

# Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College

## Statement of Policy

Title: Student Background Checks and Drug Screenings

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Pursuant to the amendment of Chapter 7, Title 44 of the SC Code of Laws under Article 23, students enrolled in nursing programs of study at Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College may be required to undergo a criminal records check. Health Sciences students that provide direct caregiver services to agencies and organizations sited in the law will be required to undergo the criminal record check prior to clinical or intern placement in those facilities. College admissions policy and procedures will reflect this requirement for these programs.

Students enrolled in other designated programs of study at Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College shall submit to a criminal background check conducted prior to program entry and/or clinical or extended learning activity placement. Drug screening may also be required. Program admission policies, procedures, and manuals will reflect these requirements for such programs. Failure to comply with requirements may result in a student's denial for program admission or access to extended learning sites.

Students also may be subject to additional criminal background checks or drug screenings once enrolled in the designated program, if required by the clinical or extended learning experience site.