

Dear Prospective Anesthesia Technology Student,

Thank you for your interest in the Oklahoma City Community College (OCCC) Associate of Applied Science Degree in Anesthesia Technology. Anesthesia Technology is a hands-on profession, requiring critical thinking skills, manual dexterity, and the ability to work well on a team. As a member of the anesthesia care team, the anesthesia technologist is instrumental in the delivery of safe, efficient care to patients of all ages. You can review the recommended scope of practice of the certified anesthesia technologist at [www.ASATT.org](http://www.ASATT.org).

We offer a 64-66 credit hour program designed to be completed in two years. During the first year, you complete all prerequisites as well as most support courses. The second year, starting in the summer, contains the anesthesia core curriculum. You may complete your prerequisites over any length of time. Once admitted to the program, the course design requires full-time enrollment. Graduates of this program are eligible to apply for the American Society of Anesthesia Technicians and Technologists national certification. Certification validates the skills and knowledge gained during the OCCC program.

Answers to some frequently asked questions follow. This letter does not replace the student handbook, and in any area of question, the student handbook holds the most accurate and complete information. The student handbook is available upon request and distributed electronically at orientation.

***Q: How do I apply?***

A: Both OCCC and the Anesthesia Technology program acceptance are required. You can start your OCCC application online at [www.occc.edu](http://www.occc.edu). The Anesthesia Technology program application can be found online from October to February each year. At all other times of the year, please contact the Anesthesia Technology program for application information. All applicants must provide a printed receipt of payment of the nonrefundable \$20.00 Selective Admissions Application Fee when they submit their application. ***It is very important to read and follow the application process carefully.***

Prior to submitting an application, you are encouraged to speak with an Academic Advisor. You may meet with an Academic Advisor in the Office of Academic Advising, located in the main building across from Admissions. No appointment is required, but you may request one by calling 682-7535.

***Q: What are the prerequisites?***

A: Please refer to Appendix A for the current prerequisite classes. An overall GPA of 2.500 minimum is required for the application. A minimum grade of "C" must be achieved in all courses required for this degree with the exception of POLSC 1113 and HIST 1483 or 1493 (a grade of "D" is minimum for these courses).

***Q: What tests scores are required for admission?***

A: No placement tests required.

***Q: How can I earn preference points?***

A: Please refer to Appendix B for preference point details.

**Q: When will I know if I'm accepted?**

A: Approximately eight weeks after the application deadline, a class roster based on preference points will be selected. If accepted, you will receive a letter of acceptance via your OCCC email address.

**Q: What is the time commitment?**

A: Mandatory lecture, lab, and clinical experiences require attendance three (3) days per week every week of school from June through the following May of the anesthesia core year. Lecture and lab days usually run from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Clinical days run 8 – 10 hours per day, one day per week. Students are not guaranteed a specific day of clinical or facility. **Anticipated total time commitment is between 30-36 hours per week scheduled time and 24- 36 hours of study per week.**

Potential Anesthesia Technology students must assess their ability to meet all course objectives and perform all required skills at the level designated as competent for successful completion of the program. Each student must meet all requirements for clinical placement. Importantly, most clinical agencies have specific physical requirements.

**Q: How much will it cost?**

A: This estimate applies only to the **30 hours of the anesthesia core curriculum (Summer/Fall/Spring)**. Please see your advisor for prerequisite course cost estimates.

	ANES Core Courses Only			
	Summer Semester	Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Totals
<b>Tuition and Fees</b>				
In state Tuition: (\$135.29/credit hour)	\$ 811.74	\$ 1,623.48	\$ 1,623.48	\$ 4,058.70
Lab Fee	\$ 50.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 250.00
Equipment and Technology Fee (\$25/credit hour of classes with lab or clinical)	\$ 100.00	\$ 225.00	\$ 225.00	\$ 550.00
Electronic Media Fee (\$12/credit hour)	\$ 72.00	\$ 148.00	\$ 148.00	\$ 368.00
ACLS and PALS registration (\$5 each course)			\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
<b>Online Program Access</b>				
ExamSoft Online Testing	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 90.00
PlatinumEd Lab and Clinical Experiences Tracking	\$ 75.00			\$ 75.00
MyClinicalExchange (mCE) Clinical Management	\$ 36.50			\$ 36.50
<b>Textbooks</b>				
Required textbooks	\$ 505.00	\$ 313.00		\$ 818.00
<i>Optional textbooks</i>		\$ 917.00	\$ 260.00	\$ 1,177.00
<b>Clinical Requirements</b>				
Immunizations and/or blood tests	\$ 350.00			\$ 350.00
CPR Certification	\$ 50.00			\$ 50.00
Drug Testing Fee	\$ 40.00			\$ 40.00
Background Check	\$ 42.50			\$ 42.50
Student Liability Insurance	\$ 30.00			\$ 30.00
<b>Miscellaneous</b>				
Uniform, Shoes	\$ 225.00			\$ 225.00
Equipment:	\$ 120.00			\$ 120.00
Student ASATT membership		\$ 70.00		\$ 70.00
TOTAL In state with REQUIRED textbooks	\$ 2,537.74	\$ 2,509.48	\$ 2,136.48	<b>\$ 7,183.70</b>
<i>ESTIMATES as of April 2019</i>				
<i>Non resident Tuition (\$326.99/credit hour)</i>	\$ 1,961.94	\$ 3,923.88	\$ 3,923.88	\$ 9,809.70
<i>TOTAL non-resident cost with REQUIRED textbooks</i>	\$ 3,687.94	\$ 5,726.88	\$ 4,696.88	\$ 14,111.70

