

# National Career Pathways Network 2020



New Career Pathways and  
Microcredentials in Medical  
Device Networking, Security,  
and Manufacturing

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# Background - What, Where, and Why?

## **What is Biomedical Engineering Technology?**

Also called BMET, biomed, medical equipment/device repair technicians, and aka biomedical equipment technicians.

- assemble equipment
- preventative maintenance
- repair equipment
- document work
- update medical device software
- network medical devices
- maintain endpoint security

## **Where do they work?**

- Hospitals
- Medical device manufactures
- Third party service providers

# National Science Foundation: Biomedical Engineering Technology

Goal – Provide new onramps and offramps for students in BMET

## Grant Objective

- Add three college credit certificates
- Add at least 15 industry identified badges/microcredentials
- Create competency based assessments for badges

# Badging and Academic Pathways

## ACADEMIC AND CAREER PATHWAYS

### Badges/Microcredentials for Demonstrating Competencies



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### Associate in Science Degree including Internship 60 total credit hours



### Bachelor of Applied Science Degree - 120 total credits



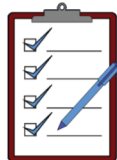
# Badge Process



**IDENTIFY**



**BUILD**



**ASSESS**



**PROVE**



**SHARE**

# Badges Overview

## **Alignment**

- Program Learning Objectives
- Course Learning Objectives
- Industry Core Competencies

## **Provide supporting content**

Videos, activities, and articles

## **Define Criteria**

Example “Perform tests to IEC60601 standards”

## **Provide Recommended Assessment**

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# Medical Device Repair

**Credits 24 Credit Hours**

**Time to complete ~1 year**



# Medical Device Design and Manufacturing

**Credits – 27 credit hours**  
**Time to complete ~1 year**



# Medical Device Networking and Cybersecurity

**Credits – 27 credit hours**  
**Time to complete ~1 year**



# Overall Structure

## 4 Year Degrees

### A.S. ~2 year



### Advanced ~1 year



### Entry ~1 year



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# Questions?

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