

# **ALLIED HEALTH INFORMATION PACKET**

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**SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY**



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Students are admitted to Wilson Community College in accordance with policies approved by the administration. Admission is not guaranteed to all applicants who apply to the Surgical Technology program. Completion of the curriculum does not guarantee success in pass the licensure exam. A surgical technology student must be admitted/readmitted to the Surgical Technology program in order to take surgical technology (SUR) courses for credit.

**STEP I Application Process:** *Deadline: March 15*

- A. Applicants must submit an admissions application to Wilson Community College with an official high school transcript or equivalency and all post-secondary coursework. Currently enrolled high school students are to submit a partial transcript at the time of application. A final transcript must be submitted at the time of high school graduation.
- B. Applicants must be eligible for admission to the college.
- C. Applicants must complete an Allied Health Intent Form available under Allied Health at [www.wilsoncc.edu](http://www.wilsoncc.edu).

**STEP II Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS):** *Deadline: March 15*

Applicants who have completed Step I will schedule an appointment to take the TEAS by contacting Student Development at 252-246-1281 or 252-246-1276. Applicants are allowed to take the TEAS twice in a 12 month period at least 30 days apart. The highest TEAS score taken within the last two years will be used for ranking.

- A. Applicants will be required to pay a \$55.00 testing fee to the Business Office (F-101)
- B. Picture ID and payment receipt must be presented at the time of testing.
- C. Applicants who opt to take the TEAS at another institution must submit final TEAS scores by the March 15 deadline in order for them to be considered.
- D. Surgical Technology applicants must achieve a 50% on the overall adjusted score.

**STEP III Program-Specific Requirements:**

- Applicants must be eligible to enroll in the following courses. In order to be eligible, all pre-requisites for these courses must be completed or waived. The pre-requisites for each course can be found in the [Course Descriptions](#) section of the catalog. If you have questions regarding eligibility please contact Student Development at 252-246-1281.

Course Prefix	Course Title
<b>BIO 163</b>	Basic Anat & Physiology
<b>ENG 111</b>	Expository Writing
<b>MAT 143</b>	Quantitative Literacy

- Applicants must have a grade point average of 2.0 or higher on all general education (non-SUR prefix) courses that are required for the Surgical Technology program.

**STEP IV Conditional Acceptance and Ranking:**

- A. Should there be more qualified applicants than space available, a point system will be used to rank applicants and determine selection for admission to the Surgical Technology program. The following items will be used in consideration for ranking:
  - TEAS Adjusted Individual Score.
  - Non-Surgical Technology (SUR) courses. If applicant has taken courses more than once, the highest grade will be used to award points.
  - Diplomas (5 points), Associate Degrees (10 points), and Bachelor's Degree or higher (15 points).

All documentation for ranking is due by March 15. Documentation received after this date will not be considered.
- B. Qualified applicants will receive a letter of conditional acceptance by April 15. Enclosed with this letter will be a Certificate of Acceptance (COA), a physical form, and information to complete your criminal background check and drug screen with immunizations and how to upload it to Immunitrax. COAs are due to Student Development (F-100) by May 1.

C. Physical forms are to be submitted to Immunitrax by May 15. Physical exams must be completed by a physician, nurse practitioner, or physician's assistant within 12 months prior to the first day of class.

1. Immunizations required:

- a. CPR Tetanus – Tdap within the last 10 years,
- b. Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) – 2 shots or a positive titer with results and date,
- c. Hepatitis B (Hep B) – 3 shots or a positive titer with results and date,
- d. Varicella times two or a positive titer,
- e. Annual flu vaccine by October 31st; and
- f. 2 Step TB Skin test documentation with proof of annual test if more than a year old.

Immunizations may not be declined except by a written statement from the applicant's health care provider for acceptable exemptions.

2. Applicants must submit evidence of current American Heart Association (AHA) CPR certification for adult, infant and child with choking maneuver, and AED.

**STEP V Final Acceptance Requirements:**

Students must contact complete the following requirements before acceptance to the program is final.

- A. Student must order and complete the Criminal Background Check, Urine Drug Screen and immunization tracking as required by all clinical agencies by May 15 for final admission.
- B. Applicants must be in good academic standing (not on academic warning or probation) for consideration for final admission.
- C. Malpractice insurance is required to be paid each fall, after the first day of class but before the first day of clinical – see Fees and Expenses.
- D. Students will have orientation during the summer before starting the program in the fall and uniforms will be ordered at that time.
- E. Each semester students are required to pay a testing fee in addition to their tuition. This fee must be paid in order to register, graduate or take the CST exam – see Fees and Expenses.
- F. Clinical, in this program, begins at 6:30 a.m. two days a week and is subject to change based on hospital scheduling and faculty availability. In order to provide adequate training for the number of students, travel to surrounding counties may be expected.
- G. Students must earn a “C” in all SUR and BIO courses.

**Clinical Expectations:**

Behavior must be professional at all times when in the clinical setting. The instructor and/or facility staff maintain the right to dismiss any student from the clinical setting due to unprofessional conduct or breach of HIPAA. If any facility prohibits the student from participating in the clinical experience, the student will be dismissed due to an inability to progress and complete the curriculum.

