

# Surgical Technology

### **SEWARD COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

Surgical Technologists are allied health professionals who are an integral part of the team of medical practitioners providing surgical care to patients. The profession of surgical technology has grown to meet the continuing demand for well-educated, highly skilled, and versatile individuals who work with the surgeon and other professionals to deliver the highest possible level of patient care. The surgical technologist possesses expertise in the theory and application of aseptic technique and combines the knowledge of human anatomy, surgical procedures, instrumentation and technologies to facilitate a physician's performance of invasive therapeutic and diagnostic procedures.

#### **Career Opportunities**

Employment of surgical technologists is expected to grow faster than average for all occupations through the year 2020. Most surgical technologists are employed in operating rooms; however, they also work in delivery wards, clinics, surgery centers, and offices of physicians and dentists who perform outpatient surgery. A few, known as private scrubs, are employed directly by surgeons.

#### **Degree Options**

Seward County Community College offers a two-year Associate in Applied Science degree in the surgical technology field.

#### Advising

Your SCCC Surgical Technology department advisor will help you plan your course of study and outline the specific requirements for completion of a certificate or degree program. You need to contact the Admissions Office to visit the campus and meet with an advisor at the time of your visit.

#### **Facilities**

SCCC Surgical Technology program located in Colvin Family Center for Allied Health – 1801 N Kansas Ave., Liberal, KS 67901, provides surgical technology classroom, faculty offices, and skills lab to develop the necessary competencies needed to provide patient care. Computer laboratories throughout campus provide state-of-the-art technology for student use and internet access.

#### **Format**

The format of the program is online and on campus. All surgical technology core classes have the lecture material via an online course management system. All labs and clinical will be held at the on-site lab and various local clinical sites.

#### **Admissions Procedures**

- Apply to SCCC and pick up a Surgical packet at the Allied Health Building.
- Obtain three references.
- Submit official high school transcript or GED scores. (if not already enrolled with SCCC)
- Submit official college transcript(s), if applicable. (if not already enrolled with SCCC)
- Schedule an interview with the Financial Aid Director.
- Once packet is completed, a Surgical Technology faculty member will schedule and interview.
- Wait for a letter from the Allied Health Admission Committee regarding status of application.

Applicants should apply beginning Nov 1. SCCC accepts a class annually, with classes beginning each August. Selection criteria and procedures for the Surgical Technology program are available to all prospective applicants. Applications are accepted until May 1.

#### Accreditation

The Surgical Technology program is accredited by the:

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs 9355 – 113<sup>th</sup> St. N, # 7709 Seminole, Florida 33775 Ph: 727-210-2350

Fax: 727-210-2350 Fax: 727-210-2354 http://www.CAAHEP.org ARC STSA

19751 East Mainstreet, Suite #339

Parker, CO 80138 Phone: 303-694-9262 Fax: 303-741-3655 http://www.arcstsa.org

The information enclosed in this form may be changed or modified at any time to correspond to decisions of the SCCC Board of Trustees, local, state or federal requirements. This information should not be construed as being contractual in nature.

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## Degree Requirements

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Type of Award:

Associate of Applied Science in Surgical Technology

#### **Prerequisite Requirements**

#### **GENERAL EDUCATION**

FALL	Credit Hours
EG1103 English Composition I	3
BI2115 Human Anatomy with Lab	5
ST1004 Introduction to Surgical Technology	4
*Elective	3
SPRING	
EG1113 English Composition II or SP1203 Public Speaking	3
BI	4
BI2705 Microbiology with Lab	5
HI1023 Medical Terminology	3
*Elective	3
FIRST YEAR TOTAL	32
Electives (6 credit hours total) must be from at least 2 of the following disciplines: Mathematics, Humanities, Social and Behavioral Science.	
Program Courses	
FALL SEMESTER	
ST1124 Surgical Procedures I	
ST1015 Principles and Practices of Surgical Technology	
ST1013 Surgical Technology Lab	4
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SPRING SEMESTER	3
ST1125 Surgical Procedures II	
ST1126 Surgical Technology Clinical I	
ST1303 Pharmacology for the Surgical Technologist	5
	6
SUMMER SEMESTER	3
ST1127 Surgical Technology Clinical II	
ST1111 ST Certification Review	7
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SECOND YEAR TOTAL	1
SECOND TEAR TOTAL	
All general education courses and program courses must be completed with a minimum letter grade of "C" in order to be considered for admission into the Surgical Technology Program. Failure to achieve at least a "C" in program course will cause a student to be ineligible to continue with the	34

<sup>\*</sup>General education courses must be taken prior to admission to the Surgical Technology program

#### **Clinical Case Requirements**

The total number of cases the student must complete is 120. Students are required to complete a minimum of 30 cases in General Surgery. 20 of these cases must be in the First Scrub Role. Students are required to complete a minimum of 90 cases in various surgical specialties. 60 of the cases must be in the First Scrub Role and evenly distributed between a minimum of 4 surgical specialties. However, 15 is the maximum number of cases that can be counted in any one surgical specialty. 10 diagnostic endoscopic cases and 5 vaginal delivery cases can be counted toward the maximum number of Second Scrub Role cases. Observation cases must be documented, but do not count towards the 120 required cases.

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#### **CST Exam Requirement**

Students successfully completing the course requirements for the AAS Surgical Technology program will take the National Certifying Examination for Surgical Technologists and will be required to provide an approved photo ID with signature such as a valid driver's license, valid passport or military ID card, or government-issued identification card.

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<sup>\*</sup>ST1004 is additionally open for enrollment in the spring and summer semester.