education, population, economics, religion, gender, age, and social change. Sociological research and the role of sociologists in the modern world are discussed. Students learn to think critically about the nature of society and social institutions.

SOSC110R Cultural Anthropology 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

An exploration of Homo sapiens' origins and the development of cultural differences and similarities. An examination of what the similarities and differences mean and why they are valuable.

SOSC201R Contemporary Social Problems 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Contemporary Social Problems and Issues will be studied, including such topics as deviance and crime, sex and gender, culture, poverty, aging, the family, population (rural and urban issues), the media, education and the economy, health and medicine. Sociological principles, sociological perspectives, and the relationship of the individual to society and groups will be emphasized. Students learn to think critically about the nature of society and social institutions. (Prerequisite: Any 100 level Social Science)

WORLD LANGUAGE

LANG105R Spanish I 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

An introductory course for the first year language study that takes a communicative, functional approach to teaching and learning Spanish at

the college level. The course includes grammar, conversation, culture, and readings. At the end of the course the student will be able to speak and write basic Spanish.

LANG106R Spanish II 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Spanish II initially reviews, then builds on the simple sentence structures and vocabulary learned in Spanish I. Students will understand and converse in day-to-day Spanish and know basic aspects of various Hispanic cultures. Students will also read authentic materials and basic literature, and will write letters and short essays. Course activities accommodate all learning styles and are both innovative and relevant to student experiences. Video materials bring Spanish to life for students by illustrating in context the grammar and vocabulary students are learning. (Prerequisite: LANG105R)

LANG120R Sign Language I 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course will assist the student in developing basic conversational skills in American Sign Language (ASL). Included in the course will be a study of basic grammatical structures, non-verbal grammatical signals, sign vocabulary, and conversation regulators. Cultural aspects of the Deaf Community will also be discussed. Emphasis will be placed on using American Sign Language (ASL) in one-to-one or small group conversations.

LANG121R Sign Language II 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course will assist the student in developing the ability to use and understand sign language at the beginning level. Classes will include readiness exercises, skills development, direct interaction activities and sign vocabulary building. (Prerequisite: LANG120R)

GENERAL STUDIES

GSTC102R Program Design Portfolio 3 CREDITS

This course is required for learners who wish to develop a comprehensive portfolio for the design of an individualized General Studies degree. Its purpose is to design a sequence of learning experiences that provide a coherent program of studies based upon identified educational goals and core general education courses. The design process will guide the student in assessment of formal and informal learning pathways as well as lay the foundational framework for their individualized major. Emphasis will be research, self examination, planning, goal setting and documentation. Instruction, formal and informal, individual or group will be tailored to meet the needs of the individual learner.

INDEPENDENT STUDY

Independent study is an opportunity for intensive investigation of a special skill, process, or topic, to be arranged on an individual basis between student and faculty.

MESSAGE THERAPY

MASS101R Basic Massage Theory and Application 2 Class Hours / 3 Lab Hours / 3 Credits

This course introduces the massage therapy student to the history and theory of massage. It includes skill development in the art and science of massage therapy. This course consists of lecture, demonstration, and hands-on treatment. The students will be working on each other under the direct supervision of a certified, licensed massage therapy instructor. The course involves learning the fundamentals of giving a full body massage. Draping techniques are covered thoroughly to ensure client comfort and modesty. Indications and contraindications, the basic physiological effects, hygiene, professional appearance, sanitation procedures and equipment needed are covered.

NOTE: During the first month of the course of study, each student will be required to have had a full body massage by a licensed massage therapist and present documentation by the therapist. The student is responsible for costs associated with this treatment. (Prerequisites/Corequisites: Matriculation in the Massage Program, MASS102R)

MASS102R Human Body I 3 Class Hours / 3 Credits

This course is designed for students studying to become professional Massage Therapists. The content is designed to coincide with the development of manual skills, connecting the study of the human body with the practice of massage therapy, with a focus on the mind/body connection. (Prerequisites/Corequisites: Reading score of 70 on Accuplacer or Permission of Program Director, Matriculation in the Massage Therapy Program, MASS101R)

MASS103R Human Body II 2 Class Hours / 3 Lab Hours / 3 Credits

This course is designed for students studying to become professional Massage Therapists. The content is designed to coincide with the development of manual skills, connecting the study of the human body with the practice of massage therapy, with a focus on the mind/body connection. This course focuses on the muscular system. (Prerequisites/Corequisites: Matriculation in the Massage Therapy Program, satisfactory completion of MASS102R)

MASS104R Human Body III 3 Class Hours / 3 Credits

This course is designed for students studying to become professional Massage Therapists. The content is designed to coincide with the development of manual skills, connecting the study of the human body with the practice of massage therapy, with a focus on the mind/body connection. An overview of the structure and function of the body systems and the effects of the sympathetic nervous response are covered. (Prerequisites/Corequisites: Matriculation in the Massage Therapy Program, satisfactory completion of MASS103R.)

MASS105R Massage Essentials 3 Class Hours / 0 Lab Hours / 3 Credits

Massage Essentials covers important topics such as professional communication, self-care, the therapeutic relationship, confidentiality, evolution of massage, and the effects of massage on the homeostasis. These topics are as important as a Massage Therapist's hands-on skill. (Prerequisites/Corequisites: Minimum ACCUPLACER Sentence Skills score of 78 or successful completion of Introduction to College Composition with a grade of "C" or Permission of Program Director, MASS101R)

MASS107R Intro to Massage Specialties I 2 Class Hours / 3 Lab Hours / 3 Credits

Introduction to Massage Specialties I familiarizes the student with a wide spectrum of massage therapy specialties. The student will study and practice the basics elements of three different common eastern and energy based massage modalities. (Prerequisite/Corequisite: MASS 101R)

MASS108R Introduction to Massage Specialties II 2 Class Hours / 3 Lab Hours / 3 Credits

This course is a continuation of Introduction to Massage Specialties I which familiarizes the student with a wide spectrum of massage therapy specialties. The student will study and practice the basics elements of three different common western style massages. (Prerequisite/Corequisites: MASS 101R, MASS107R)

MASS117R Massage Business Practices I 1 Class Hours / 1 Credit

This course is designed to equip the student with the skills to present themselves professionally in an employment setting. Students will create resumes, cover letters, practice interview skills and attend a Massage Therapy Employer Panel. (Prerequisite/Corequisite: Matriculation in the Massage Therapy Program, MASS193R)

MASS118R Massage Business Practices II 2 Class Hours / 2 Credits

This course is designed to equip the student with the business skills needed to practice professionally, either as an independent massage practitioner or as an employee. The student will develop a business

plan, marketing materials, and other products that have practice 'real world' value. (Prerequisite/Corequisite: Matriculation in the Massage Therapy Program, MASS193R, MASS117R)

MASS121R Intermediate Massage Theory and Application
2 Class Hours / 3 Lab Hours / 3 Credits

This course focuses on health care massage, postural dysfunction and outcome based treatment planning. Assessments, mechanical and reflexive techniques, hydrotherapy and endangerment sites, designing the massage treatment and the body/mind connections will be introduced. Topics to be reviewed are body mechanics movement, history, client expectations, indications and contraindications. (Prerequisites/Corequisites: MASS 101R, MASS102R)

MASS126R Massage Rules and Ethics 1 Class Hours / 1 Credits

This course focuses upon specific ethics of the profession of massage, as exemplified in various codes of ethics of major massage organizations and New Hampshire Rules and laws governing massage therapy and therapists. (Prerequisites/Corequisites: Matriculation in the Massage Therapy Program, MASS193R)

MASS130R Advanced Massage Theory and Application
2 Class Hours / 3 Lab Hours / 3 Credits

This course introduces the massage student to deeper strokes that include but are not limited to trigger point therapy, myofascial release, cross fiber friction, muscle energy technique and positional release technique. (Prerequisites/Corequisites: MASS102R, MASS103R, MASS121R)

MASS140R Massage Capstone
2 Class Hours / 3 Lab Hours / 3 Credits

In this research-based course students will integrate all learning to-date to create a safe and therapeutic outcome-based massage treatment specific for clients with common conditions. Common conditions, their causes, contributing factors, cautions and contraindications will be addressed. (Prerequisites/Corequisites: MASS130R)

MASS193R Massage Clinical Experience 6 Lab Hours / 2 Credits

This course provides 2/3 of the 125 practice hours of massage as required by the State of New Hampshire for licensure. The student will apply new learning to assess the needs of the client in order to develop a massage treatment that meets the unique needs of that client. The faculty advisor will assist students in the learning process and will be on duty during the course. Students will meet with the faculty supervisor as needed throughout the semester for feedback and review. Students are required to show evidence of a liability policy additional to the college liability policy which covers them when they are conducting massages independently (i.e. not directly supervised by a college faculty). (Prerequisites/Corequisites: MASS101R, MASS102R)

MASS195R Massage Practicum 45 Practicum Hours / 1 Credit

This course completes the NH State Requirement of at least 125 hours of practice massage for licensure. The student will be integrating all prior learning to thoroughly assess clients' needs and design a massage treatment that is effective for each client. Forty five hours of massage therapy will be performed with a variety of clients at an approved practicum site and documented as required by NH standards. (Prerequisites/Corequisites: MASS130R, MASS140R)

MEDICAL ASSISTANT PROGRAM

ALHT101R Communications for the Allied Health Professional 3 Class Hours / 3 Credits

This course will develop and refine the punctuation, grammar, business writing, and effective communication skills necessary to create quality business documents and presentations. We will discuss the communication skills necessary to develop and maintain effective internal and external public relations.

