Surgical Technology Degree Program – C216C  
(Pending ICCB Approval)

The Triton College Surgical Technology Program prepares the student to work as part of a team providing surgical patient care. Surgical technologists most often function in the scrub role, but their responsibilities may include a variety of duties before, during and after surgery. The program includes theory, simulation laboratory, and clinical components. Students receive supervised experience at several cooperating area hospitals.

A variety of employment opportunities exist in hospitals, surgical centers, birthing centers and other health care agencies. The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics projects that the need for surgical technologists will increase by approximately 15% between now and 2024.

The Surgical Technology Program is a selective enrollment program, meaning applicants must qualify for the program before they are accepted. Acceptance is awarded by a point system; applicants with the highest points are accepted first. Points are accumulated from the grades earned from successful completion of the prerequisite and general education courses that are a part of the surgical technology program’s curriculum. All Math, Science, and Allied Health courses expire 5 years from the time they were taken and must be passed with a grade of “C” or higher. Acceptance is awarded every fall semester.

Program Requirements:

- High School Diploma or GED is required
- Attendance at a Surgical Technology Information Session is required
- A criminal history records check with no disqualifying convictions is required prior to admission to the program
- Computer proficiency (word processing, email, internet use) as evidenced by transcripts, employer documentation, student documentation or completion of CIS 100
- Must score at the college level or better on the reading and writing placement exam or course equivalency – Placement exam scores must not be more than two years old
- Completion of the prerequisites must not be more than five years old and all prerequisite coursework must be completed with a grade of “C” or higher

Program Prerequisites:

- **AHL 120** Comprehensive Medical Terminology 3 Credits
- **BIS 136** Functional Human Anatomy 1 4 Credits
  or
- **BIS 240** Human Anatomy & Physiology 1 4 Credits
- **MAT 055** Algebra & Geometry 1 4 Credits

General Education Courses: (completion of the general education courses prior to program admission will increase an applicant’s chances for acceptance)

- **AHL 202** Comprehensive Ethics 3 Credits
- **RHT 101** Freshman Rhetoric & Composition I 3 Credits
- **BIS 222** Principles of Microbiology 4 Credits
- **PSY 100** Introduction to Psychology 3 Credits
- **SOC 100** Introduction to Sociology 3 Credits
- **SPE 101** Principles of Effective Speaking 3 Credits