

**Orthotics and Prosthetics Technology Associate in Science Program  
Admission Requirements Checklist  
(Meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee admission)**

Term	**Applications Accepted	Application Review	Student Notified By MySPC e-mail
Fall: August	January 9 - May 15	May 16 - June 30	July 1

**HEC Requirements**

- Complete the [St. Petersburg College Admission Application](#) and pay the non-refundable fee.  
**\*Note to Returning Students** If you have not enrolled in courses in the six previous semesters, you will need to complete the online [Readmission Application in MySPC](#). You will be asked if you want to complete the readmission process when you log in to MySPC. Failure to do so will prohibit or delay your course enrollment.
- Submit official, unopened (sealed) high school transcript(s) or GED transcripts. We do not accept unofficial copies or official copies that have been opened. Applicants who have earned an Associate in Arts, Associate in Science, Associate in Applied Science, Baccalaureate, or higher degree from a regionally accredited institution are waived from this requirement.
- Submit official, unopened (sealed) transcripts from all regionally accredited colleges and/or universities. We do not accept unofficial copies or official copies that have been opened.
- Students must demonstrate they are at college level in Writing, Reading, and Math either through appropriate test scores, or through appropriate course completion.

**Program Admissions**

Complete the following with grades of C or better:

- **Communications - Composition I:** Complete 3 credits from the approved General Education Composition I coursework.
  - **Communications – Speech:** Complete 3 credits from the approved General Education Speech coursework.
  - **Humanities and Fine Arts:** Complete 3 credits from the approved General Education Humanities and Fine Arts coursework.
  - **Mathematics:** Complete 3 credits from the approved General Education Mathematics coursework.
  - **Social and Behavioral Sciences:** Complete 3 credits from the approved General Education Social and Behavioral Sciences coursework.
  - **Ethics:** Complete 3 credits from the approved General Education Ethics coursework.
  - **Computer/Information Literacy Competency:** Competency may be demonstrated by completing the Computer Information and Literacy Exam (CGS 1070T) OR by successful completion of one of the approved Computer/Information Literacy Competency courses. No minimum credits required.
  - **Enhanced World View:** Complete at least one 3-credit course intended to enhance the student's world view in light of an increasingly globalized economy. In some cases, this course may also be used to satisfy another General Education Requirement.
  - **BSC 1084C:** Complete 4 credits Essentials of Human Anatomy and Physiology.
- Earn a 2.0 minimum grade point average on a 4.00 scale on all courses included in the admission process.
  - Submit the Health Programs Application by going to <https://web.spcollege.edu/hec/application/apply>

## Selection Criteria

Due to enrollment limitations, meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee admission. When the number of eligible applications exceeds the program availability, selective criteria will be used to determine which applicants will be offered admission. Students will be ranked by calculating GPA in the required courses needed for admission with the exception of the Computer Information Literacy requirement.

**All application requirements must be satisfied by the close of the application window.** All transcripts must be received and evaluated by St. Petersburg College at least 30 days prior to the application deadline to ensure consideration.

If you are not offered admission, you will need to reapply during the next appropriate application acceptance period.

If you are offered admission you will need to complete the following pre-enrollment requirements by a specific due date to maintain eligible status.

- Complete the Letter of Intent survey (Provided in admission E-Mail)
- Successfully pass a background check and drug screening. (Information and due date provided in Admission E-Mail)
- Complete the Health Examination Form and any required immunizations. (Form and due date provided at orientation)
- Attend the Health Education Program orientation. (Date provided in Admission E-Mail)

## Program Information

The Associate in Science in Orthotic and Prosthetic Technology program is a full-time program spanning three semesters: Fall, Spring, and Summer. The program begins each fall. Students should plan to attend classes 5 days a week. Transportation will be required to attend clinical sites off campus.

After successful completion of the program, graduates will be responsible for registering and taking the American Board for Certification in Orthotics, Prosthetics & Pedorthics (ABC) Technician Exams. An exam in each fabrication discipline (orthotics and/or prosthetics) is required to earn certification as a Technician. Candidates who have met the ABC requirements and passed the certification exam will be awarded the Certified Orthotic Technician (CTO) or Certified Prosthetic Technician (CTP) credential. Candidates who have met the ABC requirements and passed certification exams for both disciplines will be awarded the Certified Prosthetic-Orthotic Technician (CTPO) credential.

St. Petersburg College does not have on-campus housing, however, please review estimates for [local off-campus housing costs](#). Face-to-face and telephone advising appointments are available. Use our [Advising Request](#) form or call 727-341-7904 to schedule an appointment. Advising appointments are held at the [Caruth Health Education Center](#).