ALHT102R Medical Terminology 3 Class Hours / 3 Credits

Students entering the field of medicine as allied health professionals need a foundation in the language of medicine. This lecture course is designed to introduce the student to medical terminology. Analysis and generation of medical terms and use of prefixes, roots and suffixes will be emphasized. Definition, spelling, and pronunciation of medical terms is stressed. Medical terms built from basic word elements related to pathology, diagnosis, and treatment will be used in class and applied to body systems. Case studies are used to illustrate the use of medical terminology in medicine.

ALHT110R Pharmacology 3 Class Hours / 3 Credits

This course is an introduction to the principles of pharmacology, focusing on the knowledge and skills required for safe and effective drug therapy. Emphasis will be placed on the following pharmacologic information: sources of drugs, sources of drug information, drug legislation and standards, classification of drugs, drug action, factors that effect drug action, adverse affects of drugs, administration of drugs, record keeping, abbreviations and symbols, drug calculation and the Medical Assistant's responsibilities in drug therapy. Specific drugs and the procedures for administering drugs will be integrated into Clinical Procedures I and II. (Co/prerequisites: ALHT102R, ALHT121R, ALHT130R)

ALHT121R Medical Office Practice I
2 Class Hours / 3 Lab Hours / 3 Credits

The first of two Medical Office Practice courses, this course will offer students the opportunity to explore, study, and practice numerous administrative responsibilities associated with work in a medical office. The course focuses on career opportunities, professionalism, appointment scheduling, letter composition relevant to the medical office, telephone techniques, records management, banking duties, and the maintenance of a recordkeeping system. The major insurance carriers are reviewed as well as such programs as Worker's Compensation, Medicare, Medicaid, CHAMPUS/CHAMPVA. Accuracy in procedural and diagnostic coding will be stressed as a way to maximize reimbursement. Students will use computerized patient and insurance billing software to produce insurance claims and patient invoices efficiently. (Co/prerequisites: ALHT102R, BUS102R)

ALHT124R Medical Office Practice II
2 Class Hours / 3 Lab Hours / 3 Credits

The second of two Medical Office Practice courses, this course continues to offer students the opportunity to explore, study, and practice numerous administrative responsibilities associated with work in a medical office. The course focuses on career opportunities, professionalism, appointment scheduling, letter composition relevant to the medical office, telephone techniques, records management, banking duties, and the maintenance of a recordkeeping system. The major insurance carriers are reviewed as well as such programs as Worker's Compensation, Medicare, Medicaid, CHAMPUS/CHAMPVA. Accuracy in procedural and diagnostic coding will be stressed as a way to maximize reimbursement. Accuracy in procedural and ICD current diagnostic coding will be stressed as a way to maximize reimbursement. Students will use computerized patient and insurance billing software to produce insurance claims and patient invoices efficiently. (Prerequisite: ALHT121R)

ALHT126R Introduction to Laboratory Procedures
2 Class Hours / 3 Lab Hours / 3 Credits

This introductory course will provide the student with an overview of the world of laboratory functions and procedures. Included in this course will be issues surrounding safety, measurement practices, handling and care of glassware, specimen collection and handling, the health care system and an introduction to point of care testing. The applications of quality control, professionalism, legal and ethical issues associated with the laboratory will be emphasized throughout. (Prerequisites: Matriculation in the MLT Program, or matriculation in the MA Program, and corequisite of: ALHT130R, ALHT135R or Permission of Instructor.)

ALHT127R Introduction to Lab Procedures (Bridge)**1 CLASS HOUR / 2 LAB HOURS / 1 CREDIT**

This course is designed for the student who has already taken a course in phlebotomy or who has worked as a phlebotomist. This course will provide the student with an overview and an introduction to the world of laboratory functions and procedures by supplementing the phlebotomy background with the skills necessary to meet the remaining competencies of AHLT126R, Introduction to Laboratory Procedures. Topics will include laboratory safety, measurement practices, handling and care of glassware, specimen collection and handling, the health care system, an introduction to point of care testing and basic instrumentation. The applications of quality control, professionalism, and legal and ethical issues associated with the laboratory will be emphasized. (Co/Prerequisite: Permission of Program Director **and** Instructor **and** PHBC110 **or** equivalent or relevant experience as shown via CBE or Experiential Learning Portfolio)

ALHT130R Medical Assistant Clinical Procedures I**3 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS**

The first of a two-course sequence designed as an introduction to the essential knowledge and clinical skill required by the medical assistant. Instruction in this course stresses theory, principles and skills related to medical asepsis and infection control; treatment protocols and drug and diet therapies involved in the various systems of the human body, taking medical history; vital signs and anthropometric measurements; patient preparation and assisting in physical examinations; instrumentation, sanitation, disinfection and sterilization of instruments and equipment; assisting with minor surgical procedures; administration of EKGs; preparation, storage, and administration of medication; diagnostic imaging; and review of medical office emergencies including CPR and airway obstruction. (Co/prerequisites: ALHT102R, ALHT110R, BIOL103R or BIOL201R; Matriculation in the Medical Assistant Program)

ALHT135R Medical Assistant Clinical Procedures II**3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This second of a two-course sequence is designed as a co-requisite course for the medical assistant student attending MA Practicum. Skills and competencies learned in Clinical Procedures I will be reinforced in order for the student to gain a higher level of proficiency and confidence in their abilities as medical assistants. Theory content will cover anatomy and physiology, and place emphasis on specific organs and body systems and their associated illnesses and disease entities. In addition, the physiological aspects of working with special populations will be considered. This course stresses the disease processes, diagnostic studies, treatment protocols, and drug and diet therapies involved in the various systems of the human body. (Co/prerequisites: ALHT102R, ALHT110R, ALHT130R, BIOL103R or ALHT121R, ALHT124R; Matriculation in the Medical Assistant Program)

ALHT166R Legal and Ethical Issues in Health Care**3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course provides learners with an introduction to the increasingly complex legal and ethical issues facing professionals who work in health and human services. This broad perspective will help practitioner's respond to many dilemmas they face in the clinical settings and increase their sensitivity to the depth of issues involved in many treatment and service decisions.

Emphasis is also placed on understanding the ethical and legal environment of health care, making appropriate ethical and legal choice in practice, and developing skills necessary to promote ethical and legal leadership in a health care setting. Every effort is made to help students understand the impact of an ethical position on other individuals as well as on the larger community.

ALHT190R Medical Assistant Practicum**3 CREDITS**

The student performs administrative and clinical skills, under the supervision of qualified staff members, in a physician's office and in a clinical laboratory as available. During the affiliation, the student adheres to

the working hours and policies of the assigned agency. The student is not paid for the 160 hour practicum. (Co/Prerequisite: ALHT110R, ALHT126R, ALHT130R, ALHT135R, ALHT124R)

ALHT192R Medical Assistant Senior Seminar**1 CREDIT**

Senior seminar is offered in the final semester of the Medical Assistant Program. This capstone course will provide the students an overview of the complete medical assisting curriculum. Classroom meetings provide the opportunity to explore and discuss their program experiences while integrating the theoretical concepts with their practicum experiences. Emphasis is placed on all facets of medical assisting pertinent to administrative, laboratory, and clinical procedures performed in the medical environment. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate competence in the areas covered on the national certification examination for medical assistant. Activities will include; applying and preparing for the CMA (AAMA) Certification Exam, updating resumes, cover letters, applying for jobs, interviewing techniques and successful employment strategies. (Prerequisite: ALHT190R-enrolled or completion of all other MA programs)

MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNICIAN**MLTC111R Urinalysis****1 CLASS HOUR / 3 LAB HOURS / 2 CREDITS**

This course introduces the study of the physical, chemical and microscopic tests performed as part of a routine urinalysis. A review of the structure and function of the urinary system is followed by the concepts of urine analysis relating to the identification of normal states and metabolic and genetic disorders. Laboratory analysis of body fluids are introduced including cerebral spinal fluid, serous, synovial, and amniotic fluids, as well as fecal and semen analysis. For all areas presented, clinical aspects of related diseases are incorporated into lecture and laboratory sessions. (Pre requisites: ALHT126R or ALHT127R & PHBC 110R)

MLTC112R Immunology**1 CLASS HOUR / 3 LAB HOURS / 2 CREDITS**

An introduction to basic serologic concepts, this course will cover immunity and associated laboratory applications. Discussions will include non-specific and specific immunity, antigen/antibody structure, function, classification and serologic reactions, biological immunologic responses and disease states representing classical immunologic concepts. (Pre requisites: BIOL103R or BIOL 201R and BIOL 202R; ALHT 126R or ALHT127R & PHBC 110R)

