

Electrocardiograph (EKG) Technology Program

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Admission Packet

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# Electrocardiograph (EKG) Technology Program

Florida 32504

## Career Information

### Mission

The mission of the EKG Technology Program is to provide quality education for students by preparing them for employment as Electrocardiography (EKG) Technicians.

### Program Information

The EKG Technology Program is a 465- clock hour (16 vocational credits) program designed to provide students with practical and clinical skill needed to perform 12-lead EKG and recognize a cardiac emergency. The program begins each fall semester (D session in August) and concludes at the end of the spring semester (May).

The program consists of classroom and simulated laboratory experiences during the fall semester and a clinical rotation in hospital and medical facilities during the spring semester.

Upon satisfactory completion of this course, the student will receive three Occupational Completion Point certificates, Basic Healthcare Worker (90 hours), EKG Aide (75 hours), and EKG Technician (300 hours) as per the Florida Department of Education. Program policy requires that all required courses be completed with a grade of "C" or better.

### Application Procedure

1. Apply to Pensacola State College; a \$30 application fee is required if you are a new student. The application can be completed on-line or at an Admissions office at any campus location. If you have attended Pensacola State in the past but is has been over a year, you will need to update your application. There is no charge for updating your application.
2. Complete a Health-Related Admissions application checking **EKG Technology** as your program choice. Mail, fax, or hand-deliver to: Health Admissions Office. Health Admissions is located on the Warrington Campus, Building 3600, Room 3622. The fax number and address are on the application.
3. Request an official copy of your standard high school transcript or GED to be sent to the Pensacola State College Registrar's office.
4. Minimum of a 2.0 vocational grade point average.

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### Curriculum Sequence

Term / Course	Course Name	Credit Hours
<b>Term I: Fall</b>		<b>6</b>
HSC 0003C	Basic Healthcare Worker	3
MEA0540C	EKG Aide	3
<b>TERM II: Spring</b>		<b>10</b>
MEA0541C	EKG Technician	10
	<b>Total Program Credits</b>	<b>16</b>

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**Q: What are the Educational Outcomes of the EKG Technology Vocational Certificate Program?**

A: Educational outcomes are the terminal competencies expected of the program graduates. At the end of the EKG Technology Program at Pensacola State College, the graduate will be able to:

1. Perform an EKG.
2. Recognize and report a cardiac emergency.
3. Perform basic life support when indicated.
4. Assist in patient preparation for Holter & Telemetry monitoring and Stress Testing

**Q: Will I need a License?**

A: No license is required; however, a national credentialing exam is available and is highly recommended for employment.

**Q: What Knowledge and Skills does an EKG Technician Need?**

A: Skills include understanding cardiac anatomy and physiology, performing an EKG, and recognizing a cardiac emergency.

**Q: What are some Typical Tasks?**

- Preparing patient for EKG, Holter and telemetry monitoring and stress testing
- Identifying the right patient to receive an EKG
- Attaching EKG leads to patient
- Entering patient data on the EKG machine
- Obtaining information from patients
- Conducting an EKG
- Reporting results as needed

**Q: What other Occupations are Available?**

- Patient Care Tech
- ER Tech

**Q: What is the Degree Progression in EKG Technology?**

**A:** The Pensacola State College EKG Technology Program is a sixteen (16) vocational credit certificate program (465 clock-hours). Classes are held during the day.

**Q: What is the Career Path in EKG Technology?**

**A:** Graduates from the EKG Technology Program may advance in career by successfully completing an examination offered by a national EKG technician credentialing agency. They may also pursue a degree in any Health Care Program at Pensacola State College.

**Q: Clinical Schedule:**

**A:** The second term (spring) will include clinical hours at hospitals and medical facilities. Clinical hours are daytime only.

**Q: What is the Estimated Cost of the EKG Technology Program?**

The following are **approximate** costs for the EKG Technology program:

<u>Tuition</u>			
Florida residents	\$85.80/credit hour	x 16 hours	\$ 1,372.80
Alabama residents	\$86.80/credit hour	x 16 hours	\$ 1,388.80
Non-Florida residents	\$343.20/credit hour	x 16 hours	\$ 5,491.20

Additional Expenses (approximate):

Lab Fees                               \$ 248.00  
Books                                     \$ 100.00  
Uniforms and Related items   \$ 100.00

Please contact a Pensacola State College Admissions office if you have questions regarding residency. The legislature has the right to raise tuition and generally does so in July of each year.

Financial Aid

Vocational Grants may be available through Financial Aid on the Warrington Campus. Other financial aid, such as the Health Program Opportunity Grant, may be available to certain candidates. Eligibility requirements for such grants require that students submit the „FAFSA“ application and be considered eligible based upon need. For assistance in completing the

FAFSA, you may wish to contact the Education Opportunity Center (EDC) at 484-2357 or apply on-line at: [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov).

