SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY AAS DEGREE
CURRICULUM SHEET
Collaborative Agreement with Edgecombe Community College
Effective 6-29-23

PCC has a collaborative agreement with Edgecombe Community College (ECC) to offer the Surgical Technology Program. Through this agreement, students may earn general education course credits at PCC for transfer to the Surgical Technology Program at ECC. ECC agrees to annually accept into their Surgical Technology Program a minimum of two qualified applicants from PCC. Students must meet the admission criteria and complete the minimum prerequisites below to be considered a PCC recommended applicant.

The following steps must be completed to enroll at PCC:
- □ Complete an application for general admission to Pitt Community College.
- □ Submit official transcript from high school or high school equivalency diploma. Applicants with a bachelor's degree are exempt.
- □ Submit official transcripts from all colleges/universities attended.
- □ Meet with assigned Advisor.
- □ Check your myPittCC email account for important announcements on a regular basis.
- □ Read the Health Sciences Essential FAQs.

By completing these steps, students have not been recommended for enrollment to the Surgical Technology Program at ECC. Students must meet the admission criteria and complete the minimum prerequisites below first. Until these requirements are met, students are enrolled at PCC as an Associate in General Education major or special credit student.

Admission Criteria:
- □ Must be a high school graduate or hold a high school equivalency diploma
- □ Must have a **2.5 GPA** in general education courses for the program (see chart below)
- □ Proficiency in math required as exhibited by one of the following criteria:
    - high school GPA of 2.2 or higher within the past 10 years; or
    - successful completion of DMA 010-040; or
    - successful completion of MAT 070; or
    - completion of college-level math with a C or better; or
    - completion of MAT 003 with grade of P2.
    Applicants with a GPA older than 10 years that meet none of the math requirements listed must take the placement test and achieve a score of 70 or better. Applicants who score less than 70 must successfully complete MAT 003 with grade of P2.
- □ Must have a **minimum total score of 58% on the TEAS** within the past 5 years counting back from the date of enrollment in the program. *Applicants should consult an academic advisor to determine the best time to take the TEAS. Refer to the TEAS Testing Guide for information on preparing and registering for the TEAS.*

Minimum Prerequisites (must be completed or in progress at time recommendation is requested):
- □ **BIO 163 or [BIO 168 & BIO 169]** with a C or better.
- □ **BIO 275** with a C or better.
- □ **ENG 111** with a C or better.

Once you meet all admission criteria and minimum prerequisites, contact Health Sciences Admissions at (252) 493-7473 or hltscadm@email.pittcc.edu to request a recommendation to the Surgical Technology Program at ECC. **The deadline to request a recommendation is March 1, 2024 by 5 p.m. for those enrolling in Fall, 2024.** All PCC students recommended for admission must participate in a conference call with the Surgical Technology Program Director at ECC. This conference call will satisfy ECC's requirement to participate in a surgical technology information session. PCC staff will assist in coordinating this conference call.

General Education Courses

SEMESTER OFFERED	COURSE	TITLE (CREDIT HOURS)	PREREQUISITES
F,Sp,Su	ACA 111 or ACA 122	College Student Success (1) or College Transfer Success (1)	None
F,Sp,Su	BIO 275	Microbiology (4)	BIO 110, BIO 111, BIO 163, BIO 165, or BIO 168
F,Sp,Su	BUS 137	Principles of Management (3)	None
F,Sp,Su	CIS 110	Introduction to Computers (3)	None
F,Sp,Su	ENG 111	Writing and Inquiry (3)	DRE 097 or ENG 002 or BSP 4002; Coreq: ENG 011 if applicable
F,Sp,Su	ENG 112 or COM 231	Writing/Research in the Disc (3) or Public Speaking (3)	ENG 112: ENG 111 COM 231: None
	Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	Choose one course from the following: ART 111, DRA 111, ENG 231, ENG 232, HUM 110, HUM 115, MUS 110, PHI 240, REL 110, or REL 212.	
	Natural Sciences/Math Elective	Choose one group from the following: [BIO 163 and MAT 143] or [BIO 168 and BIO 169]	
F,Sp,Su	PSY 150 or SOC 210	General Psychology (3) or Introduction to Sociology (3)	DRE 098 or ENG 002 with grade P1

You must be formally admitted to the Surgical Technology Program at ECC to take SUR courses.

SEMESTER	COURSE	TITLE (CREDIT HOURS)		SEMESTER	COURSE	TITLE (CREDIT HOURS)
Fall I	SUR 110	Intro to Surgical Technology (3)		Fall II	SUR 210	Adv SUR Clinical Practice (2)
Fall I	SUR 111	Perioperative Patient Care (7)		Fall II	SUR 211	Adv Theoretical Concepts (2)
Spring I	SUR 122	Surgical Procedures I (6)				
Spring I	SUR 123	Surgical Clinical Practice (7)				
Summer I	SUR 134	Surgical Procedures II (5)				
Summer I	SUR 135	Surgical Clinical Practice II (4)				

Total Credits for AAS Degree (awarded by VGCC): 67
A grade of C or better is required in all courses to graduate from ECC's Surgical Technology Program.

Students admitted to health sciences programs are required to complete a clinical practicum. Clinical facilities may require criminal background checks, drug screenings, credit checks, professional license checks, and/or proof of US citizenship prior to or during participation in the clinical portion of a program. Any expenses associated with these requirements are the responsibility of the student. Pending the outcome, clinical facilities may deny a student the opportunity to complete the clinical portion of a program. A student who is unable to complete the clinical portion of a program will not be able to graduate. Criminal background checks, drug screenings, credit checks, professional license checks, and/or proof of US citizenship may also be required after graduation by examination boards, state licensing boards, and employment agencies. Pending the outcome, a graduate may be disqualified from examination eligibility, state licensure, and/or employment.

Students admitted to health sciences programs are required to have a physical examination to determine if they are physically and emotionally capable of performing the essential functions of the program and must submit a completed medical form. A record of immunizations, including, but not limited to, an annual Influenza vaccine and the COVID-19 vaccine must be included with the medical form. A medical or religious exemption for vaccines must be approved by the clinical site(s). PCC does not grant vaccine exemptions in lieu of the clinical site(s) and does not guarantee vaccine exemptions will be approved by the clinical site(s).

Programs at PCC that prepare students for professional licensure are designed to prepare a student to apply for applicable licensure in North Carolina. In order to ensure whether the program meets requirements for professional licensure outside North Carolina, PCC recommends the student contact the program director prior to enrolling in the program.

It is the policy of PCC not to discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, handicap, religion, age, or national origin in the recruitment and admission of students; the recruitment, employment, training, and promotion of faculty and staff; and the operation of any of its programs and activities, as specified by federal laws and regulations. PCC is an equal opportunity institution.

Health Sciences admissions policies are not to be regarded as an irrevocable contract between PCC and students. PCC reserves the right to change any provisions or requirements at any time. Every effort will be made to minimize the inconvenience such changes create for students.