



SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY

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WILSON COMMUNITY COLLEGE SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY DEGREE PROGRAM (ST)

Fall 2027 Admissions Policy:

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 passing 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 admission 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 submit all required documents and complete the admissions process, to be officially admitted to the college.
- C. Applicants must complete a Health Sciences Intent Form available under Health Sciences at www.wilsoncc.edu.

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

Applicants who have completed Step I may schedule an appointment to take the TEAS by contacting Student Development at 252-246-1281 or 252-246-1276. The ATI Teas exam is not required for program entry. Applicants who choose to take the exam 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 who choose to take the exam will be required to pay a \$70.00 testing fee to the Business Office (F-101) effective July 17, 2023 cost is subject to change.
- 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. Applicants are ranked based on ATI Teas Scores. Higher scores will result in more points for consideration. The ATI Teas exam is not required for program entry.

STEP III Program-Specific Requirements & Eligibility:

- Applicants must be eligible to enroll in ENG 111 without needing a co-requisite or remedial course. If you have questions regarding eligibility, please contact Health Sciences at healthsciences@wilsoncc.edu
- 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, Degrees, and Certification for a maximum of 2 points.
 - 3 points will be awarded to students currently enrolled at Wilson Community College.

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 the end of April**. 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 Viewpoint Screening.
- C. COAs are due to Health Sciences by May 30.

- D. Physical forms are to be submitted to Viewpoint Screening by May 30. 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. 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,
 - f. Two-Step TB Skin Test within 1-3 weeks of other, or chest x-ray within last 12 months of program, or TB Blood Test within 12 months of program admission or readmission.
 - g. COVID-19 Vaccine – 2 part Pfizer, 2 Part Moderna, or 1 part Jansen (requirement is dependent upon clinical facilities)

Immunizations may not be declined except by a written statement from the applicant's health care provider for acceptable exemptions which may include pregnancy or an allergy to the vaccine.

STEP V Final Acceptance Requirements:

Final acceptance will be determined by the Dean of Health Sciences based on the following conditions being met:

- A. Student must order and complete the Criminal Background Check, Urine Drug Screen and immunization tracking as required by all clinical agencies by June 1st for final admission.
- B. Applicants must be in good academic standing (not on academic warning or probation) for consideration for final admission.
- C. Students shall attend surgical technology student orientation during the summer before starting the program in the fall and uniforms shall be ordered at this time.
- D. Students must earn a "C" in all BIO and SUR 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 in the first and second scrub roles to graduate from the program divided as follows: General Surgery (30 cases) and Specialty Cases (90 cases). Please see Surgical Technology instructor for more specific details.

Minimum Expectations Statement:

To prepare entry-level Surgical Technologists who are competent in the cognitive (knowledge), psychomotor (skills), and affective (behavior) learning domains to enter the profession.

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 final Spring Semester.

For questions related to accreditation, students should contact:

CAAHEP · 9355 113th St. N, #7709, Seminole, FL 33775 · Phone: 727-210-2350 · Fax: 727-210-2354

COURSE & HOUR REQUIREMENTS BY SEMESTER

CLASS TITLE	CLASS HRS	LAB HRS	CLINICAL HRS	CREDIT HRS
FALL SEMESTER				
ACA 111 College Student Success	1	0	0	1
*BIO 168 Anatomy & Physiology I	3	3	0	4
SUR 110 Intro to Surgical Tech	3	0	0	3
SUR 111 Periop Patient Care	5	6	0	7
Total	12	9	0	15
SPRING SEMESTER				
*BIO 169 Anatomy & Physiology II	3	3	0	4
SUR 122 Surgical Procedures I	5	3	0	6
SUR 123 SUR Clinical Practice I	0	0	21	7
Total	8	6	21	17
SUMMER SEMESTER				
*BIO 175 General Microbiology	2	2	0	3
SUR 134 Surgical Procedures II	5	0	0	5
SUR 135 SUR Clinical Practice II	0	0	12	4
Total	7	2	12	12
FALL SEMESTER				
SUR 211 Advanced Theoretical Concepts	2	0	0	2
SUR 212 Clinical Supplement	0	0	12	4
*ENG 111 Writing & Inquiry	3	0	0	3
*PSY 150 General Psychology	3	0	0	3
Total	8	0	12	12
SPRING SEMESTER				
SUR 137 Professional Success Prep	1	0	0	1
SUR 210 Advanced SUR Clinical Practice	0	0	6	2
*COM 231 Public Speaking	2	0	0	3
*Humanities/Fine Arts (HUM 115, PHI 240)	3	0	0	3
Total	6	0	6	9

