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SOUTHEAST  
COMMUNITY  
COLLEGE  
NEBRASKA

# SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY

Associate of  
Applied Science  
Degree

LINCOLN CAMPUS AND ONLINE

[www.southeast.edu/SurgicalTech](http://www.southeast.edu/SurgicalTech)



*Surgical technologists are working in one of the fastest growing professions in the country. The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics projects that the profession will grow faster than the average of all other occupations through 2022, and it is anticipated that the volume of surgeries will increase exponentially due to the expanding senior population.*

## Surgical technologists work in a variety of settings:

- Hospital Operating Room
- Surgical Center
- Labor & Delivery Unit
- Specialty Center

## Types of jobs available

- Materials Management
- Tissue/Organ Procurement
- Private Scrub
- Sterile Processing Manager
- Medical Sales
- Traveling Surgical Technologist
- Clinical Instructor
- Program Director

## Program Overview

Students complete a comprehensive curriculum in sterile technique, instrumentation, surgical case management, surgical procedures, and professionalism. Supervised lab and clinical practice gives students experience in a variety of surgical specialties within live operating suites to complete their education.

The National Certification Examination will be administered before graduation. Upon verification of graduation from the program chair, each student passing the exam will receive the official certification certificate from the National Board of Surgical Technologists and Surgical Assistants. The exam is administered through Applied Measurement Professionals Inc.

This program is located on the Lincoln Campus and online. New program students are admitted every third term. Contact the College Admissions Office for entry dates.



This program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, [www.caahep.org](http://www.caahep.org), 25400 U.S. Highway 19 North, Suite 158, Clearwater, FL 33763, 727-210-2350.

## Graduate Earnings

According to the Emsi Q2 2018 Data Set, the starting wage for Surgical Technologists in Nebraska is \$17.48 per hour.

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## Admission Requirements:

1. Application to the program.
2. Submit program advising sheet showing completion of at least five of eight required courses and enrollment in the remaining three required courses with the required grade-point average.
3. Transcripts from high school, GED® or other colleges (if applicable).

## General Education Requirements:

One course required from each of the following areas:

Oral Communications	4.5
Composition I (ENGL1010) <b>or</b> Business Communication (ENGL1110)	
Written Communications	4.5
Fundamentals of Human Comm (SPCH1090) <b>or</b> Public Speaking (SPCH1110) <b>or</b> Business & Professional Comm (SPCH2810)	
Critical Thinking and Problem Solving	4.5
PSYC1250 or PSYC1810 or SOCI1010	
Sciences – (3 courses required)	18.0
Microbiology (Microbiology with lab) Human Anatomy with lab Human Physiology with lab	
(Human Anatomy & Physiology I, and Human Anatomy & Physiology II also work as a substitute for Human Anatomy and Human Physiology with lab courses).	31.5 hours
MEDA1101 Basic Medical Terminology	2.0
MEDA1407 Medical Calculations	1.0 3.0 hours

## Surgical Technology Core Courses:

Course #	Course title	Credit hrs
SURT1600	Orientation to Surgical Technology	2.0
SURT1601	Techniques in Surgical Asepsis	3.0
SURT1603	Fundamentals of Surgical Technology 1	5.0
SURT1604	Concepts of Surgical Procedures	2.0
SURT1701	Clinical Orientation	4.0
SURT1704	Surgical Procedures & Techniques 1	6.0
SURT1705	Principles of Surgical Technology	4.0
SURT1803	Fundamentals of Surgical Technology 2	2.0
SURT1804	Surgical Procedures & Techniques 2	5.0
SURT1810	Clinical Education I	8.0
SURT2904	Surgical Procedures & Techniques 3	5.0
SURT2907	Senior Seminar	2.0
SURT2909	Correlated Patient Study	2.5
SURT2910	Clinical Education 2	8.0
SURT2920	Advanced Clinical Specialties	5.0
SURT2930	Clinical Education 3	5.5
		69.0 hours

