

Personality + Career



You will be a good fit for the Surgical Technology program if you are fascinated by the human body and medicine, but do not necessarily want to provide direct patient care. You have a passion to help others and enjoy working as a part of a healthcare team. Surgical technologists are detail oriented, function well under stress, have strong critical thinking skills, like working with their hands, and are responsible team members.

Program	What do students learn in the program?	What you'll earn!	Career Opportunities	Certificate Preparation	Required Tools, Supplies, and Uniforms
Surgical Technology	Students in the program learn how to function as an integral member of the Operating Room team. They focus on learning surgical instrumentation and procedural sequence to allow them to anticipate the needs of the surgeon. Students also master the principles of aseptic technique to create a sterile environment, allowing them to assist in safely providing their surgical patients with the least risk of contracting a surgical-site infection. Students focus on teamwork skills and communication that assist in providing the best and safest outcomes for their surgical patients.	\$23.70 hourly; \$49,296 annually	Certified Surgical Technologist in hospital or surgery center Certified Surgical Technologist in Labor and Delivery Department	Upon completion of the program, students are eligible to take the National Certification Exam administered by NBSTSA (National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting) to achieve the CST (Certified Surgical Technologist) credential.	Students are required to have uniforms, closed-toe shoes, two sets of scrubs, two cloth hats, and to rent an instrument tool kit from the SCC Campus Store.

Full-Time Schedule of Classes

Spring Semester (16 weeks)	Summer Term (10 weeks)	Fall Semester (16 weeks)
SURT1620 Foundations of Surgical Technology 1 x week Mon. 9 a.m.-Noon + 4.5hr LAB (LAB -Tues., Wed., or Thur. 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m.)	SURT1730 Surgical Procedures 2 2 x week Tues. & Fri. 8-11 a.m.	SURT1830 Surgical Procedures 3 2 x week Tues. & Fri. 8-10 a.m.
SURT1630 Surgical Procedures 1 3 x week Mon. 12:30-2:30 p.m., Wed. 1-3 p.m., Fri. 9-11 a.m.	SURT1740 Principles of Surgical Technology 2 x week Tues. 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. and Fri. 11 a.m.-1 p.m.	SURT1850 Clinical Education 2 3 x week Mon., Wed. & Thur. 6:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
SURT1640 Introduction to Surgical Technology 2 x week Tue. & Thur. 1:30-3:30 p.m.	SURT1750 Clinical Education 1 3 x week Mon., Wed. & Thur. 6:30 a.m.-3 p.m.	SURT1910 Professional Practice of the ST 2 x week Tues. & Fri. 10-11 a.m. SURT1920 Career Readiness for the ST 2 x week Tues. & Fri. 11 a.m.-Noon

Part-Time Schedule of Classes

Spring Semester (16 weeks)	Summer Term (10 weeks)	Fall Semester (16 weeks)
		SURT1630 Surgical Procedures 1 SURT1640 Introduction to Surgical Technology
SURT1620 Foundations of Surgical Technology 4.5hr LAB 1/week SURT1830 Surgical Procedures 3	SURT1730 Surgical Procedures 2 SURT1740 Principles of Surgical Technology	SURT1750 Clinical Education 1 Approx. 24 hrs/week SURT1910 Professional Practice of the ST
SURT1850 Clinical Education 2 Approx. 24 hrs/week SURT1920 Career Readiness for the ST		

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- ▶ Schedule a Campus Visit - southeast.edu/visit
- ▶ Explore career options with an Admissions Counselor - southeast.edu/admissionsadvising
- ▶ Apply - southeast.edu/applynow

» Paying for SCC

- ▶ Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) - studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa
- ▶ Scholarships - southeast.edu/scholarships
- ▶ Payment Plan - mycollegepaymentplan.com/southeast
- ▶ Veteran Education Benefits - southeast.edu/veterans-services
- ▶ GAP Assistance Program - southeast.edu/gap
- ▶ Children of State Teammate Tuition Reimbursement Program - southeast.edu/children-of-state-teammate-tuition-reimbursement-program



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Surgical Technology



Surgical technology is a rapidly growing profession that is continuously evolving with new technology and surgical procedures. You will have a strong commitment to aseptic technique and graduate with an ingrained surgical conscience that ensures you are continuously focused on putting the needs of the patient first and providing the highest level of surgical patient care. You will be rewarded daily knowing you have made a difference in a patient's life.