Students are required to complete a minimum of 120 cases divided as follows: General Surgery (30 cases) and Specialty Cases (90 cases) divided evenly among 5 specialty areas, with a maximum of 15 cases in any one specialty. In addition, 60 cases must be in the first scrub role and evenly distributed among the 5 specialty areas. Please see Surgical Technology instructor for more specific details.

### **SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY DEGREE (A45740)**

The Surgical Technology curriculum prepares individuals to assist in the care of the surgical patient in the operating room and to function as a member of the surgical team.

Students will apply theoretical knowledge to the care of patients undergoing surgery and develop skills necessary to prepare supplies, equipment, and instruments; maintain aseptic conditions; prepare patients for surgery; and assist surgeons during operations.

Employment opportunities include labor/delivery/emergency departments, inpatient/outpatient surgery centers, dialysis units/facilities, physicians' offices, and central supply processing units.

Students of Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) accredited programs are required to take the national certification exam administered by the National Board on Certification in Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (NBSTSA) within a four week period prior to or after graduation. This test is given the last day of class of the Summer Semester.

For questions related to accreditation, students should contact: CAAHEP, 1361 Park Street, Clearwater, FL 33756  
Phone: 727-210-2350, Fax: 727-210-2354

### **COURSE & HOUR REQUIREMENTS BY SEMESTER**

<b>CLASS TITLE</b>	<b>CLASS HRS</b>	<b>LAB HRS</b>	<b>CLINICAL HRS</b>	<b>CREDIT HRS</b>
<b>FALL SEMESTER</b>				
ACA 111 College Student Success	1	0	0	1
*BIO 163 Basic Anat./Physiology	4	2	0	5
SUR 110 Intro to Surgical Tech	3	0	0	3
SUR 111 Periop Patient Care	5	6	0	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>SPRING SEMESTER</b>				
*ENG 111 Writing & Inquiry	3	0	0	3
SUR 122 Surgical Procedures I	5	3	0	6
SUR 123 SUR Clinical Practice I	0	0	21	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>SUMMER SEMESTER</b>				
*PSY 150 General Psychology	3	0	0	3
SUR 134 Surgical Procedures II	5	0	0	5
SUR 135 SUR Clinical Practice II	0	0	12	4
SUR 137 Prof Success Prep	1	0	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>FALL SEMESTER</b>				
BIO 275 Microbiology	3	3	0	4
*ENG 115 Oral Communication	3	0	0	3
*HUM 115 Critical Thinking	3	0	0	3
*MAT 143 Quantitative Lit.	2	2	0	3
PSY 241 Developmental Psychology	3	0	0	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>SPRING SEMESTER</b>				
CIS 113 Computer Basics	0	2	0	1
SUR 210 Advanced SUR Clinical Practice	0	0	6	2
SUR 211 Advanced Theoretical Concepts	2	0	0	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS FOR DEGREE</b>				<b>66</b>
*This course is a component of the general education requirements needed for graduation.				
NOTE: Wilson Community College's Surgical Technology Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) through the Accreditation Review Council on Education in Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (ARC/STSA).				

Keep this copy to map the completion of prerequisite courses. Use this to calculate your potential total points towards the Surgical Technology program.

## A. TEAS ADMISSION TESTING: (TEAS V OR ATI TEAS)

	<i>Surgical Technology</i>
Points will be awarded for the following components of the admissions test. <b>Must have been taken within the last two years.</b>	<b>Adjusted Individual Score</b> 91%+ = 10 PTS. 80-89% = 7 PTS. 50-79% = 3 PTS.
Fill in Highest TEAS Score	

## B. NON-NURSING COURSES (Surgical Technology)

Write the grade received or intended semester of completion.	Surgical Technology	SEMESTER/YEAR COMPLETED	A	B	C	TOTAL POINTS
	BIO 163 Basic Anatomy & Physiology		16	12	2	
	ENG 111 Expository Writing		3	2	1	
	PSY 150 General Psychology		3	2	1	
	ACA 111/115/118/122		2	1	1	
	CIS 113 or CIS 110		3	2	1	

## C. POST-SECONDARY DIPLOMA OR DEGREE (The highest Post-Secondary Degree Obtained)

DEGREE RECEIVED	LIST THE INSTITUTION AND THE TYPE OF DIPLOMA OR DEGREE YOU EARNED	Points	YEAR
Diploma		5	
Associate Degree		10	
Bachelor's or Higher		15	

**\*Specific cut scores will be determined annually by the nursing programs based on the national norm and program attrition data.**

- ❖ Points will be awarded for applicants who meet the minimum score requirements for the TEAS Adjusted Individual Score.
- ❖ Only grades of C or better will be considered for the point system selective admissions process

**SUMMATION OF TOTAL POINTS:** A. \_\_\_\_\_ + B. \_\_\_\_\_ + C. \_\_\_\_\_ = Total \_\_\_\_\_

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