

## Open Admissions

Horry-Georgetown Technical College (HGTC) operates on an open admission college required by the 1976 Code of Laws of South Carolina, as amended. HGTC makes every effort to minimize geographic, financial, and scholastic barriers to the post-secondary credit and non-credit programs and services offered by the college. As such, the College admits all qualified individuals who meet appropriate academic age and verified legal presence requirements.

A minimum eighth grade reading, writing and math level is required for college admission. A high school diploma (or GED Certificate), though desirable, is not a prerequisite for college admission, but may be required for specific program admission. While HGTC does not refuse admission to the College based on academic history or test scores, other than a minimum eighth grade reading, writing and math level requirement, entry into the College does not constitute admission to particular programs of study. Admission to specific programs at HGTC may require additional documentation, due to licensure or accreditation requirements. For additional information, see <https://www.hgtc.edu/admissions/requirements.html>.

To fulfill the educational mission of the College and to promote achievements by individuals with varied potentials, open admissions is defined as a practice which: (1) admits to the College all verified legal United States citizens who can benefit from available learning opportunities, and (2) places into specific programs of study those students whose potential for success is commensurate with program admission standards.