

2024 Entry

Surgical Technology

Admission Requirement Booklet



SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Surgical technologists are allied health professionals, who are an integral part of the team of medical practitioners providing surgical care to patients. Surgical technologists work under the supervision and delegatory authority of a surgeon to facilitate the safe and effective conduct of invasive and non-invasive surgical procedures, ensuring that the operating room environment is safe, that equipment functions properly, and that the operative procedure is conducted under conditions that maximize patient safety. Surgical technologists are experts in the theory and application of the principles of asepsis and sterile technique to combine the knowledge of human anatomy, surgical procedures, and implementation and tools and technologies to facilitate a physician's performance of invasive therapeutic and diagnostic procedures.

The SPCC Surgical Technology program is an associate degree earning health program. The program courses required for completion of this degree require 17 months of continuous progression. Students are expected to **continuously** acquire knowledge and understanding related to surgical technology including: knowledge of human anatomy, surgical procedures, implementation and tools, and technologies to facilitate a physician's surgical performance. Students are expected to become an expert on the principles of asepsis and a practitioner of sterile technique. Students will develop skills related to patient care, communication, interpersonal relations, critical thinking, and aseptic technique.

Evaluation of the student's performance will be based on assessments covering all phases of course content and simulation skills, evaluation of clinical performance, and evaluation of student's demonstration of the AST's core curriculum in their practice.

Students in this program are required to take the national certification examination administered by The National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (NBSTSA); students with passing scores will acquire the credential of Certified Surgical Technologist (CST). SPCC Surgical Technology students must take the certifying exam when scheduled by the Program Director in order fulfill requirements for graduation.

Employment opportunities for program graduates include traditional hospital-based operating rooms, ambulatory surgery centers, surgeons' offices or clinics, and labor and delivery units.

ADMISSION POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Admission to the College does not guarantee immediate acceptance to the curriculum program desired by the applicant. Applicants interested in pursuing a program of study/major **MUST** complete the General Admission Process prior to first-time enrollment.

During the General Admission Process, any previous student transcripts are submitted for review. SPCC's procedures for the acceptance of transfer credit are located in the College's Catalog and Student Handbook.

SPCC's Health Programs are designated as selective admission programs. Factors for admission include, but are not limited to: clinical space availability, instructor-to-student ratios specified by the applicable accrediting/approving agencies and/or other limited instructional resources. In addition, Health Programs have additional enrollment criteria in addition to the General Admission process.

Applicants of the Surgical Technology Program are evaluated based upon academic performance and academic degrees currently held. Applicants must submit all required documentation by deadlines detailed in the admission booklet to be considered for admission.

- Applicants must attend a Surgical Technology information session and complete the accompanying quiz.
- Applicants must have completed all prerequisite courses, BIO 168, BIO 169, and BIO 275 with a "B" average (3.0 GPA) or higher.
- Applicants must have scored at least a 65% on the ATI TEAS test and submitted documentation that scores were obtained within two years' time of the application submission.
- Completed and signed Surgical Technology Program application.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION PROCESS

The Department of Surgical Technology will conduct a single round selection process for applicants during the fall term prior to the provisional acceptance and the spring enrollment period. The department does not maintain a waiting list. Late applicant submissions will only be considered if the program's capacity has not reached 100% (ten (10) students); these applications will be considered on a first come first served basis. Applicants initiating admission requirements after the deadline may be required to resubmit an application packet for consideration during a subsequent year.

APPLICATION REVIEW PROCESS

Admissions and Surgical Technology Faculty will review the achievement potential of each applicant. During the candidate review process previous scholastic records and pre-entrance examination scores are examined to determine an applicant's preparation to meet the academic demands of the curriculum and related program expectations. A point selection process will be used to rank applicants for provisional acceptance into the program. The top ten (10) scorers will be offered provisional acceptance into the Surgical Technology Program.