This program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, www.caahep.org, 9355 113 St. N. #7709, Seminole, FL 33775, Phone: 727-210-2350, Fax: 727-210-2354.

This program leads to licensure or certification. Refer to the program's webpage for information on states and territories where this program does and does not meet requirements. For more information, contact the program director.

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The SCC Experience

- » The SCC Surgical Technology program is one of the only programs nationwide to have five full-time instructors as well as numerous adjunct instructors providing high-contact relationships that support student success.
- » You will spend almost 500 hours in actual surgical procedures with real patients, which equates to approximately 150-200 cases performed during your clinical experience. You are required to achieve 120 cases per accreditation, but our clinical experience greatly exceeds this minimum.
- » SCC Surgical Technology program students have the ability to be hired prior to graduation and be paid during their clinical experience depending on each healthcare facility's policy.
- » SCC's Surgical Technology program is one of the only programs nationwide to be offered completely online with labs at approved locations (Kearney, Lexington, Lincoln, and Norfolk) and clinical experience completed in local hospitals, allowing communities to grow their own healthcare professionals.
- » The National Certification Exam will be administered through Applied Measurement Professionals Inc. before graduation. Upon verification of graduation by the program director, each student passing the exam will receive the official certification from the National Board of Surgical Technologists and Surgical Assistants. This CST certification will allow graduates to meet requirements to work anywhere in the state of Nebraska as well as any state within the USA.



Related pathways at SCC:

- Associate of Health Sciences
- Surgical First Assist
- Respiratory Care
- Radiologic Technology
- Practical Nursing



Program	What is the starting term for each program option?	In what term do students start clinicals?	Where do students participate in clinicals?	In general, what time of day and days of the week can students expect to attend clinical?	Do students need to contact clinical sites prior to acceptance/placement?	How many clinical hours do students complete in the program?
Surgical Technology	Spring- In-person/Online Fall- Online (Part-time)	Full Time- Summer & Fall Terms Part Time- Fall & Spring Terms	Students perform clinical rotations in a variety of facilities in Lincoln and throughout the state of Nebraska, including large hospitals, outpatient and specialty surgery centers as well as labor and delivery departments. Face-to-face students in Lincoln will be required to travel to Omaha for some of their clinical experience.	In general, clinical experience occurs between the hours of 6 a.m. and 3 p.m.	Students enrolled in the online/distance cohort will complete their clinical experience in hospitals/surgery centers in which affiliation agreements have been established with the SCC Surgical Technology program. The program will assist students in securing these sites, but the student may be required to drive in order to attend a site that provides a caseload variety necessary to meet accreditation caseload requirements and may need to attend multiple facilities as well.	495 hours

Program	Credential	Location	Credit Hours	Tuition/Fees*	Books/ Fees/ Supplies	Tools	Total Cost*	Starting Term(s)	Number of Semesters Required-Full Time	Is summer term required for Full Time?	Online Option	Can the program be completed entirely online?	Part-Time Option	Typical Class Schedule
Surgical Technology	Associate of Applied Science	Lincoln and Online (Face-to-face labs and clinical hours required) Part Time-only Online	63.5	R- \$7,811 NR- \$9,144	\$2,151	\$100	R- \$9,962 NR- \$11,395	Spring-Full Time Fall- Part-Time	Once accepted to Surgical Technology - three semesters: spring, summer, fall Five semesters including the prerequisites courses.	Yes during the program courses	Yes-Generally designated for students located outside Lincoln. Part-Time option only offered online	Yes-but online students must attend labs in person once per week (at lab sites in either Kearney, Lexington, Lincoln, or Norfolk) and the clinical experience in a hospital	Yes	See back panel for schedule

*R=Resident, NR=Non-resident. Costs listed are estimates and are subject to change based on the market price of books, supplies, tools, uniforms, etc. Estimated costs also include tuition and fees. Additionally, days/times of week for class, lab, clinical/practicum are subject to change based on curriculum, facilities, instructor, and site availability. Actual program schedules will be provided prior to each enrolled term.