

SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY

Program Number: 10-512-1

Associate of Applied Science Degree

Campus: Fond du Lac

This program is eligible for financial aid (<http://www.morainepark.edu/financial-aid/>)

Full-Time Enrollment Only

Stay local or take your career nationwide (or even abroad) with an in-demand health care career in surgical technology with an associate degree from Moraine Park Technical College.

About the Program

Surgical technologists, also called operating room technicians, are allied health professionals who prepare operating rooms, arrange equipment and assist doctors during surgeries.

Moraine Park Surgical Technology students learn the theory and application of sterile and aseptic technique, human anatomy, surgical procedures, and implementation of tools and technologies to facilitate a physician's performance of invasive therapeutic and diagnostic procedures.

Students gain hands-on experience through two semesters of clinical work, and are required to complete a minimum of 120 clinical cases to graduate.

The Surgical Technology program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (www.caahep.org) upon the recommendation of Accreditation Review Council for Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (ARC/STSA).

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP)

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What You'll Learn

Surgical technology students learn the basic principles and best practices of working in the peri-operative environment, how to maintain a safe and sterile surgical environment, how to provide a safe and supportive environment for the patient, how to prep patients, operating rooms and surgical teams for the preoperative phase, and how to perform intraoperative and postoperative case management.

Transfer Opportunities

Earn credits at MPTC and transfer to a four-year college to earn your bachelor's degree.

Visit the Transfer Opportunities (<https://www.morainepark.edu/academics/transfer-information/transfer-to-a-four-year-college/>) page for more information on credit transfer agreements between Moraine Park and four-year colleges, both public and private.

Additional Information

Clinical experiences, evaluations, and attendance at and completion of the scheduled CST exam are exit assessment graduation requirements for the program.

In 2020, 100% of graduates passed the Outcomes Assessment Exam.

Admission Process

Standard Admissions (<http://www.morainepark.edu/admissions/new-student/how-to-apply-for-admissions/>) steps details

This program also requires:

- Health Requirements
- Criminal Background Check

Petition Process (<https://www.morainepark.edu/academics/program-information/surgical-technology-petition-process/>) Details: Students are *provisionally* accepted to the Surgical Technology Program in "pre-core" status. When program ready, students go through the petition process.

Credit for Prior Learning

Earn college credit outside the classroom through Moraine Park's Credit for Prior Learning (CPL) opportunities. Credit opportunities are available for:

- Previous college coursework from prior institutions
- Military training and experience
- Passing of MPTC or national exams
- Skills or knowledge developed on the job or through other life experiences

Visit MPTC's Credit for Prior Learning (<https://www.morainepark.edu/academics/transfer-information/credit-for-prior-learning/>) page for more information.

Approximate Costs

- \$141.00 per credit (resident)
- \$211.50 per credit (out-of-state resident)
- Online students are not charged out-of-state fees.
- Please refer to the MPTC Student Handbook (<http://www.morainepark.edu/studenthandbook/>) for additional enrollment fee information.

Financial Aid

Financial Aid is provided to aid eligible associate degree and technical diploma programs with 28 credits or more. Processing can take 6-8 weeks after a student's completed Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA (<https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa/>)) is received. Visit the Financial Aid (<https://www.morainepark.edu/pay-for-college/financial-aid/>) page to learn more.

Course Requirements

Course	Title	Credits
Clinical Admissions Requirements		
801-136	English Composition 1	3
806-177	General Anatomy and Physiology	4

806-179	Advanced Anatomy and Physiology	4
	Credits	11
Semester 1		
103-159	Computer Literacy - Microsoft Office	1
501-101	Medical Terminology	3
512-125	Intro to Surgical Technology	4
512-126	Surgical Technology Fundamentals 1	4
512-127	Exploring Surgical Issues	2
890-101	College 101	2
	Credits	16
Semester 2		
512-128	Surgical Technology Fundamentals 2	4
512-129	Surgical Pharmacology	2
512-130	Surgical Skills Application	2
806-197	Microbiology	4
	Credits	12
Semester 3		
512-131	Surgical Interventions 1	4
512-132	Surgical Technology Clinical 1	3
512-133	Surgical Technology Clinical 2	3
	Communication Course (https://catalog.morainepark.edu/academic-programming/general-education/communications/)	3
	Behavioral Science Course (https://catalog.morainepark.edu/academic-programming/general-education/behavioral-social-science/)	3
	Credits	16
Semester 4		
512-135	Surgical Technology Clinical 3	3
512-136	Surgical Technology Clinical 4	3
512-142	Surgical Interventions II	4
	Social Science Course (https://catalog.morainepark.edu/academic-programming/general-education/behavioral-social-science/)	3
	Credits	13
	Total Credits	68

Career Opportunities

- Surgical Technologist Scrub Role
- Central Supply Technologist
- Surgical Technologist/Private Scrub
- Second Assisting Technologist (with additional education Surgical First Assistant)
- Laser/Endoscopic Technologist
- Tissue/Organ Procurement
- GI Technologist
- OB Technologist

Statewide Median Salary for Recent Graduates

\$45,423

Program Outcomes

- Apply health care and technological science principles to the peri-operative environment.
- Maintain principles of sterile technique in the surgical environment.
- Provide a safe, efficient and supportive environment for the patient.
- Prepare the patient, operating room, and surgical team for the preoperative phase.
- Perform intraoperative case management in the scrub role.
- Perform postoperative case management.
- Function as an ethical, legal and professional member of the health care team as determined by governing bodies.

Additional Program Requirements

Surgical Technology program students are required to meet the following CAAHEP and ARC/STSA Accreditation criteria for graduation: Completion of 120 Surgery Experience cases as established according to CAAHEP and ARC/STSA Clinical Student Scrub Roles (<http://libs.morainepark.edu/docs/academic-affairs/program-information/clinical-student-scrub-roles-accessible.pdf>), Clinical Experience Surgery Case Requirements (<http://libs.morainepark.edu/docs/academic-affairs/program-information/clinical-surgical-rotation-case-requirements-accessible.pdf>), and final completion of the Certified Surgical Technologist (CST) exam