NOTIFICATION PROCESS

Letters of notification will be sent out within three (3) weeks of the application deadline. Applicants will be notified by mail and school email of the provisional acceptance or denial by the Surgical Technology Program Director.

READMISSION INTO THE SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

Reapplication is required for all Surgical Technology applicants that have withdrawn from the program or been dismissed for any reason. Readmission is not guaranteed and is contingent upon available space in the program. The guidelines for the admissions process for health programs as described in the SPCC catalog sections "Admissions for Allied Health and Nursing Programs" must be followed. If you have been suspended for academic reasons, you must consult and gain approval from the Dean of Health and Public Safety. If you have been suspended for disciplinary reasons, you must consult and gain approval from the Vice President of Student Services. Any readmitted students must meet all the program requirements as outlined in the Surgical Technology Student Handbook.

PROVISIONAL ACCEPTANCE

Applicants offered provisional acceptance must fulfill ALL admission and clinical facility requirements by the deadlines specified. If the provisionally accepted student fails to meet one or any part of a requirement, the student may be declined admission into the Surgical Technology Program and may not be considered for admission in subsequent years. All applicants are required to attend a mandatory orientation session hosted by Surgical Technology faculty to provide additional information and requirements for the program. Failure to attend orientation is an indication to the Program Director that the student has declined the provisional acceptance and may result in a forfeiture of their reserved program placement.

SCREENINGS

There are significant health-screening requirements that must be met before entering the clinical area. Each student is required to meet vaccination, titer, physical exam, and background/drug screening requirements and **MUST** provide all documentation and health screening information to the Program Director. Students must be prepared to provide copies of printed clinical compliance requirements to clinical sites at any time during the program.

Clinical facilities require recent criminal background checks and panel urine drug screening prior to a student entering the facility for a clinical experience. A designated clinical facility representative will review the results and notify the Surgical Technology Program Director if an applicant is permitted, or not permitted, to participate in a clinical experience at their clinical site. If, due to the results of the screening, any clinical site refuses to allow a student access to their clinical site experience, the student will be dismissed from the program.

PHYSICAL EXAM

Students must complete a physical medical exam with a medical provider, documentation of this exam is due to the program director no later than January 5, 2024. Medical form will be distributed at mandatory orientation session.

BACKGROUND CHECK

In order to be eligible to participate in placement(s) at clinical facilities, Surgical Technology students **MUST** use the approved vendor (CastleBranch) to complete criminal background checks, details are provided after provisional acceptance. The background check *is* a requirement for full acceptance to the program. The background check will **NOT** be reviewed by SPCC faculty or staff.

Students must be prepared to provide printed background report results to their clinical site at any time during their enrollment in the program. Students have one opportunity per enrollment cycle for the selected program to conduct a criminal background check in accordance with the College's policies and procedures and with whom the College has contracted to provide its students' clinical training and experience.

Background investigations will, at the minimum include the following:

- Social Security Number Verification
- Criminal History Search (3 counties, 7 years or up to five background searches)
- Sex Offender and Predator Registry Search
- Office of Inspector General (Health and Human Services) Sanction List Search
- General Services Administration Excluded Search
- Address Verification
- Two Name Searches (current legal and one other name)

DRUG SCREEN

In order to be eligible to participate in placement(s) at clinical facilities, Surgical Technology students **MUST** use the approved vendor to complete the drug screen protocol, details are provided after provisional acceptance. The drug screen *is* a requirement for full acceptance to the program. The drug screen will **NOT** be reviewed by SPCC staff or faculty.

Students must be prepared to provide printed drug screen report results to their clinical facility at any time during their enrollment in the program. Students have one opportunity per enrollment cycle for the selected program to conduct a

drug screen in accordance with the College's policies and procedures and with whom the College has contracted to provide its students' clinical training and experience.

