



## Selection Process

After careful review of all applicants by the program director and faculty, applicants who are selected will be **notified by email of their acceptance or nonacceptance** into the program. If you are accepted, you will be emailed an acceptance letter. Please be aware that being accepted into the program, you will complete your criminal background check and drug screen prior to practicum rotation.

1. Pass a mandatory criminal background check and drug screen (at the student's expense).
2. You must show proof of current immunization status. The immunization requirements are mandated by the State of Texas for all Health Science students as part of entry into the program. Failure to complete the required immunizations will prevent the student from participating in clinical rotations. The immunizations consist of:

### **Safety and Health Information – Shots required for Practicum**

**Immunizations:** All students accepted into the Biomedical Engineering Technology program at St. Philip's College must present evidence that the following immunization requirements have been met **before the student is allowed to begin a practicum.**

**1) (Td/Tdap)** - One dose of Tetanus and Diphtheria toxoid within the last 10 years

**2) Measles/Mumps/Rubella series (MMR)** - a total of 2 doses required

**Measles** – Students born on or after Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1957 must show acceptable evidence of vaccination of 2 doses of measles-containing vaccine administered since Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> 198 or acceptable evidence of immunity.

**Mumps** – Students born on or after Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> 1957 must show acceptable evidence of vaccination of one dose of Mumps vaccine or acceptable evidence of immunity.

**Rubella** – Students must show acceptable evidence of vaccination of 1 dose of rubella vaccine or acceptable evidence of immunity.

**3) Mantoux Test (TB Skin test)** – A PPD skin test must be done within 1 year prior to the practicum and must be repeated once a year or more frequently if required by a specific site. If PPD is positive, student must have a cleared chest X-ray or documentation from a doctor.

**4) Hepatitis A** – 2 doses required If vaccine received is 10+ years ago, a booster



shot or proof of immune status must be provided.

**5) Hepatitis B series** – 3 doses

If vaccine received is 10+ years ago, a booster shot or proof of immune status must be provided.

**6) Varicella** – 2 doses of varicella, unless first dose was received prior to 13 years of age, or acceptable evidence of immunity, or letter from physician stating you have had the disease (chickenpox).

**7) Covid-19 Shots** – first 2 doses are required along with boosters; this is on a case by case basis depending on which site is selected.

**8) Flu Shot** – Flu shot must be current; typically given August – December for which can cover both practicum classes

Written documentation of all immunizations listed is maintained in the student's file in the office of the Practicum Coordinator.

**Student Criminal Background and Drug Screens:**

All students are required to have a cleared criminal background check and a cleared drug screen before attending clinical rotation. These records are maintained in the student's file in the office of the Practicum Coordinator.

**Blood and Body Fluid Exposure:**

The students of St. Philip's Biomedical Engineering Technology program have been given in the curriculum, information regarding known risks for various diseases and have been provided skills to implement precautions appropriate to these risks in BIOM 2301 Safety in Healthcare Facilities course which is a prerequisite to the practicum.