SCC's program has a reputation for producing highly skilled surgical technologists for nearly 50 years! Surgical technologists are surgical team members who prepare the operating room, hand instruments, assist the surgeon, and manage the instruments after surgery. Most of all, surgical technologists are rewarded daily knowing they have made a difference in a patient’s life.

**SCC is the Right Choice**

- After one semester of intense lab instruction, our students transition into the surgical environment and hand instruments to surgeons during live surgical procedures. This program provides 600 hours in a real clinical setting.
- Depending on surgical locations and specialties, students’ experience may include General, Cardiovascular, Orthopedic, Plastics, Gynecology, Urology, Eyes, ENT, Neurology and Pediatrics.
- The new Health Sciences building on the Lincoln Campus provides state-of-the-art lab facilities which include real surgical equipment and endoscopic simulation. This program is run by four full time instructors and five clinical adjunct instructors, making it the most staffed program in the country.
- The National Certification Exam will be administered through Applied Measurement Professionals Inc. before graduation. Upon verification of graduation from the program director, each student passing the exam will receive the official certification certificate from the National Board of Surgical Technologists and Surgical Assistants. SCC’s program has a 97% pass rate over the last five years. The national pass rate is currently 75.9%.

**More about the program**

- For your flexibility, we offer the program face-to-face and online.
- 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 Nebraska to accommodate instructor visits.
- Online students, will complete the lecture portion via computer, with the final exams being proctored at a pre-approved site in your area. Lab skills will be taught in person by our adjunct faculty so we can provide every student the same instruction.
- Online students will be required to travel to one of five distance lab sites to complete the lab portion. Distance labs are located in Norfolk/Columbus, Kearney, Hastings/Grand Island, North Platte, and Lincoln. If you live outside of Lincoln, but within SCC’s 15-county service area, you will be required to attend one of the Lincoln labs held one morning a week for the first term.
- To get a better understanding of the SCC-affiliated sites, call the program director for assistance. Online students can work in conjunction with the local community college in their area to complete the prerequisite courses needed prior to starting the program.

**Top Career Options**

- Certified Surgical Technologist
- Labor and Delivery Surgical Technologist

**Graduate Earnings**

Recent graduates report an average starting salary of $39,416 per year.

**2020-2021 Resident Estimated Expenses**

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Please see the program’s website for information related to topics that include, but are not limited to, accreditation, state licensure or certification requirements, and other disclosures. SCC strives to promote transparency and encourages students to review the information carefully.

This program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, www.caahp.org. 25400 U.S. Highway 19 North, Suite 158, Clearwater, FL 33763, Phone: 727-210-2350, Fax: 727-210-2354.

*"The program is fast, engaging and perfect for an organized hands-on learner. It’s a wonderful foundation to a very rewarding career path. I love what I get to do as a Certified Surgical Technologist, the caliber of people I get to work with, and the positive impact my skills have on patients."*

-Castin Martin, Surgical Technologist