## Special Program Requirements:

1. All students must receive a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 in the general education courses and a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 in the science courses. Science courses include Anatomy, Physiology, and Microbiology. General education courses include oral communication, written communication, social science, and related courses required by the programs, such as Medical Terminology and Medical Calculations.
2. A current Basic Life Support (BLS) for the Health Care Provider (HCP) by the American Heart Association or CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer or Health Care Provider by the American Red Cross is required prior to the 2nd quarter of the program.
3. Submit completed Health Statement to the Health Sciences Division.
4. A Criminal Background Check will be required of each student in the first quarter of this program. Based on the background check, a student may be prevented from taking certain courses, accessing certain laboratory experiences, or completing the program. A non-refundable fee of \$45 will be assessed for this CBC. Misdemeanor or felony convictions may prevent a graduate from acquiring a state license.
5. Students admitted to a Health Sciences program at Southeast Community College requiring a clinical rotation at a contracted healthcare facility will submit to initial drug and alcohol testing prior to the first clinical rotation.
6. A two-step skin test for tuberculosis and/or a chest X-ray are required. Seasonal Flu immunization is required before entering clinical.
7. All SURT courses must be completed with a grade of 75% (C+) or higher to progress through the program.

## Estimated Expenses

Nebraska Resident tuition/fee rate is \$69.50 per credit hour. Out-of-state tuition/fee rate is \$83.50 per credit hour. Graduation fee is \$25.

Housing is available at Beatrice and Milford campuses only. Tuition, books and fees are dependent upon classes taken each quarter.

Students should plan a budget that includes room, meals, clothing, laundry, medical care, recreation and entertainment, transportation, insurance, etc.

### ON-CAMPUS & DISTANCE/IN-STATE

#### FIRST TWO QUARTERS

General Education Prerequisite Courses\*

#### THIRD QUARTER

Tuition And Fees:	\$799
Books:	439
Special Fee*:	80
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,318</b>

\*includes Criminal Background Check, Drug Test, Instrument Kit rental from Campus Store

#### FOURTH QUARTER

Tuition And Fees	\$834
Books	84
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$918</b>

#### FIFTH QUARTER

Tuition And Fees	\$973
Books	21
Special Fee	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$999</b>

#### SIXTH QUARTER

Tuition And Fees	\$1,043
Books	21
Special Fee	252
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,316</b>

#### SEVENTH QUARTER

Tuition And Fees	\$904
Special Fee	75
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$979</b>

**Total Estimate For Program**

**\$5,530**

### DISTANCE/OUT-OF-STATE

#### FIRST TWO QUARTERS

General Education Prerequisite Courses\* taken at the community college in your area.

#### THIRD QUARTER NON-RESIDENT

Tuition And Fees	\$961
Books	439
Special Fee	80
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,480</b>

#### FOURTH QUARTER NON-RESIDENT

Tuition And Fees	\$1,002
Books	84
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,086</b>

#### FIFTH QUARTER NON-RESIDENT

Tuition And Fees	\$1,169
Books	21
Special Fee	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,195</b>

#### SIXTH QUARTER NON-RESIDENT

Tuition And Fees	\$1,253
Books	21
Special Fees	252
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,526</b>

#### SEVENTH QUARTER NON-RESIDENT

Tuition And Fees	\$1,086
Special Fee	75
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,161</b>

**TOTAL ESTIMATE NON-RESIDENT**

**For Program \$6,448**

### ADDITIONAL RELATED EXPENSES

Good Athletic or Walking Shoes	\$50-100
Scrub Clothes (1-2 Sets)	\$50/Pair

\*Note: Prerequisite courses are not included

## Online/Distance Students:

The online component is designed to accommodate those students outside of the Lincoln area who are unable to commute to a Lincoln hospital for their clinical. Online students must live in the state of Nebraska to accommodate instructor visits.

Online students can work in conjunction with the community college in their area to complete the prerequisite, general education and other required courses.

To complete their education, online students are required to find a clinical site that is affiliated with SCC. Clinical sites should have a surgical schedule that will provide the variety and quantity of surgeries to complete their education.

Online students are required to travel to one of three distance lab sites (Norfolk, Kearney or North Platte.)

Labs are one evening each week for the first six months, and the final three quarters require two additional trips to Lincoln per quarter.

For Lincoln labs, you must contact the program chair to complete the lab portion.