MLTC113R Clinical Chemistry**3 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS**

The investigation into the human physiology of enzymes, carbohydrates, lipids, proteins, electrolytes and hormones are an important function in a clinical laboratory in regards to the diagnosis and monitoring of disease states. Clinical Chemistry reviews the function of these chemicals and introduces clinical chemistry tests and instrumentation used for their identification and quantitation. Conditions and disease states associated with abnormal findings of these elements are also discussed in limited detail. Laboratory sessions support information provided in lecture as well as emphasizing the importance of accuracy and precision in testing. (Pre-requisites: ALHT 126R or ALHT 127 and PHBC110, CHEM 140R; Co-requisite: Math Elective (MATH XXXR))

MLTC201R Hematology**3 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS**

Hematology is the study of blood and its components. This course is an overview of blood cell production, identification, function and changes seen in disease states. Included in this course is a hemostasis component that evaluates the human bodies mechanism to control bleeding and the factors involved. Diseases and conditions associated with abnormal blood pictures and coagulation disorders are also presented. This course will also introduce the morphology and significance of cells found in various body fluids as they relate to pathogenic states. Lectures and laboratories incorporate discussions and practices of common hematologic procedures. (Prerequisites: ALHT 126R or ALHT 127R & PHBC 110R, MLTC 112R or Permission of Instructor)

MLTC202R Blood Banking

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

Blood Banking, also known as Immunohematology is an in-depth study of the collection and storage of blood components, identification of blood group antigens and antibodies, hemolytic disease of the newborn, compatibility testing, component therapy, transfusion reaction investigation, quality control and problem solving. Tests used to accomplish the above tasks are discussed in lecture and practiced in laboratory sessions of this course. (Prerequisites: ALHT 126R or AHLT 127R & PHBC 110R; MLTC 112R)

MLTC204R Pathogenic Microbiology

3 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS

A pathogen is an organism or substance capable of producing disease. This course discusses the characteristics of common pathogenic microorganisms with emphasis placed on bacteria. Pathogenic parasites and fungal elements will be introduced. Methods of isolation from clinical specimens, recognition of pathogens, microscopic morphology, antimicrobial susceptibility testing, and standard reporting practices in a clinical laboratory will be presented. Laboratory sessions will support lecture materials as they focus on safety measures in the microbiology laboratory and the importance of high quality technical skills. (Prerequisites: BIOL 205R; ALHT 126R or ALHT 127R & PHBC 110R)

MLTC220R MLT Senior Seminar

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 CREDITS

This capstone seminar will present the students with opportunities to explore and discuss their program experiences while integrating the theoretical concepts with their clinical experiences. This course will include guest speakers from laboratory related fields, development and evaluation of case studies, practice of mock certification examinations, resume preparation, and information on job searches and the employment interview process. This course is geared to transition the student from the educational setting to the workforce. (Pre-Requisite: Completion of all MLTC courses; Co-Requisite: MLTC 290)

MLTC290R MLT Clinical Practicum

12 CREDITS (new course)

This practicum course will provide clinical experience in the laboratory sections of Hematology, Urinalysis, Clinical Chemistry, Blood Banking and Microbiology. This allows students to apply the knowledge and skills obtained in the didactic component of the curriculum to experiences in a clinical laboratory. The clinical environment will also provide the opportunity to practice skills of a phlebotomist while under the supervision of qualified personnel in an accredited clinical laboratory. The student must demonstrate minimum competency in each area as determined by the established objectives to successfully pass this course. Affiliation packets are used in each department to assess acquired laboratory competencies. Clinical practice takes place in an approved facility under the direction and supervision of laboratory educators employed by the facility. RVCC faculty provide support and oversight throughout the practicum as necessary. Students will perform routine analytical procedures, continue to develop their laboratory skills and apply knowledge gained during classroom learning. (Prerequisites: ALHT 126R or ALHT127R & PHBC 110R, and a grade of C or better in all MLTC courses. Corequisite MLTC 220R Senior Seminar)

NURSING ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN NURSING

Current LNA Licensure required for acceptance.

ADNR105R Nursing Seminar I

1 CLASS HOUR / 1 CREDIT

The Nursing Seminar course facilitates students' success in the nursing program and the nursing profession by introducing concepts basic to nursing practice. Learning activities help students develop study skills, test-taking skills, and time management skills. Students learn about the history of the nursing profession and issues facing nurses in today's healthcare. Discussions focus on the different levels of nursing education. The course introduces students to the five-step nursing process as

a framework for critical thinking and problem solving, as well as theories and conceptual frameworks used to support nursing practice. Students examine the New Hampshire Nurse Practice Acts and discuss legal and ethical issues in nursing practice. The course introduces students to the National Council Licensing Exam (NCLEX) for registered nurses test plan in reference to the program of study at River Valley Community College's nursing program. Students talk about using nursing research as evidence for nursing practice. (Admission to ASN Program, ADNR116R)

ADNR116R Nursing Care I

**3 CLASS HOURS, 2 LAB HOURS,
10 CLINICAL HOURS / 7 CREDITS**

This course focuses on fundamental concepts of nursing practice such as nursing process, health and wellness, therapeutic communication, teaching learning, and ethical-legal principles which provide the foundation for safe and effective nursing practice. Theoretical concepts of person, health, nursing, and environment are integrated with intellectual, interpersonal, and psychomotor competencies to form an understanding of the roles of a nurse as provider and manager of care and member of a profession. The roles of the nurse are developed through simulation and clinical practice using QSEN competencies and Benner's model of skill attainment. Culture, spirituality, and alternative therapies prepare for care of a diverse healthcare population. Pharmacological principles and common medications are introduced with a focus on safe medication administration principles. The focus of this course is nursing management of adults with common or chronic health disorders. (Co/Prerequisites: PSYC101R, BIOL201R, ENGL102R, ADNR105R with grade of "C" or better, BLS Certification, liability and medical insurance, active NH Nurse Assistant Licensure)

ADNR117R – Nursing Care II

**4 CLASS HOURS, 2 LAB HOURS,
13 CLINICAL HOURS / 9 CREDITS**

This course expands on concepts of nursing practice introduced in the fundamentals course. Concepts of nursing process, therapeutic communication, and teaching-learning, and ethical-legal principles are integrated with knowledge, skills, and attitudes reflected in QSEN competencies, best practice models, and licensing and accrediting bodies. Concepts related to health and wellness are expanded to include acute health disorders of adults in a medical-surgical setting. Medical, nursing, and pharmacological management of health disorders is acquired through intellectual, interpersonal, and psychomotor competencies at the advanced beginner level in Benner's model of skill acquisition. Critical thinking, decision making, and problem solving skills are developed in simulation and clinical practice. Mental health concepts are introduced across the lifespan and explored in a variety of teaching environments. Pharmacology and safe medication administration correlates to health disorders in this course and is expanded to include intravenous medications. (Co/Prerequisites: ADNR105R and ADNR116R with a grade of "B-" or higher; Math Elective, PSYC114R, BIOL201R and 202R with grade of "C" or higher, BLS Certification, liability and medical insurance, active NH Nurse Assistant Licensure)

ADNR197R Transition Course PN to RN

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 CREDITS

This transition course expands on knowledge and skills learned in a practical nursing education program. Emphasis is on differentiating the scope of the practice for the associate degree nurse, understanding the National Council Licensing Exam for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) test plan, enhancing critical thinking skills, strengthening test-taking and study skills and discussing legal and ethical issues in nursing practice. Students learn about philosophies, basic theories, and conceptual models that guide decision-making in nursing and learn how to use the nursing process to identify patient needs and develop an individualized patient plan of care. The course includes content related to pharmacology and intravenous medication administration, as well as basic concepts in physical mental health. Lecture, role play and case studies provide opportunity to integrate theory with nursing practice (Prerequisites: BIOL201R and 202R, PSYC101R and 114R, Math elective, English composition, Humanities/ Fine Art/Language elective with grade of "C" or higher, BLS Certification, liability and medical insurance, active LPN Licensure)

ADNR215R Nursing Seminar II 1 Class Hour / 1 Credit

The Nursing Seminar II course facilitates students' success in the nursing program and the nursing profession by providing an opportunity to further develop discussions on topics introduced in the first nursing seminar (ADNR105R) course. This second nursing seminar course helps students develop a professional identity by focusing on why the student chose a career in nursing. Students are introduced to concept maps as a tool for organizing their thoughts for writing. The concept map is used as a tool for developing a professional portfolio and designing a plan for entering the nursing workforce. The course provides opportunities for students to explore different healthcare organizational structures and examine issues related to power and empowerment. Students develop a professional resume, write a cover letter, and discuss important aspect of seeking employment. Other topics of discussion include developing a study plan for NCLEX preparation, continuous quality improvement, creating a healthy workplace, work-related stressors, and burnout. Building on knowledge from the Nursing Seminar I course, students prepare and present a case study demonstrating how nursing research supports clinical practice. (Prerequisites: ADNR105R, and ADNR116R, ADNR117R, or ADNR197R with a grade of "B-" or higher; Co-requisite ADNR220R)

