Surgical Technology

Associate of Applied Science

Entry wage: $33,306* Median wage: $41,967* Job placement rate: 90%**

A day in the life

Surgical technologists work under the supervision of surgeons to promote a safe surgical environment. During surgery, technologists assist surgeons before during and after procedures. The work requires paying close attention to details, remaining calm under pressure, and staying focused.

Three reasons to consider this program.

1. Every surgery is different. No two days on the job will be the same.
2. Patients in surgery can feel scared. You help them feel comfortable. Your time with patients makes a difference.
3. Roane State has a state-of-the-art surgical technology lab.

Before you sign up, make sure you understand...

1. Surgical techs are part of teams, which means they must communicate well. Courses such as English and speech can improve your communication skills.
2. Being in surgery means wearing a mask for extended periods of time and seeing a lot of blood.
3. Admission is competitive. The typical GPA for accepted students is about 3.2 and only 15 spots are available.

1st Term

ENGL 1010 Composition I (Required)
BIOL 2010 Human Anatomy and Physi...
HIMT 1300 Medical Terminology
MATH 1530 Introductory Statistics

- Oct **See advisor** **FAFSA**
- Nov **Register**
- Dec **Program application**

1st Fall after SURG admission

HIMT 1300 Medical Terminology(If not take...
SURG 1102 Orientation to Surgical Tech
SURG 1410 Surgical Tech and Patient Care ...
SURG 2310 Surgical Microbiology and Asep...
BIOL 2020 Human Anatomy and Physiolog...

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1st Spring after admission

SURG 2420 Surgical Tech and Patient Care ...
SURG 1305 Surgical Pharmacology
SURG 2321 Surgical Procedures I
BIOL 2230 Microbiology(If not taken previo...

- Mar **See advisor**
- Apr **Register**

2nd Fall after admission

SURG 2330 Surgical Procedures II
SURG 2103 Clinical Practicum I
SURG 2201 Clinical Practicum II
PHIL 1040 Introduction to Ethics
COMM 2025 Fundamentals of Communicati...

- Sept **Application for Graduation**
- Oct **See advisor**
- Nov **Register**

2nd Spring after admission

SURG 2302 Clinical Practicum III
ALHS 2314 Medical Law and Ethics (If not t...
PSYC 1030 Introduction to Psychology
MATH 1530 Introductory Statistics (If not tak...

- Feb **Exit exam**
- Mar **Job search**

Key Course: program faculty have identified this course as key to your success
Recommended Elective: check catalog for other acceptable courses
This map assumes completion of course prerequisites
*Tennessee Department of Labor **Average of 2019 - 2021 graduates