IMMUNIZATIONS

In order to be eligible to participate in placement(s) at clinical facilities, Surgical Technology students **MUST** provide documentation of immunizations. The submission of documentation *is* a requirement for full acceptance to the program. Documentation for the following immunizations, or positive titers, must be submitted to the Program Director:

- T-Dap
- Tetanus
- Hepatitis B
- MMR
- Rubella
- Varicella
- Influenza

CPR

The American Heart Association must certify students in Basic Life Support for Health Care Providers. Proof of certification (copy of front and back of card) must be turned in by January 5, 2024. This certification must be current, according to the expiration date on the card, and maintained throughout the program. It is the student's responsibility to complete CPR certification. Students are **NOT** be permitted in the clinical area without current certification. The submission of documentation *is* a requirement for full acceptance to the program.

Applications for submission require signing the acknowledgement documents that describe the program's **full acceptance** requirements. These documents are attached to the Surgical Technology Program Application.

TECHNICAL STANDARDS

TECHNICAL STANDARD	DEFINITION	EXAMPLE
Critical Thinking	Ability to analyze, synthesize, apply, conceptualize, and/or evaluate information to make a judgement. The student will possess critical thinking ability sufficient for clinical and class judgement.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify cause and effect relationships in clinical situations. Anticipate additional needs of the surgeon while in a surgical procedure. Identify and rectify any breaks in aseptic technique.
Ethical Behavior	Demonstration of honesty, fairness, trustworthiness, and a consistent value system. Provide services with respect for human dignity.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Care equally for all patients regardless of race, gender, religion, or socioeconomic status.
Legal Behavior	Compliance with established rules, regulations, and laws. The student will comply with all healthcare facility rules, regulations, and protocols.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide care within your scope of practice as a surgical technologist. Abide by the national HIPAA regulations.
Interpersonal Skills	Traits required to interact and communicate effectively with others. The student will possess interpersonal abilities sufficient to interact with individuals, families, groups, etc. from a variety of psychosocial cultural backgrounds.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive constructive criticism and accept it as a part of the learning process. Establish rapport with patients and healthcare team members in a professional, courteous manner.
Communication Skills	The ability to express information to others, regardless of language or physical barriers. The student will possess communication abilities sufficient for verbal and nonverbal interaction with others.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss surgical procedures with peers, healthcare staff, or patients. Relay needs to the circulator during a surgical procedure. Provide report to healthcare workers regarding patient care.
Mobility and Weight Bearing	The ability to move freely, physical strength. The student will possess physical abilities sufficient to participate in the clinical and lab setting.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maneuver in small spaces. Stand or sit for extended periods of time. Push/pull patients. Push/pull large equipment. Lift/manipulate/move 40-50 lbs. Lift instrument trays. Don PPE, gown and glove others.
Motor Skills	Ability to manage the body's movements. The student will possess gross and fine motor skills sufficient to execute movements, duties, and tasks required.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assemble and pass instrumentation. Load fine needled suture. Perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation compressions. Work under a microscope.
Hearing Skills	Ability to perceive sounds. The student will possess auditory ability sufficient to monitor needs and collect data.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand muffled conversation. Identify equipment sounds for activation or malfunction. Identify changes in sound to patient monitoring equipment.
Visual Skills	Ability to think and analyze what you have seen. The student will possess visual ability sufficient for observation and data collection.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visualize fine gauge suture and micro needles. Identify and handle microsurgery instruments. Visualize and identify types of human tissue. Operate the endoscope for surgeon visualization.
Tactile Skills	Ability to discern information involving the sense of touch. The student will possess tactile ability sufficient to master eye-to-hand coordination.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assemble and pass instrumentation. Load suture needles. Load orthopedic devices. Manual dexterity.
Occupational Risks	An injury or illness more likely to occur as a result of the workplace environment. There are mechanical, chemical, electrical and infectious materials hazards in the operating room.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exposure to blood borne pathogens through sharps injuries. Exposure to formalin with surgical specimens. Exposure to sterilization chemicals. Exposure to lasers, cautery, and electricity.