## Estimated Costs

*Tuition	**Physical & Immunizations	Drug & Background Check	Uniforms, Special Equipment Costs	Lab Fees			Textbooks	Exam & License Fees	Total
				Fall	Spring	Summer			
\$4,247	\$100	\$150.25	\$300 - \$500	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$900	\$100	\$600	\$9,997

\*[Tuition](#) is estimated using the Florida resident rates. Out-of-state residents will have higher tuition fees.

\*\* These are high estimates; actual costs will vary depending on health insurance coverage.

### Ensuring Course Requirements are Satisfied

\*It is the student's responsibility to make sure transfer coursework meets the course requirements for SPC.

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Courses that transfer in as "Elective" 1999, 2999, 3999 prefix do not satisfy requirements. Student must request Alternate Satisfaction for the specific course in order for the course to meet the specific requirements.

Ex: If speech transfers in as: SPC 1999 it does not meet the requirement for speech. An alternate satisfaction would need to be requested.

To initiate the alternate satisfaction request/review process:

Complete the Alternative Satisfaction Survey, which is now active at <https://web.spcollege.edu/survey/21215>:



## Alternative Satisfaction Survey

Before you begin filling out this form, be sure to have the following available to upload:

- 1 - The syllabus of the course you wish to use to satisfy an SPC course (PDF or Word formats only).
- 2 - If the course was completed at another institution, an unofficial or official transcript (PDF or Word formats only).

### Evaluating/Posting Transfer Credit to Your SPC Records

Direct questions regarding transfer credit evaluation to [transcript.evaluator@spcollege.edu](mailto:transcript.evaluator@spcollege.edu)

**\*\*Students need to send an email from their SPC email address and include the following information when contacting Central Records:**

Student Name and SPC Student ID Number

Course prefix, number, title and term/year completed as it appears on student's original transcript

### Accessibility Services

St. Petersburg College is committed to providing quality education and services to all students by ensuring that admission, academic programs, support services, student activities, and campus facilities are accessible to and usable by qualified students with disabilities. Each specific health program has its own [technical standards](#) which all students must meet with or without an accommodation(s). To help students achieve success, Accessibility Services works with students, faculty, and staff to coordinate the provision of reasonable accommodations. To put your accommodations in place, please contact the Health Education Center (HEC) Accessibility Services at 727-341-3721 or <http://go.spcollege.edu/accessibility/> even if you are registered with another campus

The following courses ( <b>GENERAL EDUCATION AND SUPPORT</b> ) are required for admission		
<b>GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES</b> - May be satisfied by an Associate in Arts or higher degree (not calculated into GPA)		<b>CREDIT POINTS</b>
<b>Communications - Composition I</b> Complete 3 credits from the approved General Education Composition I coursework.		<b>3</b>
<b>Communications – Speech</b> Complete 3 credits from the approved General Education Speech coursework.		<b>3</b>
<b>Humanities and Fine Arts **</b> Complete 3 credits from the approved General Education Humanities and Fine Arts coursework.		<b>3</b>
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<b>Social and Behavioral Sciences **</b> Complete 3 credits from the approved General Education Social and Behavioral Sciences coursework.		<b>3</b>
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<b>Computer/Information Literacy Competency</b> Competency may be demonstrated by completing the Computer Information and Literacy Exam (CGS 1070T) OR by successful completion of one of the approved Computer/Information Literacy Competency courses. No minimum credits required. ( <b>will not be factored in credit points or GPA Calculation</b> )		
<b>Enhanced World View **</b> Complete at least one 3-credit course intended to enhance the student's world view in light of an increasingly globalized economy. In some cases, this course may also be used to satisfy another General Education Requirement. ( <b>will not be factored in credits points or GPA Calculation</b> )		
<b>SUPPORT COURSE</b> - May not be satisfied by an Associate in Arts or higher degree.		<b>CREDIT POINTS</b>
<b>BSC 1084C:</b> Complete 4 credits Essentials of Human Anatomy and Physiology		<b>4</b>
<b>CREDIT HOUR POINTS TOTALS</b>		
<b>GPA CALCULATION (Program GPA multiplied by 10 = GPA Points)</b> <b>4.0 GPA = 4</b>		
<b>MAXIMUM POINT TOTAL = (CREDIT POINTS + GPA POINTS) = TOTAL POINTS</b>		
<b>Credit Points</b>	<b>22</b>	
<b>GPA Points</b>	<b>40</b>	
<b>Total Points</b>	<b>62</b>	