

# Surgical Technology

The Science of Healing. The Art of Compassion.

## WHY SLCC?

The Surgical Technology program prepares students to work in the operating room under the supervision of a registered nurse. Surgical techs pass instruments to surgeons and are responsible for the creation and maintenance of the sterile field.

The Surgical Technology program prepares individuals to work primarily in the operating room. Employment opportunities are also available in surgical centers, labor and delivery, emergency rooms and doctors' offices.

Students will be placed in clinical facilities at the discretion of the program director and the clinical coordinator. Clinical rotations are in the second semester from about 6:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Students must provide their own transportation to and from the clinical sites.

Upon successful completion of the program, the surgical technology students will receive a certificate of completion and will be required to sit for the National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (NBSTSA) Exam within one year as mandated by the Accreditation Review Council on Education in Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (ARC/STSA).

A surgical technologist must be in good physical and mental health to withstand the rigors of the job. Enrollment in the Surgical Technology program is a selective enrollment process.

See the Surgical Technology website for essential information regarding completion of the program application and additional application requirements: [slcc.edu/surgicaltech](http://slcc.edu/surgicaltech)



Completion of the prerequisites allows students to apply to the program. Application submission does not guarantee admission to the program. Students should see the Surgical Technology advisor.

*The Salt Lake Community College/Division of Allied Health, Jordan Campus, Surgical Technology program is accredited by the Commission of Accreditation of Allied Health Programs (CAAHEP).*

CAAHEP  
1361 Park Street, Clearwater, FL 33756  
Phone: 727-210-2350  
Fax: 727-210-2354  
Website: [caahep.org](http://caahep.org)

## CAREERS & SALARY

**Median Average Hourly Wage \$18.61**

[jobs.utah.gov](http://jobs.utah.gov)

## LENGTH OF PROGRAM

**College Program:**  
Ten months (Two semesters)  
32 Program Credits  
25 Prerequisite Credits  
**57 Total Credits**

**Concurrent Program:**  
Sixteen months  
(Four semesters)

## PROGRAM COST

Regular Tuition and Fees:

[slcc.edu/student/financial/tuition-fees.aspx](http://slcc.edu/student/financial/tuition-fees.aspx)

## MORE INFORMATION

Division of Allied Health  
801-957-6200

Academic Advisor  
801-957-6215

[slcc.edu/surgicaltech](http://slcc.edu/surgicaltech)

*\*Disclaimer: Although every attempt is made to make sure information on this sheet is correct, information is subject to change. Please consult the website for the latest information.*

## ADMISSION PROCESS

- All applicants **must be at least 18** years of age.
- Be admitted to SLCC as a matriculated student.
- Request an **official evaluation** of student transcripts and submit to the SLCC Incoming Transcript Office, if applicable.
- For transfer credit, submit **officially sealed** transcripts for **all** colleges where prerequisite coursework has been completed.
- The Surgical Technology admission process requires a Health Sciences pre-admissions exam.
- Application information including prerequisites, transcripts and pre-admissions exam can be found at: [slcc.edu/hs/admissions](http://slcc.edu/hs/admissions)

## PREREQUISITES

All prerequisites **must** be completed with a C grade or better **before** applying to the Surgical Technology program.

- BIOL 1610/1615 College Biology/Lab (LS)(4)
- BIOL 2320/2325 Human Anatomy Lecture/Lab (4)
- ENGL 1010 Intro to Writing\*\* (EN)(4)
- MATH 0980 Elementary Algebra\*\*\* (4)
- COMM 1010 Elements of Effective Communication^ (CM,IN)(3)
- MA 1100 Medical Terminology^ (3)
- PSY 1100 Human Growth & Development^ (SS)(3)

**or**

- PSY 1210 Personal Growth & Development^ (3)

BIOL 2320/2325 **must** be completed with a C+ grade or better within 5 years of application to the program. MATH 0980, or placement into MATH 1010 is valid for one year. It is the student's responsibility to examine each course description for details of other prerequisite classes.

\*WRTG 0990 w/ a C grade or better or Accuplacer score

\*\*Or Placement into MATH 1010 per Accuplacer/ACT/SAT scores (valid for 1 year)

^Offered online

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- One cohort with a maximum of 18 students is admitted each fall semester.
- Accepted students must take the SURG courses in the order outlined in the curriculum. To remain in the program, students must complete the SURG courses with a C+ grade or better.
- There is no advanced placement.
- Students may come in contact with blood-borne pathogens and infectious diseases and all students in the Surgical Technology program must follow proper OSHA procedures and practice universal precautions.
- Accepted students are required to attend the mandatory new-student orientation day.



Visit the Surgical Technology website for more information at: [slcc.edu/surgicaltech](http://slcc.edu/surgicaltech)

SEMESTER I (FALL)	SEMESTER II (SPRING)
<b>SURG 1200 (10)</b> Intro Surg Tech	<b>SURG 1500 (1)</b> Surgical Procedures I
<b>SURG 1250 (10)</b> Advanced Surg Tech	<b>SURG 1510 (5)</b> Surgical Practicum I
	<b>SURG 1600 (1)</b> Comp Surgical Tech
	<b>SURG 1610 (5)</b> Surgical Practicum II
<b>20 CREDITS</b>	<b>12 CREDITS</b>