It is a requirement of the Surgical Technology program application to sign and date acknowledgement of these technical standards. It is understood that the applicant possesses the necessary physical and mental abilities to perform the technical standard requirements of a surgical technologist. A copy of these standards is attached to sign, date, and submit with your application. If a student is capable of meeting these standards, but with *reasonable accommodations*, they should indicate that on their application. The student will then be required to submit a written letter detailing the necessary accommodations and submit them to the Surgical Technology Program Director by October 20, 2023. The Program Director, Allied Health and Public Services Administration, and the Student Advocacy and Accountability Director will meet to discuss the requested accommodations and determine if they are feasible in regards to the requirements set forth by the clinical affiliates.

DISCLOSURES

- Courses for this program are held on the Old Charlotte Highway Campus in Monroe.
- Students may travel up to a 50 mile radius from OCH Campus on some clinical days.
- Clinical experiences are assigned at the discretion of the Program Director and will be scheduled Mondays through Fridays at a variety of clinical sites; students are required to be flexible on clinical scheduling and may not request specific schedules. Assignments are subject to change within 12 hours' notice based on scheduled procedures at each healthcare facility. Students will be notified of changes by communication through their school email account.
- Accepted applicants are required to complete a criminal background check and a drug screen, which will be arranged by the College. Costs are the responsibility of the student. IF, based on the criminal background check and drug screen results, any hospital or clinical facility where onsite training is conducted denies you access to their facility, resulting in your inability to complete the clinical experience, you will be dismissed from the program. Inability to complete the clinical training, renders you unable to progress in the program; resulting in dismissal.
- Accepted applicants must show proof of current AHA Health Care Provider BLS certification no later than January 5, 2024, this certification must be kept active throughout the program.
- By accepting a seat in any SPCC Health Program, you forfeit your place on any alternate list for any other program.

Deferred Action Childhood Arrival (DACA) and Undocumented Student Notice

NCCCS policy allows DACA and undocumented applicants to enroll at SPCC at the out of state tuition rate. Acceptance to the college does not guarantee acceptance to a specific program. DACA students are eligible to apply to any Allied Health/Nursing programs. Undocumented students are not eligible for consideration in the application process to Allied Health or Nursing programs.

The National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (NBSTSA) has determined which forms of identification are acceptable in order to sit for the national certifying exam. Two forms of identification are required at the time of admission to the exam. Acceptable forms of primary photographic identification are state issued identification card, driver's license, passport, or military ID card. Acceptable forms of secondary identification are social security card, passport, student ID card, or employment ID card. Social security card, employment ID card, and student ID card are **NOT** acceptable forms of primary identification. **NO** forms of temporary identification are acceptable.

This information is subject to change without notice based upon federal and state regulations.

Disability Services

Students who need accommodations due to disabilities, chronic medical conditions, or pregnancy complications resulting in difficulties with accessing learning opportunities should contact Disability Services at counselors@spcc.edu or 704-290-5844 and apply for accommodation. Students can find more information on Disability Services at

<https://spcc.edu/student-resources/disability-services/>. Instructors have made efforts to ensure online and other information technology learning materials meet accessibility standards for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance. If a learning object in a course does not meet these specifications, please contact the instructor.

Surgical Technology Admission Process

Application deadline is October 20, 2023 at 3:00 pm

Surgical Technology is a limited admission program beginning in the spring semester 2024. The Surgical Technology program takes 17 months to complete once accepted into the program. Graduates of the Surgical Technology program will earn an Associates of Applied Science Degree.

All applicants must complete Phase I and Phase II listed below and schedule a Phase II review meeting with Admissions in order to submit the Surgical Technology Program Application by the deadline. Applicants are ranked based on points and the top ten (10) will be admitted to the program. If the ten (10) spots are not filled by the deadline, applications may be accepted on a rolling basis at the discretion of the Program Director. Applicants not admitted and seeking admission for a second time, or applicants seeking readmission, must ensure that all Phase I and Phase II criteria are still valid and will need to attend a **new** Phase II meeting. A new application must be submitted.

