Surgical Technology Program
Program Code - 50400
1330 clock hours
Surgical Technologist

- *Surgical technologists*, also called *scrubs* and *surgical* or *operating room technicians*, assist in surgical operations under the supervision of surgeons, registered nurses, or other surgical personnel. Surgical technologists are members of operating room teams, which most commonly include surgeons, anesthesiologists, and circulating nurses.

- Before an operation, surgical technologists help prepare the operating room by setting up surgical instruments and equipment, sterile drapes, and sterile solutions. They assemble both sterile and non-sterile equipment, as well as check and adjust it to ensure that it is working properly. Technologists also get patients ready for surgery by washing, shaving, and disinfecting incision sites. They transport patients to the operating room, help position them on the operating table, and cover them with sterile surgical drapes. Technologists also observe patients’ vital signs, check charts, and help the surgical team put on sterile gowns and gloves.

- During surgery, technologists pass instruments and other sterile supplies to surgeons and surgical assistants. They may hold retractors, cut sutures, and help count sponges, needles, supplies, and instruments. Surgical technologists help prepare, care for, and dispose of specimens taken for laboratory analysis and help apply dressings. Some operate sterilizers, lights, or suction machines and help operate diagnostic equipment.

Source: www.bls.gov
Treasure Coast Job Growth

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<th>Region</th>
<th>2014 Jobs</th>
<th>2024 Jobs</th>
<th>Change</th>
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<td>Regional Total</td>
<td>164</td>
<td>219</td>
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<td>State Total</td>
<td>6,516</td>
<td>8,098</td>
<td>1,582</td>
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Source: EMSI Complete Employment - 2018
This 12-month program provides the student with the technical ability, knowledge, and skills required for entry-level employment as a member of the health care team in any hospital operating room or outpatient surgical center.

Program Goals and Outcomes: Minimum Expectations

1. To prepare competent entry-level surgical technologists in the cognitive (knowledge), psychomotor (hands-on skills), and affective (professional behavior; conduct) learning domains.

2. Students will demonstrate knowledge, skills, and behavior expectations based on the (IRSC) Indian River State College mission, program performance standards, program philosophy and ethics, and the (AST) Association of Surgical program philosophy and ethics, and the (AST) Association of Surgical Technology’s most current Core Curriculum for Surgical Technology.
## Program Deadlines

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<td><strong>Full time cohort</strong></td>
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**INDIAN RIVER STATE COLLEGE**
Application Process

• Complete the College application for admission online.

• Meet w/ academic advisor to complete the student advisement form.

• Request high school, former school and/or college transcripts to be sent to Admissions.

• Complete the online Surgical Technology Program Application and pay the $30 fee.
Selection Process

• Selection is based off of a first come first served basis.

• All application documents, fees and transcripts must be received to be considered.

• Students will be notified via RiverMail.
For more information on how to activate your RiverMail, password reset or the steps to forward your RiverMail please click on the link below.

RiverMail Access Information
Provisional Acceptance

1. Health Science Programs are limited access programs, therefore; students provisionally selected based on minimum requirements are not fully accepted until they successfully pass Drug/Background Check and Physical Examination.

2. Students will be notified via River Mail of acceptance status after application deadline.

3. Upon notification from HS department, submit a non-refundable $100 check payable to IRSC Health Science Dept.

4. Submit Physical Exam Form complete with immunizations document.

Disclaimer: Wait until you are provisionally accepted before completing above steps 3 & 4.
Curriculum Full Time Track

To locate the Surgical Technology curriculum please go to the IRSC website. Follow the steps below:
1. Go to www.irsc.edu
2. Click on “Programs & Careers”
3. Click on “Health Sciences/How to Apply”
4. Click on “Surgical Technology”
5. Select Guided Pathway
# Program Expenses

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<td>Health Science Application Fee</td>
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<td>Drug &amp; Background Screen</td>
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<td>(AST) Association of Surgical Technology Membership</td>
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<td><strong>Total (Approximately)</strong></td>
<td>$6,667.00</td>
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This program is financial aid eligible.

1. Visit the IRSC Financial Aid website.

2. Apply for financial aid by filling out a FAFSA application.

3. Apply for any and all scholarships you may qualify for.
For more information:

www.irsc.edu

Click on Programs & Careers
Click on Health Sciences/How to Apply
Click on Surgical Technology Program

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