



SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY

Associate of Applied Science Degree

LINCOLN CAMPUS AND ONLINE

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Surgical technologists assist during surgical operations. They prepare the operating room, arrange and prepare equipment and help surgeons during and after surgeries. Surgical technologists are health professionals who are specifically trained to function as an integral member of the surgical team, performing specialized duties before, during and after a surgical procedure.

Program Overview:

The program is offered 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 within a 400-mile driving distance to accommodate instructor visits.

Online students complete the didactic portion via their computer with the final exams being proctored at a pre-approved site in their area. Online students are required to travel to the Lincoln Campus to complete the lab portion. Lab days are eight-hour days once every other week for the first two quarters. Final three quarters require two additional travel days per quarter.

Online students are required to find a clinical site in their area to complete their education. Online students can work in conjunction with the local community college in their area to complete the prerequisite, general education and other required courses.

New program students are admitted every third quarter. Contact the College Admissions Office for entry dates.

The National Certification Examination will be administered before graduation. Upon verification of graduation from the program chair, each student passing the National Certification 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 accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, www.caahep.org, 25400 U.S. Highway 19 North, Suite 158, Clearwater, FL 33763, 727-210-2350.

Graduate Earnings

Recent graduates report an average starting wage of \$15.90 per hour.

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Admission Requirements:

1. Application to the program
2. Submit program advising sheet showing enrollment in the final quarter/semester of prerequisite courses or completion of all program prerequisite 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
SPCH1090 or SPCH1110 or SPCH2810	
Written Communications	4.5
Mathematics	4.5
MATH1040 or higher	
Social Science	4.5
PSYC1250 or PSYC1810 or SOC11010	
Sciences – (3 courses required)	18.0
• Biology of Microorganisms (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).	
	36.0 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 grade-point average of 2.5 in the general education courses and a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 in the science courses. Science courses include anatomy, physiology, and microbiology. General education courses include oral communication, written communication, math, social science, and related courses required by the programs, such as Medical Terminology.
2. A current American Heart Association Healthcare Provider CPR card (including AED and Infant CPR.)
3. Submit completed Health Statement to the Health Sciences Division.
4. A criminal background check will be required of each student in 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 take initial drug and alcohol tests 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.
7. All SURT courses completed with a grade of 75% (C+) or higher to progress through the program.

Estimated Expenses

To determine overall costs, students should plan a budget that includes room, meals, clothing, laundry, medical care, recreation and entertainment, transportation, insurance, etc.

Nebraska Resident tuition rate is \$61.50 per credit hour. Out-of-state tuition rate is \$75.50 per credit hour. Student fee is \$1.50 per credit hour. Graduation fee is \$25.

Housing is available at Beatrice and Milford campuses only. Quarterly tuition, books and fees are dependent upon classes taken.

The total cost per quarter pertains only to Surgical Technology courses. General education courses will be taken at the community college in your area. The cost for the general education courses will be determined by the cost of tuition and fees of that college and the cost of the books.

ON-CAMPUS & DISTANCE/IN-STATE

FIRST & SECOND QUARTERS

General Education Prerequisite Courses*

THIRD QUARTER

Tuition And Fees	\$756
Books	379
Special Fee	45
Total	\$1,180

FOURTH QUARTER

Tuition And Fees	\$882
Books	24
Special Fee	80
Total	\$986

FIFTH QUARTER

Tuition And Fees	\$945
Books	21
Special Fee	5
Total	\$971

SIXTH QUARTER

Tuition And Fees	\$819
Books	21
Special Fee	252
Total	\$1,092

SEVENTH QUARTER

Tuition And Fees	\$945
Special Fee	75
Total	\$1,020
Total Estimate For Program	\$5,249

ADDITIONAL RELATED EXPENSES

Good Athletic or Walking Shoes	\$50-100
Scrub Clothes (2 Sets)	\$75/Pair

*Note: Prerequisite courses are not included

DISTANCE/OUT-OF-STATE

FIRST & SECOND QUARTERS

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

THIRD QTR.	NON-RESIDENT
Tuition And Fees	\$924
Books	379
Special Fee	45
Total	\$1,348

FOURTH QTR.

FOURTH QTR.	NON-RESIDENT
Tuition And Fees	\$1,078
Books	24
Special Fee	80
Total	\$1,182

FIFTH QTR.

FIFTH QTR.	NON-RESIDENT
Tuition And Fees	\$1,155
Books	21
Special Fee	5
Total	\$1,181

SIXTH QTR.

SIXTH QTR.	NON-RESIDENT
Tuition And Fees	\$1,001
Books	21
Special Fees	252
Total	\$1,274

SEVENTH QTR.

SEVENTH QTR.	NON-RESIDENT
Tuition And Fees	1,155
Special Fee	75
Total	\$1,230

TOTAL EST.	NON-RESIDENT
For Program	\$6,215

Projected job growth:

Today, surgical technologists are working in one of the fastest growing professions in the country. The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics projects that the surgical technology 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

