HEALTH CAREER PROGRAMS

Surgical Technology INFORMATION SESSION
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The role of a surgical technologist includes setting up the operating room, preparing surgical instruments and assisting in their use, and preparing patients for surgery.

The technologist has primary responsibility for maintaining the sterile field, ensuring that all members of the operating team adhere to aseptic technique, and preparing and applying sterile dressings following procedures. STs are employed in hospital operating rooms, delivery rooms and clinics.

Successful completion of the program will allow graduates to take the National Certification Exam through the NBSTSA.
• Salaries/Job Outlook
  - about $35,000/year
  - average salary in Illinois is $19.31
  - $16.00 - $18.00/hour

• Areas of Employment
  - Hospitals – Surgery Dept.
  - Ambulatory Care Center
  - Sterile Processing Department
  - OB Dept
• Certification
  – Administered by the NBSTSA
  – Eligible to seat for the certification exam
  – Not mandatory in Illinois
  – Association of Surgical Technology – Student Membership- www.ast.org
• Program Information
  – 1 year/ 3 semesters
  – Full-time
  – Days
  7 week sessions- 3 semesters (Fall, Spring, Summer)
  - Aug-Oct (Lecture, Lab)
  - Oct- July (Clinical, Lecture)

- Clinical Requirements – 80 surgical procedures
• Selective Enrollment
  – Point system – Higher the grade/Higher the points- (17 highest points)
  – Additional points (currently work in SPD, RN or Military ORT)
• Recommended Courses
  – General Ed courses
    • BIS 190 or BIS 136/137 (must be petitioned) or higher (5 year limit)- 5 points
    • PSY 105 or PSY 100 (Petition)- 4 points
    • AHL 101 or Higher- 4 points
    • CIS 100 – 4 points
    • Courses completed at another school will require approval
    • Must send schools transcripts
REVIEW PROCESS

• SEPT 15-DEC 15
• FEB 15-APRIL 15
• MARCH 15 (IF SEATS ARE AVAILABLE)
• Application Process
  - Complete Triton College Application (If needed)
  - Placement Test - All entering students, regardless of educational intent, are required to complete the institution’s math, reading, and writing assessment or show alternative documentation. This assessment must be done prior to enrollment in any credit-bearing courses.
Cost Summary

In-District Tuition
- $98.00/Credit Hour (some courses have additional fees (lab fees, student fees etc) Please refer to Triton’s catalog

Out-of-District Tuition
- $256.00/credit hour
  - additional fees apply

In-district students are considered before out-of-district
• * Only portion of the community

  Rosemont*
  Schiller Park
  Northlake
  Stone park
  Melrose park
  Elmwood Park
  Berkeley
  Bellwood
  Oak Park
  Harwood Heights
  Norridge
  Norwood Park

  Maywood
  Hillside
  Hines
  Forest Park
  Broadview
  Westchester
  LaGrange*
  North Riverside
  Brookfield*
  Riverside
Admission Procedure

**Admission Procedure 1**
– Attend Information Session
– Complete College Application
– Complete Program Application

**Admission Procedure 2**
– Send or bring Official High School and/or College transcripts to the Admissions Office