



SOUTHWESTERN COLLEGE SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

The Surgical Technology Program prepares the student to function in operating rooms under the direct supervision of physicians and nurses. Surgical technologists assist in scrubbing and with the surgical procedures. Most work settings are in hospital operating rooms, emergency rooms and out-patient surgical clinics. Salaries in the San Diego area range from \$30,000 to \$40,000 per year to start.

The Surgical Technology Program is three semesters: Fall, Spring and Summer. Prospective students may apply for the program after completing all the pre-requisite courses listed below.

REQUIRED PRE-REQUISITE COURSES:

- ◆ Biol 190 Human Anatomy and Physiology 4 units
- or -
- ◆ Biol 260 Human Anatomy 5 units
- ◆ Medop 230 Medical Terminology 3 units
- ◆ College-level Reading (Reading 158 or proficiency on assessment test)
- ◆ High school graduation in the U.S., GED or degree from a U.S. accredited college.

NOTE: All pre-requisites MUST be completed at time of application (no exceptions).

If pre-requisites were completed anywhere other than SWC, you MUST complete the Pre-requisite Evaluation Request for Program Enrollment Form (contact SWC Evaluations Department).

The program accepts 20 students every Fall semester. We do not accept applications unless they contain **ALL** requested documentation and prerequisites (see application checklist).

COMPLETE APPLICATIONS MUST BE EMAILED or IN PERSON to Higher Education Center, Otay Mesa, 8100 Gigantic Street San Diego, CA 92154 Office 4401. Email: nursing@swccd.edu (No exceptions). Once application packet is submitted, it becomes our sole property. Please make copies of your records prior to applying.

The Surgical Technology Program is **no longer** a waitlisted program. All interested applicants must apply during the annual application period. For **Fall 2015** the application period is from **January 5, 2015 beginning at 9am to April 9, 2016 by 3pm only, no exceptions.**

If you are interested in obtaining an Associate in Science Degree for this program, we suggest making an appointment with Academic Counselor to review the courses needed for a degree in Surgical Technology.

COST:

The cost of the surgical technology program is currently estimated to be about **\$2,000**.

The greatest direct expense is at the beginning of the first semester. Textbooks, enrollment fees, material fees, malpractice insurance and uniforms are the major cost items.

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Student Application Checklist

You will need **ALL** of the following items at the time of application.

- ☐ Complete Application
- ☐ Unofficial transcripts must accompany application showing evidence of pre-requisites; (including SWC)
****However OFFICIAL transcripts must be sent to the Admissions and Records office at 900 Otay Lakes Road Chula Vista, CA 91910)**
- ☐ Southwestern College ID number- (if you missed a semester or more, you MUST reapply)
- ☐ Copy of:
 - Social Security Card
 - Driver's License/State ID
 - CPR certification – Healthcare Provider from the American Heart Association
 - High School Diploma/GED or high school transcripts
 - Student Education Plan (**within the last 6 months, must be created by an academic counselor and must be program specific**)
 - Immunization card/records and/or titers (lab work)
 - Pre-requisite Evaluation Request For Program Enrollment Form via Pre-requisite Office, if applicable (to clear external pre-requisites).

- ☐ Physical Examination Form with all immunizations completed
 - 2 MMRs or Titers for Measles, Mumps, Rubella
 - 2 Varicella or Titers (if you had the disease you must have titers)
 - 3 Hepatitis B or Titers
 - Tdap (within 5 years at time of application)
 - Flu (must be completed between October and November of each year)
 - 2-Step Intradermal TB Mantoux Test, Titers (Quantiferon TB) or chest x-ray within 5 years.

****Your immunization records or titer (lab work) results MUST accompany the application packet***

All accepted students will be notified via email

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Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle: _____
If no middle name use NMN

Previous Name/Maiden Name: _____
Important if your records reflect a name different from above

Social Security Number: _____ Birth Date: _____ SWC ID # _____
(Required at time of application)

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Alternate Phone: _____ *Email Address: _____
*(*must provide valid email address)*

High School or GED location name: _____ Graduation Year: _____

Have you previously applied to this Program? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 If so, when? _____

Are you fluent in any language(s) other than English? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 If yes, please list: _____

PREREQUISITES COURSES	Course Number	No. of Units	Lab Course	Year Completed	Name of College	Letter Grade Received
*Human Anatomy & Physiology OR Human Anatomy			Yes/No			
*Medical Terminology			Yes/No			
*College-level Reading			Yes/No			

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PREVIOUS BACKGROUND IN HEALTHCARE

Have you had any formal education in other healthcare occupations? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If answer is yes, indicate type of program:

☐ RN ☐ Associate Degree ☐ Orderly ☐ LVN/LPN ☐ EMT/Paramedic
☐ Baccalaureate ☐ Certified Nurse Assistant ☐ Corps School ☐ Other_____

Name of School: _____ City and State: _____ Enrolled from: _____ to _____ Date Graduated: _____
month/year month/year

PREVIOUS WORK EXPERIENCE

<u>Agency</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>

HOSPITAL SPONSOR? ☐ No ☐ Yes (please provide the following information)

<u>Name of Agency</u>	<u>Contact Person</u>	<u>Email</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>

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COMPLETE FOR STATISTICAL PURPOSES ONLY

Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female
Age: _____
Ethnicity: ☐ African-American ☐ American Indian ☐ Filipino ☐ Non-Filipino Asian or Pacific Islander ☐ Caucasian ☐ Hispanic ☐ Unknown ☐ Other: _____
Education: Highest Degree Completed:
Marital Status: ☐ Single ☐ Married ☐ Divorced ☐ Separated
U.S. Citizen? ☐ Yes ☐ No

To the best of my knowledge, the above information is truthful and accurate. The information submitted in this application packed it complete and accurate. I understand that falsification of any information on this application may be cause for non-selection or dismissal from the program.

Important: If you have a change in address, phone number or email, you must contact the Nursing Office by sending an email to nursing@swccd.edu. Your admission status will be compromised if we are unable to reach you. Once your application is submitted to our office, it becomes the sole property of the Nursing Department. If not accepted into the program, your application will be discarded. Please initial _____ (indicating you have read and understood this statement).

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

For Official Use Only: ☐ Application Packet Complete ☐ Verified Social Security Card

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