ADNR220R Nursing Care III 4 CLASS HOURS, 2 LAB HOURS, 13 CLINICAL HOURS / 9 CREDITS

This course expands on concepts of previous nursing courses with the addition of nursing care to the childbearing family, including parents, infants, and children. Lifespan development and health disorders of infant and pediatric populations are introduced, providing insight into nursing in a specialty area. Nursing care of the adult expands to include complex acute health disorders requiring a higher level of critical thinking and nursing skills. The simulation lab and clinical practice provide opportunities to develop these skills which are based on Benner's model of skill attainment, the Creighton competency evaluation instrument, and deliberate practice for skill proficiency. Concepts of health promotion and prevention, patient education, therapeutic nutrition, and legal-ethical principles are integrated throughout the course. Clinical learning experiences in community health settings as well as acute care facilities provide opportunities to integrate theory with clinical practice as well as introduce students to specialized nursing care. (Prerequisites: English composition, BIOL201R and 202R, PSYC101R and 114R with grade of "C" or higher; Co-requisites: BIOL205R, BLS Certification, liability and medical insurance, active NH Nurse Assistant Licensure)

ADNR225R Nursing Seminar III 1 CLASS HOUR / 1 CREDIT

The Nursing Seminar III course prepares nursing students to enter the workforce by focusing on the essential skills of leadership and management. Learning activities provide opportunities for students to use communication and critical thinking skills to implement change and effectively deal with conflict in the clinical setting. In the third nursing seminar course, students learn about the legal implications of delegating patient care to healthcare personnel and the importance of quality improvement as it relates to the nurse, patient, organization, and healthcare system. Seminar sessions focus on getting people to work together, incivility in a caring profession, and the process of change in the healthcare setting. (Prerequisites: ADNR105R, ADNR215R, and ADNR220R with a grade of "B-" or higher; Co-requisite ADNR230R)

ADNR230R Nursing Care IV 4 CLASS HOURS, 2 LAB HOURS, 16 CLINICAL HOURS / 10 CREDITS

This course is designed to provide students with the opportunity to comprehensively apply and integrate synthesized theoretical and clinical experiences from previous nursing courses. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate the knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary to provide quality, individualized, entry level nursing care. The focus of this course is nursing care of the patient across the lifespan with complex health disorders. Intellectual, interpersonal, and psychomotor competencies are developed through simulation and clinical practice and based on Benner's model of skill attainment, the Creighton competency

evaluation instrument, and the AACN synergy model for patient care. Nursing care is holistic and includes integration of health promotion and prevention, patient education, therapeutic nutrition, and legal-ethical principles with safe and effective, culturally sensitive patient centered care. The role of nurse as a manager of care is a focus of this course with opportunities for delegation, supervision, collaboration, and team communication skills provided in simulation and clinical settings. This course is designed to prepare graduates for entry level nursing practice. (Prerequisites: ADNR220R with grade of "B-" or higher; Co-requisites: ADNR225R, Humanities Elective)

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT

OCTA110R Fundamentals In Occupational Therapy**2 LAB HOURS / 1 CREDIT**

This course is designed to give the student an overview of the Occupational/Physical Therapy programs and professions. The history and development of the professions, scope of practice and roles of the health care personnel are discussed. Also reviewed will be professional competencies, role delineations of the PT, OT, PTA and OTA, review of case studies and practice models, medical abbreviations, safety issues, current issues and trends, and ethical and legal practice. This introductory level course is offered in the first semester of the first year and is designed to improve and enhance an understanding of the field of OT and PT. It is a foundation course for OCTA110 Fundamentals of OT. (Co/Prerequisite: AHLT104R)

OCTA125R Therapeutic Principles**1 CLASS HOUR / 4 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This lab skills course is designed to ground the student in the basic principles and foundations of practice in Occupational Therapy. The course is designed to reinforce concepts in the theory and practice of OT. This course builds upon concepts and the competencies achieved in AHLT135R, OCTA110R and AHLT104R. Principles of motion and kinesiology will be reviewed, as well as the foundation in therapeutic activity, activity analysis, group dynamics, and the introduction to therapeutic use of self. (Co/Prerequisites: AHLT135R, AHLT104R, BIOL201R, OCTA110R)

OCTA190R OTA Level I Fieldwork Experience**4 CREDITS**

This clinical experience is designed to introduce the student to a variety of professional behaviors in the field which include how to collect useful and accurate data from observation and/or available written resources, use of effective communication with written and verbal skills, and appropriate screening and assessment techniques. This course is conducted at the end of the first year after the completion of all of the first-year courses. It is designed to solidify the principles of theory and practice that have been introduced to the students in the first year. This particular. Fieldwork has a focus on psychological and social factors that influence engagement in occupation. The student will be introduced and have a chance to experience and interact in a variety of psychosocial and behavioral situations that are integrated with developmental, physical and emotional deficits. The Level I field work experience allows the student an opportunity to be involved in basic treatment planning including; setting goals, developing intervention strategies and demonstrating proper techniques in ADL and some I-ADL interventions while maintaining effective relationships with client, family and staff and utilizing the occupational therapy practice framework. Upon completion of Level I experience the student will have demonstrated a sense of professional values, ethics, and responsibilities. (Prerequisites: All First Year AHLT and OLTA courses, BIOL201R, BIOL202R, PSYC101R)

OCTA191R OTA Level I Fieldwork Seminar**2 CLASS HOURS / 2 CREDITS**

This course provides a seminar for guided student exchange on trends and issues of Occupational Therapy related to the Level I Fieldwork Experiences. The rationale for this course is to further enhance the student in making the transition from student to professional by discussing topics relevant to our field of practice. This course builds upon

clinical and theoretical foundations through discussion and application activities. The courses in which information is directly drawn upon are OCTA212R, AHLT104R, AHLT135R, OCTA110R, OCTA125R. Additionally, this course will further prepare our students for the national board exam and licensure where applicable. (Co-requisite: OCTA190R)

OCTA212R Developmental Disabilities in Occupational Therapy

1 CLASS HOUR / 3 LAB HOURS / 2 CREDITS

This course includes Occupational Therapy theories and treatments for individuals with a variety of developmental disabilities. Utilizing the standard therapeutic process, the student will apply theory and technique in screening and evaluation, treatment planning, service provision, documentation, and program evaluation. This course builds upon principles of theory and practice presented and applied in AHLT112R, PSYC101R, PSYC114R, OCTA110R, OCTA125R. The various roles and responsibilities of the COTA in the work sites for the person with a developmental disability will be examined. (Co/Prerequisites: PSYC101R, AHLT112R, AHLT114R, OCTA110R, OCTA125R)

OCTA213R Psychosocial Disabilities in Occupational Therapy

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Occupational therapy treatment of common psychosocial behavior problems of the individual is discussed. Client assessment, group process and therapeutic communication are included. The focus and direction of this course builds upon the strong emphasis on psychosocial disabilities. This course is designed to assist the student in developing knowledge of theory, models of practice, etiology and occupational therapy treatment techniques essential to enable the occupational therapy assistant to effectively serve clients in the mental health field. This course builds upon the foundation of OCTA125R Therapeutic Principles and OCTA213R Developmental Disabilities as it further engages students in theory and practice of OT with a multitude of diagnoses through the lifespan (Co/Prerequisite: OCTA190R)

OCTA214R Physical Disabilities in Occupational Therapy

1 CLASS HOUR / 3 LAB HOURS / 2 CREDITS

This practice oriented course provides the student with basic skills in assessment, treatment planning, treatment techniques and documentation as related to physical dysfunction. Included are biomechanical, neuro-developmental and sensory integrative treatment techniques, splinting, casting and the use of adaptive devices. Occupational therapy is based on the belief that occupation/purposeful activity may be used to prevent and mediate dysfunction. The occupational therapy assistant, to contribute to this prevention and mediation in physical disabilities, must understand the occupational therapy process and display competency in assessment, problem identification, treatment planning and implementation. This course incorporates theory and practice concepts from OCTA110, 125, and 212. Through the dovetailing of courses offered in the first and second semesters of the curriculum, the OTA student can further expand their knowledge effective OT Practice with individuals with physical disabilities. This course is offered in the first semester of the senior year. Level I FW OCTA190 also contributes to the foundation of this course as students apply assessment skills, physical, emotional, psychosocial and cognitive intervention techniques in simulation and classroom practice (Co/Prerequisite: OCTA190R)

OCTA220R Seminar In Occupational Therapy

1 CLASS HOUR / 1 CREDIT

This course provides a seminar for guided student exchange on trends and issues of Occupational Therapy related to the Level II Fieldwork Experiences. The rationale for this course is to further enhance the student in making the transition from student to professional by discussing topics relevant to our field of practice and to further prepare our students for the national board exam and licensure where applicable. This culmination course includes topics from OCTA125, 212, 214, 213, 290 and 291. This course is designed to assist students in examining the overarching integration of theory and practice of OT including integration of didactic training.. (Co/Prerequisite: OCTA290R, OCTA291R)

