Surgical First Assistant

Student's Name:

College Credit Certificate (CCC) Student's ID Number:

2025 - 2026

Pathway Navigator:

Faculty Advisors: Ashley Krawczynski(A-D) Brittany Page(N-Z)

Major Courses (59 hours)

The purpose of this three to four semester 59 college credit program is to educate currently certified surgical technologists in the specialty of Surgical First Assisting and promote knowledge based critical thinking in the safe practice as an entry level surgical first assistant. Upon completion of all core graduation requirements, graduates of this program will receive a College Credit Certificate (CCC) as a Surgical First Assistant. Successful completion of the program will allow graduates to apply to take the national certifying examination provided all the eligibility requirements currently established are met. Students may choose to complete the requirements for an Associate in Science (AS) degree by completing the additional General Education requirements.

This college credit certificate is only available to those who are currently certified as a Certified Surgical Technologist (CST) by the National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (NBSTSA) or Tech in Surgery – Certified (TS-C) by the National Center for Competency Testing (NCCT).

□BSC2085 Anatomy & Physiology I+* 3 BSC2085L Anatomy & Physiology I Lab+* 1 BSC2086 Anatomy & Physiology II+* 3 BSC2086L Anatomy & Physiology II Lab+* 1 HSC1531 Medical Terminology#* 2 HSC1000 Orient. to Perioperative Services+#* 3 HSC1000L Orient. to Perioperative Services Lab+#* 1 HSC2520 Microbiology Perioperative Services#+* 3 STS1310 Surgical Tech & Procedures+#* 5 STS1310L Surgical Tech & Proced. Lab/Clinical+#* 2 3 STS1340C Pharmacology & Anesthesia+#* STS1940C Introduction to Surgery Clinical+#* 2 4 STS2323 Surgical Procedures I+#* 1 STS2323L Surgical Simulation I Lab+#* 3 STS2324, Surgical Procedures II+#* 1 STS2324L Surgical Simulation Lab II+#* STS2330C Principles of Surgical Assisting+#* 2 STS2335 Adv. Integrat. Surgical Sciences+#* 2 STS2336 Adv. Surg. Proced. Surgical Assistant+#* 2 STS2361 The Art of Teamwork in Surgery#* 1 STS2365 Professional Skills for the OR Team#* 1 STS2370 Surgical Assisting Clinical+#* 2 STS2936 Surgical Certification Symposium#* 1 STS2944C Surgical Clinical I+#* 3 STS2945C Surgical Clinical II+#* 3 STS2953 Surgical Technologist Portfolio I#* 1 STS2954 Surgical Technologist Portfolio II#* 1

Notes

Developmental Courses

ENC0022 Dev. Writing I & II Combined*	3
REA0019 Dev. Reading I & II Combined*	3
 MAT0012 Dev. Arithmetic with Algebra*	3

Key

+ = Prerequisite or co-requisite required

* = Minimum grade of "C" required

@ = Course meets Civic Literacy Requirement

•= General Education Core course

#=Applies to A.S. and Certificate Programs