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.

The program begins each Fall Semester. Applications are due June 15th for admission to the two-semester program. Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted. Applications will be evaluated and scored by members of the admissions committee. More application information can be found at http://www.dixie.edu/health/surgical_technology/index.php.

Prior to making application to this program, individuals should carefully consider the mental and physical demands of this program and the pressures involved in being a full-time student. It is also recommended that students not have full-time employment while enrolled in this program.

Required application information includes:

- Prerequisite course GPA
- High school and/or cumulative college GPA
- PSB – Health Occupations Aptitude Test
- Health care work experience.

Required Prerequisite Courses

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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

Course Prefixes

- SURG

Degrees & Certificates

- Surgical Technology Certificate of Completion
Surgical Technology Certificate
48 credits

General Education Requirement
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Core Discipline Requirements

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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.