Phase I: Complete your SPCC Admissions File

- Complete the SPCC **Application for Admissions**. This must be within last year or general education course taken at SPCC within last year.
- Submit **official high school transcripts** (or adult high school/high school equivalent transcript).
Not required if applicant submits transcripts showing completion of a Bachelor's degree or higher.
- Submit **official college transcripts** for all colleges listed on your application.
All transcripts are required even if courses will not apply to this program. All transcript evaluations must be completed prior to your Phase II review.
- Once all transcripts have been processed, you will be notified if **Placement Test** is required.

During the General Admission Process, any previous student transcripts are submitted for review. See SPCC's procedures for the acceptance of transfer credit in the College's Catalog and Student Handbook.

Phase II: Surgical Technology Program Requirements

- Attend an information session and complete the accompanying quiz within the admission year for which you are applying. The information session video is available on the Surgical Technology web page.
- BIO 168, BIO 169, and BIO 275** are required for admittance into the Surgical Technology Program. *It is strongly suggested to complete all general education courses prior to beginning the program. The program courses and clinical experience hours will be a demanding load and only offered during set daytime hours. Class and lab times run from 0800-1600, and clinical hours may start as early as 0630. Schedules will vary throughout the program and students must be available Monday through Friday.*

- Earn a grade of **“B” or higher (3.0 GPA) in the above-mentioned courses.**
- Take the **ATI TEAS test** and score at least 65%; test must be taken within two years of applying.
- Complete and sign** all parts of the program application, incomplete applications will not be considered for the Surgical Technology Program.

Recommended Actions:

Students may earn extra points on their application by completing the following items before applying to the program. While these items are not required for application submission and *provisional* acceptance into the Surgical Technology Program, they must be completed to participate in and graduate from the program and SPCC.

- Basic Life Support certification through the American Heart Association; must be active.
- Completion of general education courses and MED 121 that are required for graduation and attainment of Associate of Applied Science in Surgical Technology degree.

Phase II Review

- I have **completed all requirements in Phase I and II.**
- All my **current college transcripts are on file and have been evaluated** for transfer credit.
- I have **completed all prerequisite coursework with a “B” or higher (3.0 GPA).**
- I have **signed and completed** the Surgical Technology Program application.
- I have **documentation** for:
 - Completed Phase II application.
 - ATI TEAS with a score of at least 65% obtained within two (2) years of deadline.
 - Copy of all unofficial college transcripts.
 - Copy of BLS certification (front and back, must be active) if submitting it for points.

Above documentation must be legible, have student name and date of completion.

Once all items have been completed and documentation has been collected, make an appointment with Admissions for the Phase II review. Students will submit the Surgical Technology Program Application at that meeting. Students must have all the items above in order to complete the application process successfully and be considered for entry to the program.

Do NOT bring official transcripts to the Phase II application review meeting as the reviewers do not complete transcript evaluations. Official transcripts from all colleges must be submitted 7-14 business days prior to coming in for the Phase II review to be evaluated for transfer credit.

All official college transcripts must be submitted to your student file with South Piedmont Community College no later than the first start day of the program.

Point System

The following table shows the designated point values for TEAS test score, completion of the required prerequisites, completion of general coursework for graduation, and potential bonus points for holding an active BLS certification.

Points Item	Criteria	Score/Points
Overall TEAS Score	Total Points Earned	
BIO 168	A=15, B=10	
BIO 169	A=20, B=15	
BIO 275	A=30, B=25	
<i>MED 121</i>	A=15, B=10	
<i>ENG 111</i>	A=3, B=1	
<i>COM 110/120/231</i>	A=3, B=1	
<i>PSY 150/SOC 210</i>	A=3, B=1	
<i>ACA 122</i>	A=3, B=1	
<i>AHA BLS</i>	10	
Total Points:		

To receive points, you must attach a legible document with your personal identifiers and date of completion for each item above proving points earned.

