Surgical Technology | Associate in Applied Science  
Field of Study Code: SURGT.AAS

Catalog Description:

Students will be introduced to an operating room set up. Surgical technologists (STs) are employed in hospital operating rooms, delivery rooms, emergency departments and ambulatory care areas. This degree requires a minimum of 64 credits in program requirements and general education courses.

Program Requirements ....................................................... 44
Surgt 1101* Surgical Technology Concepts I .................... 12
Surgt 1102* Surgical Technology Concepts II ..................... 8
Surgt 1103* Surgical Technology Concepts III .................. 12
Surgt 1000 Ethical Considerations in the Health Care Industry ........................................................ 3
Cspd 1111* Central Sterile Processing and Distribution .... 4
Orpct 1001* Operating Room Patient Care Technician Principles .......................................................5

* - course has a prerequisite

General Education ......................................................... 20 -24

Communication: 6 credits
Written: (3 credits) English 1101 or 1105
Oral: (3 credits) Speech 1100, 1120 or 1150

Physical and Life Sciences: 3 to 5 credits
At least one course with a laboratory component

Mathematics: 3 to 5 credits
Select a minimum of 3 credits (1000 level or above).
Select Mathematics 1102, 1104 or 1120 only where required in the degree program. Only one from the following three courses may count toward overall degree requirement credit: Mathematics 1635, Psychology 2280 or Sociology 2205. Only one of the following courses may count toward overall degree credit: Mathematics 1428 or Mathematics 1431.

Humanities and Fine Arts: 3 credits

Social and Behavioral Sciences: 3 credits

Global/Multicultural Studies or Contemporary Life Skills: 2 credits
Complete at least 2 credits from the list of courses in the Global/Multicultural Studies or Contemporary Life Skills Category.

TOTAL CREDITS FOR AAS DEGREE
64 to 68

Suggested Course Sequence  
(Full-Time Enrollment)

Please note: A student's readiness to perform college-level coursework is based on the student's placement test and/or ACT scores. Below 1000 level coursework may be required prior to the student taking courses in the suggested sequences.

* Please refer to the Program Admission packet for the most updated information at: https://www.cod.edu/admission/health_science/pdf_health/surg_tech.pdf

General Education Courses Required to Graduate
• Communication: Written (3)
• Communication: Oral (3)
• Physical/Life Sciences (3 to 5)
• Mathematics (3 to 5)
• Humanities and Fine Arts (3)
• Social and Behavioral Science (3)
• Global/Multicultural Studies or Contemporary Life Skills (2)

Pre-Admission Courses
• Cspd 1111 (4)
• Surgt 1000 (3)
• Orpct 1001 (5)

Professional Course Sequence  
(Once admitted to the Program)

Spring Semester (12 credits)
• Surgt 1101 (12)

Summer Semester (8 credits)
• Surgt 1102 (8)

Fall Semester (12 credits)
• Surgt 1103 (12)

For more information:
If you are considering this program as an area of study, please contact Advising and Counseling to make an appointment with the Health program advisor at 630-942-2259 or by email at healthcareadvising@cod.edu.

Program web site: https://www.cod.edu/academics/programs/surgical-tech/
Career Information SURGT.AAS

Job Title(s): Surgical Technologist (CST)
Surgical Technician, Certified Surgical Technologist (CST), Operating Room Surgical Technician (OR St), Surgical Scrub Technologist, Surgical Scrub Technician, Endoscopic Technologist, Operating Room Technician (OR Tech)

For salary and wage information, please visit: www.onetonline.org

If you would like information regarding internships, resume development, interviewing and job search skills, please contact the Career Services Center

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Related Occupations:
Cardiovascular Technologist/Technician Dental Assistant
Diagnostic Medical Sonographer Nuclear Medicine Technologist
Nuclear Medicine Technologist Respiratory Therapy Technician
Endoscopy Technician Radiologic Technician