

SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY

The Surgical Technology Program accepts students during the Fall Semester and Spring Semester. New students who have an acceptable number of general course requirements, may be accepted at the beginning of the Spring Semester and have their second semester of clinical in the summer. Therefore, the student is able to complete the clinical requirements in four consecutive semesters. The Program is fully accredited by The Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP). Graduates may sit for the national certification exam to become Certified Surgical Technologists (CST). Those with further advancement are eligible to establish the requirements to sit for the Surgical First Assistant Exam and become CST/CFA.

Upon successful completion of the program, the surgical technologist is prepared to function efficiently, by assisting the surgeon during surgical procedures, as well as working closely with other members of the surgical team. Although surgical technologists operate primarily in surgical settings, they also function in a variety of areas where aseptic/sterile techniques are of vital importance, as well as environments where expert knowledge of surgical and biomedical tools and equipment is essential.

Areas of employment include, but are not limited to, surgery departments, central supply management, trauma centers, labor and delivery, teaching, as well as medical equipment sales. Many surgical technologists, with further training, progress to become surgical first assistants.

The Program courses in the Surgical Technology curriculum are designed to meet the guidelines of the core curriculum for Surgical Technology set by the Association of Surgical Technologists (AST).

Admission Requirements Include:

- The general admission criteria for the University
- An application for admission to the Surgical Technology Program
- All college transcripts
- Completion of the prescribed developmental courses
- An interview with the Surgical Technology Department
- Admission to The Surgical Technology Program is based upon the successful completion of the following prerequisite courses with a C or better

FROR 110or 111	Freshman Seminar	1
CMPS 101	Computer Concepts	3
ENGL 110	Freshman English	3
ALLH 210	Medical Term	3 or registration in the course during the 1 st semester

Transfer Students:

1. Certificate and diploma graduates from an accredited institution will need to:
 - a. Satisfy the general university course requirements for the Associate of Science in Surgical Technology degree
 - b. Take SURG 232 and SURG 260
2. Graduates from a certificate or diploma program who are nationally certified (CST) will need to provide:
 - a. Proof of current national certification
 - b. Satisfy the general university course requirements for the Associate of Science in Surgical Technology degree.
 - c. Take SURG 232 and SURG 260 if national certification is not current

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FIRST SEMESTER				SECOND SEMESTER			
	No.	Course	Cr.		No.	Course	Cr.
SURG	106	Intro to Surgical Tech. (Lec. & Lab)	3	ENGL	111	English	3
SURG	108	Practicum I	6	SURG	116	Surgical Techniques (Lec. & Lab)	3
BIOL	220	Anat. & Phy. I Lec & Lab	4	SURG	118	Practicum II	6
SPCH	131	Speech Elective	3	BIOL	222	Anatomy/Physiology Lec & Lab	4
TOTAL			16	TOTAL			16

SECOND SUMMER SESSION			
	No.	Course	Cr.
SURG	124	Basic Patient Care	3
		Humanities Elective (Literature, Foreign Lang., Phil., etc.)	3
MATH	127	Allied Health Math	3
TOTAL			9

THIRD SEMESTER				FOURTH SEMESTER			
	No.	Course	Cr.		No.	Course	Cr.
SURG	220	Surgical Procedures I	3	SURG	240	Surgical Procedures II	4
SURG	230	Practicum III	6	SURG	250	Practicum IV	6
		Behav. Science Elective	3	SURG	260	Personal & Prof. Develop.	2
MATH	130	Adv. College Algebra	3	FIAR	Elective	(Music, Dance, Theater, Art, etc)	3
SURG	232	National Exam Review	1				
TOTAL			16	TOTAL			15

TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 72