OCTA290R OTA Level IIA Fieldwork Experience

6 CREDITS

Psychosocial service agencies, hospitals, rehabilitation centers, nursing homes, community health care agencies, school systems and other human service facilities provide affiliating experiences for students enrolled in the Occupational Therapy Assistant program. This practicum will enable the student to successfully integrate classroom learned material into the clinical area of practice. It is designed to assist the student in successfully developing the role of a therapist among clients as well as colleagues. It incorporates all OCTA first and second year courses as well as AHLC courses into practice. This is a course that is conducted in the field as a practicum. (Prerequisite: All required AHLT and OCTA courses)

OCTA291R OTA Level IIB Fieldwork Experience

6 CREDITS

Psychosocial service agencies, hospitals, rehabilitation centers, nursing homes, community health care agencies, school systems and other human service facilities provide affiliating experiences for students enrolled in the Occupational Therapy Assistant program. This practicum will enable the student to successfully integrate classroom learned material into the clinical area of practice. It is designed to assist the student in successfully developing the role of a therapist among clients as well as colleagues. As it incorporates all aspects of didactic training from OCTA and AHLT courses, it is an advanced practice course follow Level IIA OCTA290R. It is expected that by the end of this fieldwork (practicum) experience that all students are executing themselves at entry level practice and prepared to sit for the national examination. (Prerequisite: All required AHLT and OCTA courses)

PHLEBOTOMY

PHBC110R Phlebotomy

2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course is designed to provide the student with theoretical and introductory technical skills of a phlebotomist. This course covers topics of anatomy and physiology of the circulatory system, medical terminology, structures of the health care system and laboratory, safety, types of laboratory analyses, equipment, sources of error and medico-legal issues surrounding the practice of phlebotomy. Specimen collection techniques focusing on safe and accurate skill development will be emphasized. (Prerequisite: Matriculation in Phlebotomy Program or Permission of Instructor)

PHBC190R Phlebotomy Internship

3 CREDITS (3 weeks, full time)

After completion of Phlebotomy (PHBC 110R) the student will spend no fewer than 100 hours and no greater than 120 hours in a clinical environment becoming proficient with the responsibilities and skills of a phlebotomist while under the supervision of qualified personnel in an accredited clinical laboratory. (Prerequisite: PHBC110R and matriculation in the Phlebotomy Program)

PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT

PTAC112R Physical Therapy Procedures I

2 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course involves both lecture and laboratory teaching in the area of physical agents used in Physical Therapy. These agents include heat, cold, light, sound waves, electricity and traction. Documentation and preparation of self, the patient, equipment and space will also be emphasized. (Prerequisite: Matriculation into PTA program or Permission of Instructor.)

PTAC115R Therapeutic Exercise

2 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS

Students will focus on therapeutic exercise rationale, indications, contraindications. Specific equipment, techniques and procedures of therapeutic exercise will be introduced. Students will have opportunity in lab sessions to practice these exercise techniques. (Co/Prerequisite: AHLT123R)

PTAC122R Physical Therapy Procedures II**2 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course continues the series aimed at providing the Physical Therapist Assistant student with basic skills in procedures commonly used in Physical Therapy. This course integrates both lecture and laboratory learning in the areas of data collection (goniometry, manual muscle testing, length, girth, volume and body composition) therapeutic massage, gait training and treatment following reconstructive surgery of the extremities. This course will also cover theory and basic techniques for peripheral joint mobilization, and an introduction to patient education and community service. There will continue an emphasis on professionalism in behavior, appearance and rapport. (Prerequisites: PTAC112R, AHLT123R)

PTAC190R PTA Clinical Education Practicum I**6 CREDITS**

Clinical education provides students with the opportunity to perform their responsibilities under appropriate physical therapist or physical therapist assistant supervision and with positive role modeling. The experience provides exposure to a variety of patients and learning activities. The clinical education is an organized sequence of learning activities integrated within the curriculum. It includes full time assignments, and follows the completion of relevant didactic instruction. Clinical education is provided in a variety of practice and health care settings and ensures participation in direct patient care. (Co/Prerequisite: All PTAC and AHLT courses from first year schedule) (304 hrs in 8 wks – usually 40 hr/wk x 8 wks minus 2 days for seminar course)

PTAC192R PTA Clinical Education Practicum I Seminar**1 CLASS HOUR / 1 CREDIT**

This seminar course provides students with an opportunity for reflective learning that focuses on their current clinical education experience. Students will return to campus for two days during their clinical assignments. (Prerequisite: PTAC190R) (2 full days – 16 hrs total)

PTAC201R Introduction to Personal Training and Fitness**2 CLASSES HOUR / 1 CREDIT**

This occasionally-offered course is designed to introduce the student to the fitness industry and the profession of personal training. Topics of discussion will include current trends and the personal trainer's role, employment opportunities and personal trainer certification options. The foundational knowledge and skills needed for an entry level personal training certificate will also be covered which includes health screening, physical fitness and body composition assessments and fitness program design. Course competencies will be based on current research and industry standards. (Prerequisite: PTA Program matriculation, A&P I, Kinesiology, Therapeutic Exercise, or permission from instructor.)

PTAC211R Physical Therapy Procedures III**2 CLASS HOURS / 3 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course completes the series aimed at providing the Physical Therapist Assistant student with basic skills in procedures commonly used in Physical Therapy. This course integrates both lecture and laboratory learning, and off site clinical practice in the areas of advanced therapeutic interventions: facilitation techniques and motor control, orthotics, prosthetics, cardiac rehabilitation, chest physical therapy, wound care, psychological issues and management of patients using teaching strategies and cultural sensitivity. (Co/Prerequisite: PTAC122R)

PTAC250R PTA Clinical Education Senior Seminar**32 CLASS HOURS / 4 CREDITS**

This course provides an opportunity to wrap up loose ends regarding licensure, preparation for the licensing exam, the State Practice Act, legal/ethical issues, and topics current to profession. It provides opportunity for students to further the transition to professional attitudes, behaviors and awareness. (Prerequisites: PTAC292R) (2 full day a week for the last 4 weeks of spring semester)

PTAC292R PTA Clinical Education Practicum II**8 CREDITS**

Clinical education provides students with the opportunity to perform their responsibilities under appropriate physical therapist or physical therapist assistant supervision and with positive role modeling. The experience provides exposure to a variety of patients and learning activities. The clinical education is an organized sequence of learning activities integrated within the curriculum. It includes full time assignments, and follows the completion of relevant didactic instruction. (Prerequisite: All PTAC and AHLT courses except PTAC250R) (400 hrs over 8 wks, usually 8 hrs day x 10 wks)

RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY**RADT101R Introduction to Radiologic Technology & Clinical Simulated Lab Practicum****1 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 2 CREDITS**

This is an introductory course which presents Radiologic Technology as a science and other aspects related to this profession. During the first half of the semester the focus will be on introductory concepts in Radiologic Technology. The second half of the semester will focus on engaging in simulated activities. Students will gain an understanding of the practical applications of patient care, exposure factors, protection and mandatory requirements for clinical practicums. (Prerequisite: Matriculation in the RVCC Radiologic Technology Program)

RADT110R Patient Care & Medical Terminology**1 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 2 CREDITS**

This course introduces the Radiologic Technology student to their responsibilities when working with patients. This course will discuss patient education, safety and comfort. An emphasis will be made on how to react to medical emergencies within the department and the legal responsibilities of the radiologic professional. The course will address infection control, handling of hazardous materials, isolation precautions, and patient monitoring. The student will learn about human diversity, ethnic and cultural values and how to integrate these concepts into professional practice. Medical terminology related to imaging sciences will be discussed, developing a basic understanding of the medical language employed in the health care professions and Imaging department. (Corequisites: RADT101R, RADT115R)

RADT115R Radiographic Positioning &**Procedures I 2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course is a study of the radiographic procedures as they relate to the skeletal system. Topics include positioning, exposure factors, film evaluation and related anatomy of chest, abdomen, superior and inferior extremities, and shoulder and pelvic girdle. There are positioning practical workshop components. (Corequisites: SCI201R, RADT110R, RADT132R)

RADT120R Radiation Physics & Imaging Equipment**2 CLASS HOURS / 2 CREDITS**

This course explores and defines the fundamental principles of physics and electronics involved in the production, use and control of the various electromagnetic energies used in medical and diagnostic applications. Topics include electromagnetic waves, electricity and magnetism, electrical energy, power and circuits as they relate to radiography. It will discuss the components of radiographic equipment and how its work in the production of x rays. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate an understanding of basic principles of physics as they relate to the operation of radiographic equipment. (Prerequisites: MATH110R, RADT101R, RADT132R)

RADT121R Radiologic Technology Clinical Practicum I**4 CREDITS (180)**

This course is competency-based clinical experience that develops the cognitive, affective, and psychomotor skill level of students will assist and perform basic radiographic procedures. During the clinical rotation, students will assist and perform basic radiographic procedures of the

chest, abdomen, upper and lower extremities. Must complete 180 clinical hours and pass co-requisite/pre-requisite courses. (Prerequisites: RADT101, RADT110R, RADT115R, RADT132R)