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS FOR DEGREE

65

*This course is a component of the general education requirements needed for graduation.

NOTE: All courses must be completed in sequence while in the program unless the non-SUR course has already been completed prior to admission.

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).

Approximate Costs

Semester 1

Tuition & Fees (15 hours)	\$1207.70
SUR Books & Supplies	\$600.00
Uniforms (varies based on style selected)	\$250.00
Malpractice Insurance	\$16.00
Viewpoint Screening	<u>\$140.00</u>
Total Semester 1 Cost	\$2,213.70

Semester 2

Tuition & Fees (17 hours)	\$1285.88
SUR Books & Supplies	<u>\$50.00</u>
Total Semester 2 Cost	\$1,335.88

Semester 3

Tuition & Fees (12 hours)	<u>\$973.16</u>
Total Semester 3 Cost	\$973.16

Semester 4

Tuition & Fees (12 hours)	\$973.16
SUR Books & Supplies	\$90.00
Malpractice Insurance	<u>\$16.00</u>
Total Semester 4 Cost	\$1,079.16

Semester 5

Tuition & Fees (9 hours)	\$738.62
Graduation Application (does not include cap & gown)	<u>\$25.00</u>
Total Semester 5 Cost	\$763.62

****Approximate Total Program Cost with CST Fee** **\$6,715.53**

*The above estimates are based on in-state tuition. Tuition and fees are based on SUR and General education courses. Student cost may be lower if some courses are completed prior to admission.

**CST Exam Fee of \$300.00 will be required for the Surgical Technology Program prior to program completion.

Point System/Course Check Offs

Wilson Community College Surgical Technology

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:

	<i>Surgical Technology</i>
<i>Points will be awarded for the following components of the admissions test. Must have been taken within the last two years.</i>	Adjusted Individual Score 90%+ = 10 PTS. 80-89% = 7 PTS. 50-79% = 3 PTS. 1-49% =1 PT. 0 points allotted if no score on file
Fill in Highest TEAS Score	

B. NON-NURSING COURSES (Surgical Technology)

Surgical Technology	A	B	C
BIO 168 Anatomy & Physiology I	16	12	2
BIO 169 Anatomy & Physiology II	16	12	2
ENG 111 Writing & Inquiry	3	2	1
PSY 150 General Psychology	3	2	1
ACA 111 or 115 or 118 or 122	2	1	1
BIO 175 or 275 Microbiology	3	2	1
COM 231 Public Speaking	3	2	1
PHI 240 or HUM 115	3	2	1

C. WILSON COMMUNITY COLLEGE ENROLLED STUDENT

Yes (award 3 points)_____ No (award no points)_____

D. PREVIOUS DEGREE

If a student has any previous degree(s), diploma(s), or certificate(s) a maximum of 2 points will be awarded for this section.

In the event applicants accrue the same number of total points the following "tiebreakers" will be utilized to determine admission to the program.

Tiebreaker #1: *Date and time Health Science Intent form was submitted.*

Wilson Community College Campus Resources

Health Sciences Instructors	Email	Phone Number
Calhoun, Courtney	ccalhoun@wilsoncc.edu	252-246-1313
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Parker-Eatmon, Melody	mparker-eatmon@wilsoncc.edu	252-246-1212
Campus Support		Phone Number
Bookstore		252-246-1222
Business Office		252-246-1259
Short-Term Training		252-246-1287
Financial Aid		252-246-1274
Library		252-246-1235