

Becoming a Surgical Technologist

Surgical Technology is a program leading to an associate in science degree.

Surgical technologists are members of the surgical team who work closely with surgeons, registered nurses and other operating room personnel who deliver patient care. Assuming responsibilities before, during and after surgery, they most often act as "scrub" technologists, preparing the operating room for the surgery, anticipating the needs of surgeons, and passing instruments during surgery. However, they may also serve as "circulating" technologists, monitoring conditions in the operating room, obtaining needed supplies and equipment, and assisting inpatient care before, during and immediately after surgery.

The Surgical Technology program is fully accredited, and successful graduates take the nationally administered certifying examination (before graduation). Those who become certified are granted the designation of certified surgical technologist (CST).

Students who wish to enroll in the program must attend an information session and submit a completed Health Career Program Application.

For further information and to obtain an application, visit www.manchestercc.edu/health or contact the Health Careers Division office (LRC A237) at 860-512-2704.



Sources of Additional Information

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Criteria for Admission

To be considered for acceptance into the Surgical Technology program, applicants must have achieved:

- Completion of one college-level biology or chemistry laboratory course within the previous five years. This course is a prerequisite for BIO* 211 Anatomy and Physiology I.
- One of the following:
 - a. Completion of the college assessment test with a placement into MAT* 109 Quantitative Literacy or MAT* 138 Intermediate Algebra and ENG* 101 Composition.
 - b. Completion of MAT* 095 Elementary Algebra and ENG* 093 Introduction to College Reading and Writing with a grade of "C" or better in both courses.

Curriculum

Except for those labeled SUR*, courses listed below can be taken by any qualified student registered at MCC. Only students formally admitted to the Surgical Technology program may register for the SUR* courses.

First Year — Fall

BIO*	211	Anatomy and Physiology I	4
ENG*	101	English Composition	3
SUR*	101	Operating Room Procedures I	4
Gen Ed		Choose any course	3

First Year — Spring

Gen Ed		Mathematics Requirement	3
BIO*	212	Anatomy and Physiology II	4
PSY*	111	General Psychology I	3
SUR*	102	Operating Room Procedures II	4

First Year — Summer

SUR*	201	Seminar in Surgery	2
SUR*	220	Clinical Experience I	2

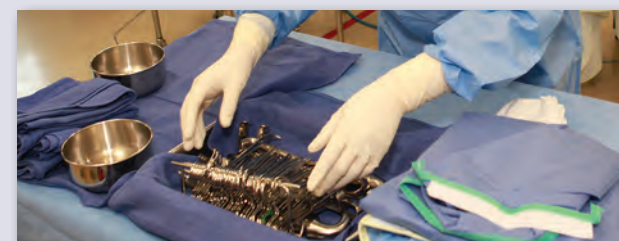
Second Year — Fall

CHE*	111	Concepts of Chemistry	4
ENG*	110	Introduction to Literature	3
SUR*	221	Pathology/Pharmacology for the Surgical Technologist	3
CSA*	105	Software Applications or Introduction to Computers	3
CSC*	101		3
SUR*	222		4

Second Year — Spring

BIO*	235	Microbiology	4
COM*	173	Public Speaking	3
Gen Ed		Arts Requirement	3
SUR*	224	Clinical Experience III	4
SUR*	225	Advanced Seminar in Surgery	3

Total Credits Required: 66



Schedule (subject to change)

First Year

M,W,FNon-clinical courses

T,Th Pre-clinical ST

Courses take place during daytime hours.

Summer

M,T or W,Th ..7 a.m.-3 p.m. ST Clinical I

F9 a.m.-12 p.m. ST Seminar in Surgery

Nine weeks; late May to late July.

Second Year

M,W,F7 a.m.-3 p.m. ST Clinical II and III

T,Th Non-clinical courses

Financial Assistance

Financial aid is available in the form of grants, scholarships, student loans and work-study stipends for those who qualify. For more information, contact the Financial Aid Office at 860-512-3380.

Employment

The employment outlook for surgical technologists is excellent. Graduates have gained employment in hospital operating rooms, delivery rooms, emergency rooms, outpatient clinics and surgeons' offices. After further study, many CSTs have become Certified First Assistants or instructors. Current annual entry-level salaries in central Connecticut hospitals are about \$40,000 per year.



Why Choose MCC?

- Our tuition is affordable.
- We have state-of-the-art academic facilities and offer plenty of free parking.
- Our small class size means you'll know your professors—and they'll know you.
- Our campus is conveniently located, near I-84 and I-384 in Manchester.
- Our class schedules needn't overlap with your work schedule.
- Our reputation helps you transfer into the very best baccalaureate colleges.
- Our certificate programs prepare you for quick entry into an exciting career.
- Our career and cooperative education services help you get the job you want—both while you're in school and after graduation.
- We are the only community college in the country nationally recognized for academic excellence by the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation.



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Manager of Diversity, Inclusion and Staff Development (AA/EEO, Title IX and Section 504/ADA Compliance), Manchester Community College; Great Path, MS #2; Manchester, CT 06040; Student Services Center, L134c; 860-512-3107.

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