### Selection Process

Student enrollment in the program is limited to 25 new candidates per year. The number of students in each class is determined by the availability of space, equipment, qualified faculty and hospital and clinical facilities necessary for a meaningful education.

Program acceptance is based on selection from all qualified candidates meeting the minimum criteria on a first-completed/first-seated basis. Contact the Admissions Office for details at (850) 484-2210.

Orientation is usually held a few months before classes start and is mandatory. Upon official acceptance to the EKG Technology Program you will be required to attend the program orientation. Background check, drug screen, and a health form with appropriate immunizations are required. Please note: if you were convicted of, or pled Nolo Contendere to a felony, you may not be eligible to complete the program and be employed in health care. Please contact the program director with any questions.

### Policies


Policies are located in the Allied Health Department Manual or EKG Technology Program Handbook. Other specifics are listed in the Clinical Packet under General Rules.

### Contact Information

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<b>Testing Centers</b> Pensacola Campus Warrington Campus	484-1656 484-1076	
<b>Financial Aid</b> Milton Campus Pensacola Campus Warrington Campus	484-4410 484-1680 484-2349	

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Pensacola State College  
Department of Health Sciences  
EKG Technology Program

	<b>Applicant's Check list of Forms/Requirements</b>	
	1.	Application to College
	2.	Application to Program (Health Sciences Application)  Submit to: Health Admissions Office Bldg. 3600, Warrington Campus 5555 West Hwy 98 Pensacola, FL 32507
	3.	Request for official standard High School/GED transcript
	4.	Request for College transcripts if applicable
	5.	Retain a copy for personal use of all forms submitted

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REQUEST FORM FOR STANDARD HIGH SCHOOL OR COLLEGE  
TRANSCRIPTS

The applicant is responsible for mailing this form to the appropriate high school, university(s) or college(s). Transcripts submitted by the student will not be accepted. Academic records must be mailed directly to the address on this form. This form may be copied for multiple uses.

TO THE REGISTRAR/Records Clerk:

\_\_\_\_\_  
COMPLETE NAME OF HIGH SCHOOL, UNIVERSITY OR COLLEGE

\_\_\_\_\_  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PLEASE SEND:

\_\_\_\_ High School Record (showing graduation date or date of withdrawal)

\_\_\_\_ College Transcripts

\_\_\_\_ Transient Student Approval

If a charge is required for this service, please bill the student at the information provided below:

**PLEASE MAIL RECORDS TO: REGISTRAR'S OFFICE**

**PENSACOLA STATE COLLEGE  
1000 COLLEGE BOULEVARD  
PENSACOLA, FL 32504-8998**

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ STUDENT'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

INFORMATION TO ASSIST IN LOCATING YOUR RECORD AT THIS SCHOOL/COLLEGE:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Current Last Name First Middle Maiden

\_\_\_\_\_  
Current Mailing Address City State Zip Code

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name at time of enrollment at this school Student ID number used at this school  
Approximate dates of attendance Graduation date (if applicable)



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## Application for Health Related Programs

Student ID Number (**Required**) \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ Middle and/or Maiden \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number & Street (apt # if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Check the program(s) you want to apply for and return this form to the Health Program Admissions Office at 5555 West Highway 98, Pensacola, FL 32507; or fax it to (850) 484-2375. You may check multiple programs

✓	Program	Start Dates		
	Career Mobility – Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) or Paramedic to Registered Nurse ⇒Florida LPN License OR Florida Paramedic License required		May	
	Certified Nursing Assistant		May	
	Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) to Licensed Practical Nurse ⇒Florida CNA License required			Aug
	Dental Hygiene		May	
X	EKG Technology Program			Aug
	Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) ⇒CPR Certification required	Jan	May	Aug
	Health Information Management			Aug
	Medical Information Coder/Biller Certificate			Aug
	Health Services Management	Jan		Aug
	Health Unit Coordinator			Aug
	Medical Assisting			Aug
	Medical Office Administration	Jan	May	Aug
	Medical Records Transcribing	Jan	May	Aug
	Nursing (A.D.) R.N.	Jan		Aug
	Nursing (A.D.) R.N. ⇒Weekend/Evening Option – See Information Packet for specifics	Jan		
	Paramedic ⇒Florida EMT License Required			Aug
	Perioperative Nursing ⇒Registered Nursing License required			Aug
	Pharmacy Technician		May	
	Phlebotomy	Jan		Aug
	Physical Therapist Assistant			Aug
	Practical Nursing	Jan	June	
	Radiography		June	
	Sonography	Jan		
	Surgical Technology			Aug
	Veterinary Technology			Aug

I understand that this application DOES NOT GUARANTEE admission into a health-science program and certify that the information is correct knowing that falsification of information could lead to dismissal if I am accepted into the program. I also understand that I must keep Pensacola State College informed of my current address and telephone number by submitting a Student Record Change Form at any Student Affairs Office or online in my Spyglass account.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Health-Related Program Applicant