

## SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

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### Program Description

The Dixie State College Surgical Technology Certificate Program is taught in conjunction with Intermountain Healthcare Dixie Regional Medical Center in St. George, Utah. The Surgical Technology curriculum will prepare the student to enter into the health care industry at the entry level as a Surgical Technologist with career opportunities in hospitals, central processing, central supply, surgical centers, ambulatory care centers, eye centers, gastroenterology centers, and sales. The purpose of the Surgical Technology Program is to meet the needs of the health care community by providing graduates to enter into the health care environment as entry level Surgical Technologists.

### Admission

To be considered for admission to the Surgical Technology program, an applicant must first be accepted as a Dixie State College student. Then, the applicant must complete a separate application to the Surgical Technology program. Applicants will be admitted into the program without discrimination in regards to age, sex, creed, ethnic origin, or marital status. Space in the program is limited. Applications are due June 15th for admission to the two-semester program that begins each Fall. More application information can be found at [http://www.dixie.edu/health/surgical\\_technology/index.php](http://www.dixie.edu/health/surgical_technology/index.php).

Required application information:

- Prerequisite courses (Average GPA C or higher required)
- PSB – Health Occupations Aptitude Test
- Personal references (2)
- Personal letter
- Personal interview with members of the Surgical Technology Admissions Committee.
- Health care work experience.

### Required Prerequisite Courses

BIOL 2320/2325	Human Anatomy / Lab	3/2
BIOL 2420/2425	Human Physiology / Lab	3/1
ENGL 1010	Intro to Writing	3
HLOC 1000	Medical Terminology	2
MATH 1010	Intermediate Algebra	4

Average GPA of 2.0 (C) or higher in prerequisite courses required.

### Health & Other Requirements

Students accepted into the Surgical Technology program will be required to meet certain health and safety standards. These are required by the clinical facilities. Health care provider CPR certification is required. Immunization and other health requirements, drug screen, and background check are required after the acceptance into the program.

### Facilities

The Surgical Technology Program is located in the Russell Taylor Health Science Building and is equipped with a smart class room, mock operating room, and mock central processing department. Clinical rotations are available in hospitals, ambulatory surgical centers, and eye centers.

### Accreditation

The Dixie State College Surgical Technology program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP), which may be contacted at:

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education  
1361 Park Street  
Clearwater FL 33756  
(727) 210-2350  
[www.caahep.org](http://www.caahep.org)

### Course Prefixes

- SURG

### Degrees & Certificates

- Surgical Technology Certificate of Completion

## Surgical Technology Certificate

48 credits

### General Education Requirement

Complete the following:

ENGL1010	Intro to Writing	3
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### General Requirement

Complete **one** of the following:

MATH 1010	Intermediate Algebra	4
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**OR**

higher MATH course

### Program Requirements

Complete the following:

BIOL 2320/2325	Human Anatomy / Lab	3/2
BIOL 2420/2425	Human Physiology / Lab	3/1
HLOC 1000	Medical Terminology	2

### Core Discipline Requirements

#### Semester I

Complete the following:

SURG 1050	Surgical Technology	15
SURG 1055	Surgical Technology Lab	0
SURG 1060	Surgical Technology Clinic	0

#### Semester II

Complete the following:

SURG 1070	Adv Surgical Technology	15
SURG 1075	Adv Surgical Technology Lab	0
SURG 1080	Adv Surgical Technology Clinic	0

### Graduation Requirements

1. Complete a minimum of 48 college-level credits (1000 and above).
2. Complete at least 20 upper-division credits at DSC for institutional residency.
3. Cumulative GPA 2.0 or higher.
4. Grade C or higher in each Core Discipline Requirement course.