RADT122R Radiologic Technology Clinical Practicum II **4 CREDITS (180)**

A competency-based clinical experience that intensifies the cognitive, affective and psychomotor skill level of students in the realization of special radiographic procedures. Students will assist the radiologist in fluoroscopic exam procedures. This clinical experience provides learning opportunities in radiographic critique and quality assurance. The student will acquire proficiency in the realization of radiographic position and procedures of body trunk, spine, and fluoroscopic procedures, preparation of contrast media and patient care. Mastery of knowledge from previous clinical practicum with a focus on outcomes assessment. This is an 8 weeks assignment. Students must complete 180 clinical hours and pass successfully the pre-requisites courses to continue into the next level. (Prerequisites: RADT121R, RADT215R)

RADT132R Principles of Radiographic Exposure, Image Acquisition & Processing **3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course comprises the study of all concepts associated with the nature, production and exposure of x-rays, image acquisition and processing. It will present CR/DR image acquisition. DICOM standards will be discussed. PACS system of storage and transfer will be presented. Manipulation of various exposure factors and choices of equipment uses will be explored. The student will develop knowledge and skills necessary to recognize and evaluate quantitative and qualitative factors in clinical radiographs. (Corequisites: MATH110R; RADT101R)

RADT214R Radiologic Pathology & Imaging Critique **2 CLASS HOURS / 2 CREDITS**

This course is a study of the most common conditions and lesions affecting the human being and its relation to the changes observed in the radiographic image. Evaluation and analysis of radiographs pertaining to the anatomical region are studied. Evaluation of the quality on the radiographic image is also studied. (Prerequisites: SCI201R, SCI202R, RADT115R, RADT215R, RADT218R)

RADT215R Radiographic Positioning/ Procedures II and Contrast Media **2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course is a study of the body trunk, vertebral spine, and radiographic special procedures including fluoroscopy and the use of contrast media. It includes discussion of correct factors exposure, positioning skills, medical indication and contra-indications for special studies pertaining to the anatomical region of study. Positioning practical workshops will be included. Students should pass successfully the pre-requisites courses to continue into the next level. (Prerequisites: RADT115R, RADT110R; Corequisite: RADT121R)

RADT218R Radiographic Positioning & Procedures III **1 CLASS HOUR / 2 LAB HOURS / 2 CREDITS**

This course entails the study of the radiographic procedures related to cranial structures, facial bones and neck. It includes, discussion of exposure techniques, positioning skills, medical indications for special and optional projections; that may be performed on traumatized patients and special studies pertaining to this anatomical region. (Prerequisites: RADT115R, RADT215R)

RADT223R Radiologic Technology Clinical Practicum III **5 CREDITS (225)**

This course is a competency-based clinical experience that intensifies the cognitive, affective and psychomotor skill level of students performing radiographic procedures of the skull. This clinical experience provides learning opportunities in mobile, trauma and surgical radiographic procedures. Mastery of knowledge from previous clinical practicum with

a focus on outcomes assessment will occur. Must complete 225 clinical hours and pass successfully the pre-requisites courses to continue into the next level. (Prerequisites: RADT115R, RADT121R, RADT122R, RADT215R, RADT218R)

RADT224R Radiologic Technology Clinical Practicum IV **5 CREDITS (225)**

Students participate and develop skills in radiographic critique and quality assurance. The students acquire proficiency in the application of all radiographic procedures under indirect supervision. Students are exposed to new imaging modalities. Mastery of knowledge from previous clinical practicum with a focus on outcomes assessment will occur. Must complete 225 clinical hours and pass successfully the pre-requisites courses to complete the program requirements. (Prerequisites: RADT223R)

RADT228R Radiation Biology & Protection **2 CLASS HOURS / 2 CREDITS**

This course introduces the student to the possible negative effects of diagnostic medical radiation on the human body. Specifically, the student will study how the quality and quantity of x-ray radiation can damage cellular structure and the different ways to minimize this potential danger. This course also discusses rules and regulations related to radiation safety surrounding the radiographer and his/her role in exposing and protecting the public to diagnostic medical radiation. The students should pass successfully the pre-requisites courses to continue into the next level. (Prerequisites: RADT101R, RADT120R, RADT132R)

RADT229R Cross Sectional Anatomy **1 CLASS HOUR / 2 LAB HOURS / 2 CREDITS**

This course will focus on the study of cross-sectional anatomy for imaging professionals. The course is designed to provide the student with an overview of human anatomy, viewed in body sections, as it relates to the imaging professional. Course is complemented with laboratory experiences. (Prerequisites: SCI201R; SCI202R, Matriculation in the RVCC Radiologic Technology Program)

RADT235R Quality Assurance, Ethical and Legal Issues **2 CLASS HOURS / 2 CREDITS**

This course will offer students basic knowledge on the importance and implementation of a quality assurance program in a radiological facility. Emphasis will be given to the quality control tests performed on radiographic exposure and imaging acquisition and processing. Medical-legal considerations of the health profession with emphasis on the radiologic technologist. Comprises current aspects on ethics, responsibilities, obligations and rights of the health professionals relative to patients and colleagues, including case presentation and discussion. (Prerequisites: RADT110R, RADT120R, RADT132R)

RADT240R Introduction to Imaging Modalities **2 CLASS HOURS / 2 CREDITS**

This course introduces students to new modalities of medical diagnostic imaging. Course includes basic concepts of principles and operational procedures of lineal tomography, digital and computerized radiology, computed tomography, interventional, magnetic resonance, nuclear medicine, radiotherapy, mammography, sonography and bone density. (Corequisite: RADT224R)

RESPIRATORY THERAPY

RSPT110R Respiratory Care I **3 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS**

This course emphasizes specific respiratory care therapeutic areas. The topics for discussion are principles of infection prevention and control in the healthcare setting, physical principles of respiratory care, medical gases and their delivery systems, medical gas therapy, humidity therapy, aerosol therapy, storage and the uses of medical gas therapy. The course has simulation activities to enhance learning for the student to achieve specific course competencies.

RSPT115R Microbiology For Respiratory Care**2 CLASS HOURS / 2 CREDITS**

This course will introduce the respiratory student to basic microbiology concepts and common laboratory practices involved with the diagnosis of infectious diseases of the respiratory tract. Students will learn about normal flora and common pathogens of the respiratory tract. (Pre/Corequisites: RSPT121R, BIOL201R)

RSPT121R Respiratory Physiology**4 CLASS HOURS / 4 CREDITS**

This course is an extensive investigation into the anatomy and physiology of the entire respiratory system. Topics include gross anatomy and histology, internal and external respiration, pulmonary blood flow, the matching of ventilation to perfusion, and the role of the central nervous system in controlling ventilation. (Pre/Corequisites: RSPT110R)

RSPT122R Respiratory Care II**2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course is an extension of Respiratory Care I. Topics include: oxygen and carbon dioxide transport, airway management, acid-base balance, arterial blood gas puncture and analysis, suctioning, manual resuscitation, and an introduction to respiratory failure and the need for ventilatory support. (Pre/Corequisites: BIOL201R, RSPT110R, RSPT121R, RSPT132R)

RSPT132R Pulmonary Evaluation**2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course emphasizes the clinical evaluation of the pulmonary patient. Assessments such as vital sign monitoring, chest auscultation, visual inspection, palpation, and percussion are introduced to the first year student. Simulation and role playing of various clinical situations in our lab will enhance the classroom experience. Assessment of pulmonary function tests, precise document charting, as well as performing chest physiotherapy will be taught. A history of the Respiratory Therapy Profession will also be covered. (Pre/Corequisites: RSPT110R, RSPT121R)

RSPT140R Respiratory Care Pharmacology I**3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course is to enhance the respiratory student's learning of basic pharmacologic terminology as related to the field of respiratory care. The course concentrates on the pharmacology used to treat the respiratory system, some drugs used in critical care and those agents associated with the cardiovascular system. Student will learn key terms pertaining to drug dosages, calculate drug doses using proportions and percentage-strength solutions. Adverse effects of these agents will be addressed. (Pre/Corequisites: BIOL201R, RSPT110R, RSPT121R, RSPT132R)

RSPT191R Respiratory Practicum I**4 CREDITS**

During this practicum, clinical, bedside, and laboratory application of respiratory care is presented, utilizing the facilities of affiliated clinical sites under the supervision of hospital Respiratory Care Practitioners. Clinical affiliations are designed to expose students to an environment in which they can develop their skills providing direct patient care. (Pre/Corequisites: RSPT122R, RSPT132R)

RSPT211R Critical Care Respiratory Therapy**2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course will prepare the students to work in the ICU. This course covers material on how mechanical ventilators work, physiology of ventilatory support, initiating and adjusting invasive and non-invasive ventilation, hemodynamic monitoring of the patient in the ICU, and weaning and discontinuing ventilatory support from the patient. (Pre/Corequisites: RSPT191R)

