

Allied Health Program

Program Information

Surgical technologists assist in surgical operations under the supervision of surgeons, registered nurses or other surgical personnel. Before an operation, surgical technologists help prepare the operating room by setting up surgical instruments and equipment, sterile drapes and sterile solutions. During surgery, technologists pass instruments and other sterile supplies to surgeons and surgeon assistants. They may hold retractors, cut sutures, and help count sponges, needles, supplies and instruments. Surgical technologists help prepare, care for, and dispose of specimens taken for laboratory analysis and help apply dressings. Some operate sterilizers, lights, or suction machines, and help operate diagnostic equipment. After an operation, surgical technologists may help transfer patients to the recovery room, and clean and restock the operating room.

Required courses to earn a certificate from Camden County College:

	Credits
Basic Pharmacology	3
Clinical Rotation in Surgical Technology*	7
Clinical Rotation in Surgical Technology II**	8
Introduction to Surgical Technology	3
Principles of Surgical Technology	4
Surgical Procedures I	4
Surgical Procedures II	<u>4</u>
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*This practicum assumes 21 hours a week in a 15-week semester. Students must provide their own transportation to the hospital.

**This practicum assumes 24 hours a week in a 15-week semester.

Admission to the Camden County College portion of the program is competitive; the admission decision rests with CCC.

Surgical Technology

with Camden County College

Students complete the first 13 credits at SCC:

Credits

First Semester

<input type="checkbox"/>	BIO	220	Human Anatomy & Physiology I	4
<input type="checkbox"/>	HSC	211	Medical Terminology	<u>3</u>
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Second Semester

<input type="checkbox"/>	BIO	221	Human Anatomy & Physiology II	4
<input type="checkbox"/>	HSC	200	Standard First Aid and CPR	<u>2</u>
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Total Credits: 13