# **Surgical Technology**

### **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

In this program, the student will develop the knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary to practice as a certified surgical technologist by acquiring the following fundamental capabilities:

- Utilize appropriate medical terminology
- Apply a basic understanding of human physiology and surgical anatomy in the perioperative role of a surgical technologist
- Demonstrate a basic understanding of the concepts of pharmacology
- Demonstrate theoretical and practical proficiency in surgical aseptic technique, surgical procedures and patient care
- Identify and assume appropriate responsibility for patient care

Prior to completing the program, students will take the national boards for the Certification in Surgical Technology. The Surgical Technology program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Programs (CAAHEP), www.caahep.org.

#### **KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

Graduates of the Surgical Technology program will function at an entry-level position as a Surgical Technologist with the following skills:

- Use appropriate instrumentation and procedural steps in general surgery, obstetrics-gynecology, genitourinary, otolaryngology, eye, plastic and reconstructive, neurosurgery, vascular, cardiovascular-thoracic, and orthopedic surgical areas
- Apply a basic understanding of human physiology and surgical anatomy in the preoperative role of a surgical technologist
- Use appropriate aseptic techniques in surgery
- Utilize appropriate medical terminology
- Make basic measurements for dosage and drug calculations
- Use safe handling procedures for drugs, and solutions

#### **CRIMINAL BACKGROUND SCREENING**

Individuals offered admission to the Surgical Technology program will be required to submit to a national criminal background screening, at a minimum cost of \$75 (may be higher), within 30 days of acceptance. Applicants who have engaged in any activity or behavior which may be considered abuse, neglect or exploitation of a minor or of an incapacitated or dependent adult, or who has been convicted of any crime involving fraud or dishonesty, or drugs, or for which imprisonment of one year or more has been imposed are urged to seek clarification regarding program completion requirements from the Director of Admissions.

#### PREREQUISITES

**AAS Degree:** high school level Algebra I and either Biology with Lab <u>or</u> Chemistry with Lab required.

# Applications for the fall 2018 Surgical Technology program will be accepted from September 1, 2017, through February 1, 2018. Applicants will have until March 1, 2018, to complete their application by submitting supporting documentation.

Candidates who have completed application requirements and have met all program prerequisites will be invited to attend an information session with faculty. Attendance at a session is required prior to receiving a decision.

Questions about this highly competitive program should be directed to Stacy Green, Director of Admissions, at 207-974-4679 or sgreen@emcc.edu.







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### SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY Associate in Applied Science Degree

FIRST SEMESTER		CREDITS
BIO 121	Anatomy & Physiology I	3
BIO 124	Anatomy & Physiology I Laboratory	1
ENG 101	College Composition	3
PSY 101	Introduction to Psychology	3
Restricted		
Elective	Any Communications (100 level or higher)	3
Restricted		
Elective	Any Humanities/Social Science (100 level or higher)	3
SECOND SEMESTER CREDITS		
BIO 122	Anatomy & Physiology II	3
BIO 126	Anatomy & Physiology II Laboratory	1
MRT 131	Medical Terminology	1
SUR 105	Introduction to Surgical Technology	7
SUR 117	Pharmacology for Surgical Technologists (online cours	
THIRD SEMESTER (SUMMER) CREDITS		
BIO 216	General Microbiology	4
SUR 114	Surgical Technology I	15
		CREDITS
SUR 123	Surgical Technology II	16
TOTAL AAS DEGREE CREDITS 65		

#### PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

The Surgical Technologist must be able to do the following:

- Stand, bend, stoop, and/or sit for long periods of time in one location with minimum/no breaks.
- Lift a minimum of 20 pounds.
- Refrain from nourishment or rest room breaks for periods up to 6 hours.
- Demonstrate sufficient visual ability to load a fine (10-0) suture onto needles & needle holders with/without corrective lenses & while wearing safety glasses.
- Demonstrate sufficient peripheral vision to anticipate and function while in the sterile surgical environment.
- Hear and understand muffled communication without visualization of the communicator's mouth/lips and within 20 feet.
- Hear activation/warning signals on equipment.
- Detect odors sufficient to maintain environmental safety and patient needs.
- Manipulate instruments, supplies, and equipment with speed, dexterity, and good eye-hand coordination.
- Ambulate/move around without assistive devices.
- Assist with and/or lift, move, position and manipulate, with or without assistive devices, the patient who is unconscious.
- Communicate and understand fluent English both verbally and in writing.
- Be free of reportable communicable diseases and chemical abuse.
- Demonstrate immunity to rubella, rubeola, tuberculosis, and hepatitis B, or be vaccinated against these diseases, or be willing to sign a waiver of release of liability with regard to these diseases.
- Possess short- & long-term memory sufficient to perform tasks such as, but not limited to, mentally tracking surgical supplies & performing anticipation skills intraoperatively.
- Make appropriate judgment decisions.
- Demonstrate the use of positive coping skills under stress. •
- Demonstrate calm & effective responses, especially in emergency situations.
- Exhibit positive interpersonal skills in patient, staff, and faculty interactions.

Individuals enrolled in the Surgical Technology program at EMCC will be exposed to latex during clinical rotations. The clinical sites cannot be completely latex-free. If you have a known or suspected latex allergy, you are urged to contact the Clinical Coordinator before pursuing Surgical Technology as a career.

# **DID YOU KNOW?**

**EMCC** provides campus housing for over 260 students.



**EMCC's Student Success Center** offers tutoring services free of charge to our students.

#### **EMCC's Athletic Department**



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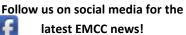
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