

Central Processing FAQ's

Can I do this program part-time or in the evenings only?

The Central Processing program is offered during the day and evening, for full-time hours.

Do I get to choose my clinical sites?

Central Processing students may be assigned to any of the clinical sites utilized by the program and may NOT request assignment to a particular site for any reason. Consideration for placement is dependent on many factors at the discretion of the clinical director.

How many students are accepted in each class?

Each cohort of Central Processing students is approximately 28. The Central Processing program ties the admission numbers/class size to the appropriate available clinical sites.

Can I finish my college pre-requisites in the semester my application is considered?

Yes, the Central Processing program will still consider candidates who are finishing their last pre-requisites. However, students who are completed by the application deadline (June1 for Fall admission, October 10 for Spring admission) will be considered first.

Is a criminal background check and drug screen a program requirement?

Yes. Students accepted into the program will receive information regarding the drug screening and criminal background process.

I need to work part-time if I am admitted to the central processing program. Is this a possibility?

The amount of time a Central Processing student must spend in study, practice and attending clinical rotations is significant. It is possible to work on one shift and attend class/clinicals on another shift. Students who choose to work must be determined and organized. The central processing program cannot make accommodations for a student's work schedule.

Are Central Processing students in class a lot during the week?

Central Processing courses cover time in both class and clinicals. For the first five weeks of the program, students are in class Monday-Thursday for 3 hours per day, with extra time needed for study, learning instruments, and lab practice. For weeks six through sixteen of the semester, students are in class on Mondays for 3 hours per day, and in clinicals Tuesday-Friday. Clinical hours vary with day or evening cohorts, but students are expected to complete an 8 hour shift for each clinical day.

Will I have to wear a uniform and dress a certain way when I am a central processing student?

Yes, the Gwinnett Technical College Central Processing students represent themselves, the Central Processing profession and Gwinnett Technical College at all times. Central Processing students will meet the dress code as is laid out in the student handbook. The Central Processing student is required to comply with the dress code for all class, clinical and campus events.