

Surgical Technologist

CST Credential

Certificate C
Maximum of 53 Credit Hours

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- Certificate C Requirements
- 15 General Education (Minimum 15 Credit Hours)*

A.A.S.
Maximum of 68 Credit Hours for State Funding

Required Courses within Program

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| <u>Common Courses</u> | 22 credits: |
| <i>Intro to Surgical Technology</i> | <i>4 credits</i> |
| <i>Principles and Practices of ST</i> | <i>5 credits</i> |
| <i>Principles and Practices of ST Lab</i> | <i>3 credits</i> |
| <i>Surgical Procedures I</i> | <i>4 credits</i> |
| <i>Surgical Procedures II</i> | <i>5 credits</i> |
| <i>ST Certification Review</i> | <i>1 credit</i> |

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| <u>Support Courses</u> | (up to) 30 credits: |
| <i>ST Clinical</i> | <i>(up to) 13 credits</i> |
| <i>Medical Terminology</i> | <i>(up to) 3 credits</i> |
| <i>Microbiology</i> | <i>(up to) 5 credits</i> |
| <i>Pharmacology</i> | <i>(up to) 3 credits</i> |
| <i>Anatomy and Physiology w/lab</i> | <i>(at least) 5 credits</i> |
| <i>CPR</i> | <i>0-1 credit</i> |

Course list sequence has no implication on course scheduling by colleges.

Institutions may add additional competencies based on local demand.

Notes

Specifics pertaining to the Surgical Technology program

1. Anatomy and Physiology w/ Lab is a 5-credit hour minimum.
2. Clinical experience is based on exposure to a specific number of surgical procedures, not hours at a clinical site, thus, the actual hours will vary depending on surgical caseloads.
3. There are 22 credit hours on the common course list.
4. There are (up to) 30 credit hours of support courses. This total includes the clinical experience and the supportive coursework needed as required by AST.
5. * For colleges that choose to offer an AAS degree option.
6. All programs are CAAHEP accredited.
7. Graduates are eligible to sit for the CST examination.
8. Educational competencies align with AST requirements.
9. Students are strongly encouraged to obtain the Kansas **WorkReady!** Certificate-Silver Level before entering a surgical technologist program of study.