



Specialist in Blood Bank Technology/Transfusion Medicine Program

Admission Requirements

Candidates for the OneBlood Specialist in Blood Bank Technology/Transfusion Medicine (SBBT/TM) Program must meet the following requirements:

- US citizenship or eligible to work in the United States.
- MT(ASCP), MLS(ASCP), or BB(ASCP) certification and a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college/university, including 24 semester hours of biological science and chemistry.
- At least 2 years of full-time hospital transfusion service, reference laboratory, or blood bank experience.
 - Quality and extent of applicant's blood banking experience will be considered.
 - *NOTE:* The SBBT/TM program at OneBlood does not allow advanced placement or transfer credits. OneBlood may allow experiential learning to meet clinical practicum requirements.
- Official College Transcripts - Minimum undergraduate GPA 3.0 (preferred).
 - Academic work completed at colleges or universities outside of the United States requires transcript evaluation by an ASCP acceptable evaluation agency.
- Three professional references
- A qualified mentor who agrees to provide assistance and guidance for the duration of the program (12 months).
- Physical requirements (Essential Functions):
 - Some tasks may involve some climbing, stooping, kneeling, crouching, crawling, or prolonged sitting or standing
 - Occasionally required to push/pull moderately heavy objects (up to 50 lbs.)
 - Specific vision abilities include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and ability to adjust focus
 - Ability to travel to sites for clinical rotations
 - Capable of performing required maintenance for laboratory instruments.
 - Ability to read/comprehend text (print and on computer screen)

Additional criteria considered in selecting candidates are:

- Membership in blood bank associations
- Participation in training workshops
- Attendance at continuing education programs
- Research interests and projects
- Supervisory and teaching experience
- Attainment of advanced degrees
- Awards and outstanding employee ratings
- Work experience documentation



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Note: Applicants from countries where English is not the native language are required to submit scores for the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) and have an evaluation of their transcript of credits from an acceptable agency.

Acceptance of students will be determined by a numerical score based on the candidate's education/transcripts, work experience, references, application, and interview.

Student Attributes

Students enrolled in the OneBlood SBBT/TM Program must be self-motivated, self-disciplined, and committed to keep up with the curriculum workload. The student must be willing and able to commit to 15-20 hours per week (or longer if required) to keep up with curriculum requirements. Additional attributes to be successful in an online program include good skills in independent learning, organization, time management, and written communication.

Computer Requirements

Students must be proficient in the use of electronic devices and have reliable access to a computer with a camera, microphone, Microsoft Office, and high-speed internet.

Financial Requirements

The fee for application to the SBBT/TM Program is \$50 and nonrefundable. Tuition is \$6,000 for the 12-month program. Tuition will be due in full by the first day of orientation.

All funds collected will be via check and submitted to:

OneBlood, Inc.
Attn. Accounts Receivable
8669 Commodity Circle
Orlando, FL 32819

Please note in the "For:" section of the check "**For SBBT/TM Department #2615**".

There is no allowance for late payment unless approved by OneBlood executive management.



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If a student does not pay in full by the deadline as outlined above:

- The student will be dropped from the program.
- Access to the on-line portion of the SBBT/TM program will be terminated.
- If non-employee, removal of access to OneBlood facilities.
- No certificate of completion is granted.

No refunds will be given.

Students are responsible for their own:

- Medical insurance
- Individual professional liability insurance
- Travel/accommodations/transportation expenses
- Books and office supplies
- Reagents and/or necessary supplies to obtain clinical experience