- TEAS:** ATI TEAS score report from ATI student portal.
- Coursework:** Image of transcript or student portal showing students name, course name, and grade must be provided for each course completed.
- AHA BLS:** Documentation of current Basic Life Support certification from the American Heart Association will earn the applicant an additional 10 points. Photocopy or digital card is acceptable, include front and back; certification must be current to earn points.

GPA Calculation Information for Required Prerequisite Courses

A=4.0, B=3.0, C=2.0, D=1.0, F=0

GPA Calculation Chart						
Course	Letter Grade	Grade Value		Credit Hours		Quality Points
BIO 168			X		=	
BIO 169			X		=	
BIO 275			X		=	
TOTALS						
GPA=Total Quality Points/Total Credit Hours			GPA:			

Provisional Program Acceptance Deadlines for Full Acceptance

A point selection process will be used to rank applicants for provisional acceptance into the program. The top ten (10) scorers will be offered provisional acceptance.

If offered provisional acceptance into the Surgical Technology Program, students must complete the tasks previously described in the Admission Requirement Booklet and Surgical Technology Program Handbook and provide supporting documentation. Full acceptance into the Surgical Technology Program is contingent based upon completion and submission of documentation to the Program Director by the required deadlines. Failure to complete these tasks by the required deadlines may forfeit the student's reserved spot in the program. Students must reapply if they wish to seek acceptance for the next program offering.

Requirement	Description	Dates
Medical Screen	A complete medical/health screen by a licensed provider is required. The screen includes but not limited to:	01/05/24
	a. Two (2) separate PPDs: Proof of Negative Tuberculin (Tb) skin testing or follow-up chest X-ray within 3 months of enrollment.	NO LATER THAN 03/01/24
	b. Immunizations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>T-dap</u>, tetanus vaccines, Hepatitis B series, MMR, Rubella, Varicella series or positive titer (required) ▪ Influenza, required by clinical affiliate 	01/05/24
Criminal Background Check and Drug Screen:	Clinical agencies require a criminal background check and 12 panel urine drug screen prior to clinical experiences. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. If results of a criminal background check and urine drug screen prevent a student from participating in a clinical experience at any agency, then the student will not be able to fulfill the clinical requirements for the program, and subsequently will not be allowed to enroll/complete the Surgical Technology program. b. Testing is scheduled by the College once applicants have been provisionally accepted. However, fees associated with the criminal background check and drug screen will be the responsibility of the student. 	12/14/23
Healthcare-Provider CPR	Documentation of current/active American Heart Association - BLS Healthcare Provider CPR certification (including infant, child and adult certification).	01/05/24
Orientation	November 15, 2023 time TBD. Attendance is mandatory & required for full acceptance.	11/15/23

SPCC Surgical Technology Program Estimated Cost

This is an estimate of costs effective 06/20/2023. Fees are subject to change without notice.