RSPT213R Neonatal & Pediatric Respiratory Care**2 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course provides the students a fundamental background in the principles and concepts of neonatal and pediatric respiratory therapy. Specific topics that will be discussed will include: growth and development of the fetus, the perinatal period, changes that occur at birth, respiratory and cardiovascular abnormalities, and the respiratory therapy equipment used to treat such conditions. (Pre/Corequisites: RSPT211R)

RSPT219R Advanced Care Seminar**1 CLASS HOUR / 1 CREDIT**

This course provides a seminar for guided student exchange on trends and issues of Respiratory Therapy related to the practicum and didactic experience. The rationale for this course is to further enhance the student in making the transition from student to professional by discussing topics relevant to the field of Respiratory Therapy, and further prepare our students for successful completion of the NBRC test. (Pre/Corequisites: RSPT211R)

RSPT228R Cardiopulmonary Disease I**3 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS**

This course concentrates on pathological conditions of the pulmonary system. Topics discussed cover body defense mechanisms, examination and evaluation of the chest, the etiology, pathophysiology, clinical manifestations, laboratory data, treatment, and prognosis of a variety of cardiopulmonary diseases. (Pre/Corequisites: RSPT110R, RSPT121R)

RSPT229R Cardiopulmonary Disease II**3 CLASS HOURS / 2 LAB HOURS / 4 CREDITS**

This course concentrates on pathological conditions of the pulmonary system. Topics discussed cover body defense mechanisms, examination and evaluation of the chest, the etiology, pathophysiology, clinical manifestations, laboratory data, treatment, and prognosis of a variety of cardiopulmonary diseases. (Pre/Corequisites: RSPT228R)

RSPT240R Advanced EKGs for Healthcare Providers**3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course covers the concepts and applications of the art of EKG interpretation. It is designed for beginners, intermediate and advanced healthcare providers desiring a more robust knowledge of the cardiovascular system, cardiac rhythms, electrocardiograms and cardiac drugs used in critical care. (Pre/Corequisites: permission of instructor)

RSPT281R Respiratory Practicum II**4 CREDITS**

During this practicum, clinical, bedside, and laboratory application of respiratory care is presented, utilizing the facilities of affiliated clinical sites under the supervision of hospital Respiratory Care Practitioners. Clinical affiliations are designed to expose students to an environment in which they can develop their skills providing direct patient care. (Pre/Corequisites: RSPT191R, RSPT211R)

RSPT282R Respiratory Practicum III**4 CREDITS**

During this practicum, clinical, bedside, and laboratory application of respiratory care is presented, utilizing the facilities of affiliated clinical sites under the supervision of hospital Respiratory Care Practitioners. Clinical affiliations are designed to expose students to an environment in which they can develop their skills providing direct patient care. (Pre/Corequisites: RSPT281R)

SOCIAL SERVICES

HSV110R Introduction to Social Services**3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course will provide an introduction to the field of social services. An overview of the historical and philosophical roots of the profession, including information from psychology and sociology, will be presented. The course examines the range and diversity of service delivery models, program settings, and populations served. Current issues and trends along with challenges and opportunities within the field are highlighted. The roles and responsibilities of the social services worker and career and professional development planning will be emphasized.

HSV123R Supportive Communication Skills**3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course introduces the theories and concepts of interpersonal communication. The process and practice of supportive communication skills will be emphasized. Issues impacting effective communication and common challenges will be examined. Students will develop skills that can be utilized to supportively communicate with a variety of people in a range of environments.

HSV125R Service Coordination 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course is an introduction to service coordination. The emphasis will be on recognizing and enhancing human potential through the utilization of a strength-based approach. The three major phases of service coordination – assessment, planning, and implementation – will be explored. Topics covered include professional roles and responsibilities, legal and ethical issues, historical perspectives, and current models. (Co/prerequisites: HSV110R)

HSV126R Issues in Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities 3 CLASS HOURS / 3 CREDITS

This course explores many common disabilities, diagnoses, issues, and treatment options related to mental illness and developmental disabilities. The psychological and social impact of having a developmental disability or mental illness is emphasized. (Co/Prerequisites: HSV110R)

HSV270R Social Services Fieldwork**135 FIELDWORK HOURS / 3 CREDITS**

This course, coupled with its co-requisite, Social Services Seminar, provides the student with a comprehensive capstone experience. The student will apply knowledge, skills, and dispositions developed in previous course work. The student will be placed at a community program/agency. Under the guidance of the site supervisor, the student will engage in observations, educational activities, and direct services and other professional tasks. A minimum of 135 hours will be completed at the fieldwork site. (Co/Prerequisites: HSV110R, HSV123R, HSV125R, HSV126R, HSV271R)

HSV271R Social Services Seminar 1 CLASS HOUR / 1 CREDIT

This course, coupled with its co-requisite, Social Services Fieldwork, provides the student with a comprehensive capstone experience. The student will revise his/her personal philosophy statement and update his/her career and professional development plan. In addition, the student will engage in collaborative and collegial exchanges with other seminar participants. Finally, the student will complete a degree portfolio. (Co/Prerequisites: HSV110R, HSV123R, HSV125R, HSV126R, HSV270R)

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MASSAGE THERAPY

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Lebanon, NH

Cheshire Integrative Massage
Keene, NH

Corner Stone Center for Wellness
Keene, NH

Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center
Lebanon, NH

Deep Roots Massage
Keene, NH

Devine Back & Body Care
Keene, NH

Elements Massage
Concord, NH

European Face & Body Studio
Hanover, NH

Gretchen Wetheby, LMT
Greenfield, MA

Healing Spirits - Body Therapy
Lebanon, NH

Heron Dragon
WRJ, VT

River Valley Club
Lebanon, NH

Season of Healing
Keene, NH

Shakti Healing Arts
Peterborough, NH

Skin Health Medi-Spa
Dover, NH

Springfield Hospital
Springfield, VT

The Castle Hill Resort & Spa
Proctorville, VT

Therapeutic Massage
Grantham, NH

Vermont Massage Therapy
Hartford, Vt.

Vickie Branch, PLLC
New London, NH

Woodstock Inn
Woodstock, VT

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PROGRAM**

Approved Affiliates

Alice Peck Day
Lebanon, NH

Cheshire Medical Center/DHMC
Keene, NH

Dr. Deborah Glazer
Lebanon, NH

New London Hospital Association
New London, NH

Sojourns Community Health
Westminster, VT

Valley Regional Hospital
Claremont, NH

White River Junction VA Medical Center
WRJ, VT

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Alice Peck Day
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Brattleboro Memorial Hospital
Brattleboro Vt.

Central Vermont Medical Center
Berlin, VT

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Keene, NH

Concord Hospital
Concord, NH

Gifford Hospital
Randolph, VT

Grace Cottage Hospital
Townsend, Vt.

LRGH
Laconia, NH

Monadnock Mem Hospital
Peterborough, NH

Mt. Ascutney
Ascutney, VT

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New London, NH

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Rutland, VT

Speare Memorial Hospital
Plymouth, NH

Springfield Hospital
Springfield, Vt.

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Nashua, NH

Valley Regional Hospital
Claremont, NH

Weeks Medical Center
Charlestown, NH

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**Dartmouth Hitchcock
Medical Center**
Lebanon, NH 03756

Veterans Administration Center
White River Jct., VT 05009

Springfield Hospital
Springfield, VT 05156

Valley Regional Hospital
Claremont, NH 03743

Valley Vista
Bradford, VT 05033

Cheshire Medical Center
Keene, NH 03431

Brattleboro Memorial Hospital
Brattleboro, VT 05302

Maplewood Nursing Home
Westmoreland, NH 03467

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New London, NH 03057

**Cedarcrest Center for Children with
Disabilities**
Keene, NH 03431

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Windsor, VT 05089

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Unity, NH 03743

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Brattleboro, Vermont 05301

Center Woods Elementary School
Weare, NH 03281

Cheshire County - Maplewood
201 River Road
Westmoreland, NH 03467

Copley Hospital
Morrisville , VT 05661-9209

Grafton County Nursing Home
North Haverhill, NH 03774-4909

Hanover Terrace Healthcare
Hanover, NH 03766

Harborside Westwood
Keene NH 03431

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School District**
Jaffrey, NH 03452

Kearsarge School District
New London, NH 03257

Lebanon Genesis Eldercare
Lebanon, NH 03766-1937.