*This cost estimate is for the Anesthesia Technology courses ONLY and does not include expenses attached to the general and support courses.*

**Graduation Expenses**

Cap and gown	\$ 36.00
Application for certification	<u>325.00</u> (as ASATT student member)
	\$461.00

**Q: Are there other requirements after selection for admission?**

A: The immunization and health status verifications are required to attend clinical. These requirements are subject to change as clinical agencies update their expectations. All requirements must remain current throughout the semester. **THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THESE POLICIES.**

1. All students must provide documentation of current certification in **American Heart Association Healthcare Provider CPR** prior to enrollment in the anesthesia technology program. Online CPR training is only acceptable if is American Heart Association Healthcare Provider CPR.
2. All students must present proof of the required immunizations and health records. Information is available in the Health Professions Division office regarding the required records and immunizations.
3. All students admitted to the program will be required to complete an extensive nationwide Background Report that includes, but is not limited to, Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI) background searches for sex offender, violent offender, and criminal history. Clinical agencies require this information of all students who utilize their facilities to satisfy the clinical components of their curriculum. Information regarding this requirement will be forwarded to those students selected for admission.
4. All students will be required to pass a pre-placement drug test.
5. All students enrolled in coursework with a clinical component must provide documented current Accidental Medical and Professional Liability Insurance. The cost of the insurance policy (at the time of this printing) is \$31.02 for one calendar year and is purchased in the Bursar's office during normal hours of operation.

**Q: Do I need a computer?**

A: Owning your own computer with internet access may make the program easier. Students are NOT required to own a computer since both OCCC and the HP Division have computers for student use.

*We are excited that you are interested in making anesthesia technology a part of your future and are available to assist you in completing this goal!*

*Sincerely,*

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**Appendix A**  
**Prerequisite Courses**

- These courses must be completed with a grade of “C” or higher by the start of ANES 1112.**
  - AHP 1013, Medical Terminology
  - ENGL 1113, English Composition I
  - MATH 1503 Contemporary Mathematics  
**OR**  
Higher-level MATH
  - BIO 1314, Human Anatomy & Physiology I  
**OR**  
BIO 2255 Human Anatomy
  - ENGL 1213, English Composition II
  - CHEM 1115 General Chemistry I  
**OR**  
CHEM 1123, Survey of General, Organic, and Biochemistry **AND** CHEM 1131, Laboratory for Survey of General, Organic and Biochemistry
  - BIO 1414, Human Anatomy and Physiology II  
**OR**  
BIO 2234 Human Physiology
  - One (1) Gen Ed Course
  
- General education courses required for graduation – Grade of “D” or higher acceptable.**
  - SCL 1001, Success in College and Life
  - POLSC 1113, American Federal Government
  - HIST 1483, U.S. History to 1877  
**OR**  
HIST 1493, U.S. History 1877 to Present

**Appendix B  
Preference Points**

Once the basic application requirements are met, applicants may improve their opportunity for selection by earning preference points. A maximum of 18 total preference points may be awarded as detailed below.

**ACHIEVEMENT – 14 POINTS POSSIBLE**

- College Degree (maximum of 4 points)** Points Awarded for Highest Degree Earned  
*Degrees must be conferred **by the application deadline.***

	<b>POINTS</b>
Associate Degree---AA, AS, AAS Degree.....	2
Bachelor’s Degree .....	3
Master’s Degree and Above.....	4

- GPA (maximum of 4 points)** College Retention GPA

	<b>POINTS</b>
3.0000 – 3.4999.....	2
3.5000 - 3.7499 .....	3
3.7500 – 4.0000 .....	4

- Science Courses (maximum of 3 courses and 6 points)**
  - o College-level science courses (3 credit hours or more)
  - o **2** points per class for a grade of A; **1** point per class for a grade of B

**EXPERIENCE/STATEMENT OF PURPOSE - MAXIMUM 4 POINTS POSSIBLE**

On a separate page, write a statement of purpose no longer than 500 words listing relevant work history and detailing your interest in the anesthesia technology program. Include in your essay any health related certifications you have earned. The essay must be typewritten, double spaced, with a 12-point font size, and attached to your application.

**OVERALL TOTAL POINTS POSSIBLE: 18**