General Tuition and Fees		
In-State		\$76.00/credit hour
Out-of-State		\$268.00/credit hour
Technology Fee		\$48.00/semester
Student Insurance		\$1.40/semester
Campus Parking Fee (CAPS)		\$15.00/semester
Student Activity Fee		\$35.00/semester
General Education Estimated Costs		
	In-State	Out-of-State
Tuition (based on 28 credit hours)	\$2,128.00	\$7,504.00
Textbooks	\$420.00	\$420.00
General Fees	\$217.00	\$217.00
	\$2,765.00	\$8,141.00
Pre-Orientation Estimated Costs		
Background & Drug Screen		\$115.00
American Heart Association BLS		\$60.00
		\$175.00
Spring Semester, 1 st year Estimated Costs		
Tuition	\$760.00	\$2,068.00
Textbooks	\$551.85	\$551.85
Uniforms	\$100.00	\$100.00
Lab Fee	\$150.00	\$150.00
General Fees	\$99.40	\$99.40
Spring Semester Total	\$1,661.25	\$2,969.25
Summer Session, 1 st year Estimated Costs		
Tuition	\$380.00	\$1,340.00
Textbooks	\$78.95	\$78.95
Lab Fee	\$150.00	\$150.00
Liability Insurance	\$13.00	\$13.00
Dosimetry Badge/Monitoring	\$200.00	\$200.00
Surgical Counts Subscription	\$39.95	\$39.95
General Fees	\$99.40	\$99.40
Summer Session Total	\$961.30	\$1,921.30
Fall Semester, 1 st year Estimated Costs		
Tuition	\$608.00	\$2,144.00
Lab Fees	\$150.00	\$150.00
Exam Prep Textbook	\$61.00	\$61.00
General Fees	\$99.40	\$99.40
Fall Semester Total	\$918.40	\$2,454.40
Spring Semester, 2 nd year Estimated Costs		
Tuition	\$1,064.00	\$3,752.00
AST Gold Bundle	\$247.00	\$247.00

General Fees	\$99.40	\$99.40
Graduation Fees	\$35.00	\$35.00
Spring Semester 2 Total	\$1,445.40	\$4,133.40
Estimated Total Cost		
	\$7,926.35	\$19,794.35

Curriculum Map - Spring Entry

Surgical Technology AAS (A45740) – 65 Credit Hours

General Education Requirements

Course	Lec	Lab	Crd	Course	Lec	Lab	Crd		
Communication: Take ENG 111 and pick one (1)				Fine Arts/Hum: Choose One (1) Course					
ENG 111	Writing and Inquiry	3	0	3	ART 111	Art Appreciation	3	0	3
COM 110	Intro to Communication	3	0	3	ART 114	Art History Survey I			
COM 120	Interpersonal Communication	3	0	3	ART 115	Art History Survey II			
COM 231	Public Speaking	3	0	3					
Social Sciences: Choose One (1) Course				Other Major Hours: Take All Courses					
PSY 150	General Psychology	3	0	3	ACA 122	College Transfer Success	1	0	1 *
SOC 210	Intro to Sociology	3	0	3	MED 121	Medical Terminology I	3	0	3 *
Natural Sciences/Math: Take All Courses									
BIO 168	Anatomy & Physiology I &	3	3	4					
BIO 169	Anatomy & Physiology II	3	3	4 *					
BIO 275	Microbiology	3	3	4 *					

Total 28 hours

* Major Requirements

Students are strongly encouraged to complete ALL General Education courses prior to beginning SUR courses.

Program of Study

Spring Semester – 1st Year

Course	Course Name	Lec	Lab/ Clinic	Credit
SUR 110	Intro to Surgical Technology	3	0/0	3
SUR 111	Perioperative Patient Care	5	6/0	7
Total				10

Spring Semester – 2nd Year (First 12 Weeks)

Course	Course Name	Lec	Lab/ Clinic	Credit
SUR 134	Surgical Procedures II	5	0/0	5
SUR 135	SUR Clinical Practice II	0	0/12	4
SUR 137	Professional Success Preparation	1	0/0	1
Total				10

Summer Session – 1st Year

Course	Course Name	Lec	Lab/ Clinic	Credit
SUR 122AB	Surgical Procedures I	2	1/0	2
SUR 123AB	SUR Clinical Practice I	0	0/9	3
Total				5

Spring Semester – 2nd Year (Last 4 Weeks)

Course	Course Name	Lec	Lab/ Clinic	Credit
SUR 210	Advanced SUR Clinical Practice	0	0/6	2
SUR 211	Advanced Theoretical Concepts	2	0/0	2
Total				4

Fall Semester – 1st Year

Course	Course Name	Lec	Lab/ Clinic	Credit
SUR 122BB	Surgical Procedures I	3	2/0	4
SUR 123BB	SUR Clinical Practice I	0	0/12	4
Total				8