Mascoma Valley School District
Enfield, NH 03748

Monadnock Community Hospital
Peterborough, NH 03458

New London Hospital
New London, NH 03257

Pleasant View Center
Concord, NH 03301

Springfield School District
Springfield, VT 05156

St Francis Rehab & Nursing
Laconia, NH 03246

St. Johnsbury School
St. Johnsbury, VT 05819

Starr Farm Nursing Center
Burlington, VT 05401

VA Medical Center
White River Jct, VT 05001

Wheelock Elementary School
Keene, NH 03431

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Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center
Lebanon, NH 03766

Alice Peck Day Hospital
Lebanon, NH 03766

Weeks & Gowen Physical Therapy
Charlestown, NH 03603

Valley Regional Hospital
Claremont, NH 03743

HealthSouth Rehab Hospital
Concord, NH 03301

Kendal at Hanover
Hanover, NH 03755

Universal PT
Newport, NH 03773

Northeast VT Regional Hospital
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Keene PT & Sports
Keene, NH 03431

Leaps & Bounds P.T.
Keene, NH 03431

New London Hospital
New London, NH 03257

Lakes Regional Hospital
Gilford, NH

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Valley Regional Hospital
Claremont, NH 03743

Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center
Lebanon, NH 03766

Springfield Hospital
Springfield, VT 05156

North Country Hospital
Newport, VT 05855

New London Hospital
New London, NH 03257

Central Vermont Medical Center
Barre, VT 05641

Northeastern VT Regional Hospital
St Johnsbury, VT 05819

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Veteran Administration Center
White River Jct, VT 05001

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Randolph, VT 05060

Cottage Hospital
Woodsville, NH 03785

Speare Memorial Hospital
Plymouth, NH 03264

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Catholic Medical Center
Manchester, NH 03102

Cheshire Medical Center
Keene, NH 03431

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Manchester, NH 03103

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Exeter, NH 03833

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Laconia, NH 03246

Littleton Hospital
Littleton, NH 03561

New London Hospital
New London, NH 03257

North Country Hospital
Newport, VT 05855

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August 27	Last Day to Register for 100% Online Courses
September 3	Labor Day Holiday - No Classes, College Closed
September 4	Last Day to Add Face-to-Face or Hybrid Courses
September 10	*Last Day to Drop From a Full Semester Course with a Full Refund
September 10-14	Academic Advising Week - Check in with your advisor
September 14	Last Day to Resolve "I"/Incomplete Grades from Summer Semester
October 18-19	Academic Advising Week - Check in with your advisor
November 1	Last Day to Withdraw with Grade of "W" from Full Semester Courses(60% point)
November 12	Veterans' Day - No Classes, College Closed
November 13	Registration Opens for Spring 2018 Semester - Matriculated Students
November 22-24	Thanksgiving - No Classes, College Closed
November 27	Registration opens for Spring 2018 Semester - Non-matriculated Students
December 3-7	Academic Advising Week - Check in with your advisor; Are you registered for spring semester? Students who plan on graduating should complete a degree audit with their program director.
December 14	Last Day of Classes - Fall Semester
December 24	Christmas Day Holiday - No Classes, College Closed
December 25	Chancellor's Day Holiday - No Classes, College Closed

SPRING SEMESTER 2019

January 1	New Year's Day Holiday - No Classes, College Closed
January 21	Martin Luther King Jr./Civil Rights Day Holiday - No Classes, College Closed
January 22	Begin Spring Semester Courses
January 22	Last Day to Register for 100% Online Courses
January 28	Last Day to Add Face-to-Face or Hybrid Courses
January 28-Feb 1	Academic Advising Week - Check in with your advisor
February 4	*Last Day to Drop From a Full Semester Course with a Full Refund
February 8	Last Day to Resolve "I"/Incomplete Grades from Fall Semester
February 11-15	Academic Advising Week - Check in with your advisor
February 18	Presidents' Day Holiday - No Classes, College Closed
March 11-15	Academic Advising Week - Check in with your advisor; Review your academic plan for Summer and Fall.
March 17-23	Spring Break - No Classes
March 25	Registration Opens for Summer 2018 Semester and Fall 2018 Semester - Matriculated Students
March 26	Last Day to Withdraw with Grade of "W" from Full Semester Courses(60% point)
April 1-5	Academic Advising Week - Check in with your advisor
April 8	Registration Opens for Summer 2018 Semester and Fall 2018 Semester - Non-matriculated Students
May 10	Last Day of Classes - Spring Semester
May 17	Commencement/Graduation
May 27	Memorial Day Holiday - No Classes, College Closed

SUMMER SEMESTER 2019

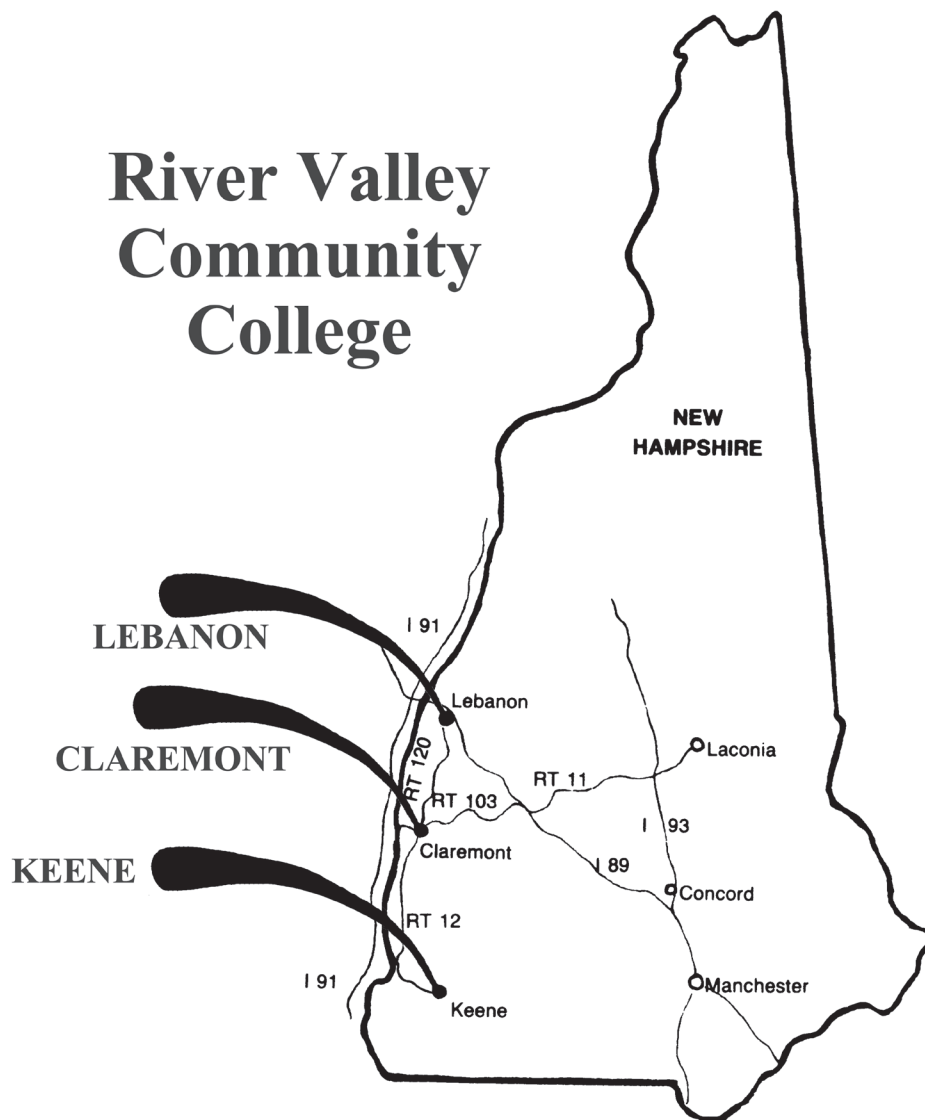
May 28	Summer Semester Classes Begin
May 28	Last Day to Add 100% Online Classes
June 18	Last Day to Resolve "I"/Incomplete Grades from Spring Semester
June 17-21	Academic Advising Week - Check in with your advisor
July 4	Independence Day Holiday - No Classes, College Closed
July 5	Last Day to Withdraw from 8-Week Courses with Grade of "W"
July 15	Last Day to Withdraw from 11-Week Courses with Grade of "W"
July 19	End of 8-week summer classes
August 9	End of 11-week summer courses

* Students in classes that meet in a format shorter than the traditional semester (15-16 weeks) will have seven (7) calendar days from the designated start of the alternative semester to withdraw for a full refund.

** Calendar subject to change

Notes

River Valley Community College



DIRECTIONS TO CLAREMONT CAMPUS

River Valley Community College is located on Route 120 North of Claremont. It is easily accessible from the North on Route 120 in NH or I-91 in Vermont. From Keene and points South RVCC can be reached by traveling North on Route 12 in NH or I-91 in Vermont. Claremont can be reached from points East by traveling on Route 11 to 103 and on I-89 to 103. Route 103 joins Route 120 in Claremont.

KEENE

FROM THE NORTH OR WEST OF KEENE: From NH12 south, merge onto NH-9/NH-10N. Proceed approximately 1.4 miles and turn right onto Washington Street Continue approximately .9 miles. College is on the right.

FROM THE SOUTH OR EAST OF KEENE: From 101, turn onto Main Street. Continue approximately .9 mile to stop light in center of town (pass through one roundabout). Go through light and bear right onto Washington Street. College is .9 miles on left.

LEBANON

RVCC at Lebanon is located at 15 Hanover Street, on the Mall, in downtown Lebanon. From I-89, take either exit 18 and follow Route 120/Hanover Street or exit 19 and follow Route 4 into Lebanon. From the south, take Route 120.



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