

Central Sterile Technician

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Job Description

Central Sterile Technicians ensure that surgical instruments and medical equipment used in the healthcare facility are cleaned and/or sterilized. Other responsibilities may include assembling instrument trays for the Operating Room, placing instrument trays in the sterilizers, monitoring, and recording the use of the sterilizers/autoclaves, and ordering and distributing supplies throughout the healthcare facility. Teamwork, communication, and professionalism are essential to work successfully as a Central Sterile Technician.

Career Opportunities

The Central Sterile Technician Certificate program provides students with the necessary skills for entry-level jobs into:

- Hospitals
- Outpatient Surgery Centers
- Endoscopy Unit
- Instrument/Equipment Companies
- Offices of ophthalmologists, physicians, and dentists

Approximate Salary
Hourly Wage Range..... \$15.18 \$30.27
Source: "Occupational Employment and Wages, May 2022"
www.bls.gov

Personal Profile

The Sterile Processing Student must be able to perform under stressful and emergency situations, have considerable patience, possess a strong sense of responsibility and concern for order, must work quickly, be detail-oriented, and be sensitive to the needs of the patient and other members of the surgical team.

Program Description

The program includes online classwork and clinical practice in Sterile Processing. Students will be required to complete a total of 400 hours in the clinical setting in order to receive a school certificate and full CRCST (Certified Registered Central Service Technician) certification. Once the student has completed the required courses and clinical hours, they will be awarded a Certificate of Completion and the full certification of CRCST. Prospective students are advised that a felony conviction may preclude them from sitting for the national certification exam.

Admission Requirements

The Surgical Technology department will be responsible for managing the registration process. The admission list is

Approximate Costs

(Costs are subject to change)

Tuition:

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| 9 credits x \$115.50 per credit hour..... | \$1,039.50 |
| Technology Fee per credit hour..... | \$10.50 |
| Student Union Fees per credit hour..... | \$9.00 |
| Athletics & Recreation Fee per credit hour.... | \$2.00 |
| Books..... | \$80.00-\$90.00 |
| Lab Fees..... | \$25.00 |
| Uniforms/Supplies | \$80.00 |
| CPR Certification | \$50.00 - \$75.00 |
| Physical Exam..... | \$50.00 - \$75.00 |
| Immunizations..... | \$0 - \$600.00 |
| Urine Drug Screen | \$30.00 |
| Official Background Check..... | \$50.00 |
| Medical Insurance | \$20.00 - \$190.00/month |
| Applies only if you are presently uninsured. | |
| National Licensure: | |
| Exam | \$140.00 |
| New Student Fee..... | \$20.00 |
| College Application Fee..... | \$20.00 |
| One time, non-refundable fee charged to new students only. | |
| Non-resident Fee | \$4,049.50 per semester |

This is in addition to the tuition and technology fee and is assessed to nonresident students enrolling in 7 or more credit hours.

based on a lottery. Students must possess a High School Diploma, High School Transcripts, or a GED equivalent; complete ENG 100, 101, 110, or 113 with a "C" or better or score a 237 or higher on the Next Gen Accuplacer Reading test; and be 18 years of age or older.

Beginning Students

Students beginning the program will be required to show proof of CPR (Basic Life Support/Health Care Provider), health insurance, a physical, and immunizations against Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR), Varicella, Hepatitis B (3 series of shots), Tuberculosis (TB), Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis (Tdap), COVID-19, and Influenza. In addition, a drug screening and a background check must be completed 30 days prior to the start of classes. **Lastly, all required documentation must be submitted before the close date for each submission deadline, which is May 31st for Fall admission and September 30th for Spring admission.**

Work Policy

All student activities associated with the curriculum, especially while students are completing clinical rotations, will be educational in nature. Students will not receive any monetary remuneration during this educational experience, nor will the student be substituted for hired staff personnel within the clinical institution.

