MTECH SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY

INFORMATION SESSION

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WHAT IS A SURGICAL TECHNOLOGIST?

A **Surgical Technologist** is a vital member of the surgical team who works alongside surgeons, anesthesiologists, and nurses to ensure every procedure is safe, efficient, and successful.

Our expertise lies in maintaining sterility and safeguarding patient safety — preparing operating rooms, arranging instruments, and anticipating the needs of the surgeon before they even ask.

From setting up life-saving equipment to passing instruments with precision, Surgical Technologists keep the flow of surgery seamless. It's a career for those who thrive under pressure, love working hands-on, and want to make a direct difference in patients' lives **every single day**. Whether it's a routine procedure or a high-stakes emergency, surgical technologists are there at the heart of the action.

IMPORTANT DATES

- APPLICATION Period
- October 20th through November 20th.
- ORIENTATION Date
- December 8th at 2pm in Lehi
- FIRST DAY OF CLASS
- January 5th, 2026
- HOW TO APPLY:



HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONS ADVISING RESOURCE HUB

Do you have questions about Financial Aid or Scholarships?

- Call 801-753-4105
- Email financialaid@mtec.edu

Do you have questions for an advisor?

- Bronwyn Bates Email: Bronwyn.bates@mtec.edu
- 385-287-2041

SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM SEATS AND AVERAGE SALARY INFO

How many seats per application period?

The Surgical Technology Program currently accepts UP TO 16 students per class. Those selected will begin class on January 5th, 2026. On average, the program has about 60 to 100 students apply in a single application period.

Program Cost: \$4,889 Approximately

This includes uniforms, books, tuition and other miscellaneous costs.

Salary Information

The starting base pay in Utah/Salt Lake Counties for new graduates was between \$24-\$30/hour

The median hourly wage, in Utah, for surgical technologists was \$27.12 according to the AST 2024 Salary Map

Where can I learn more about this program?

https://mtec.edu/programs/surgicaltechnology/

ADMISSION RANKING

• THE SELECTION COMMITTEE (NOT THE ADVISOR) CALCULATES AN ADMISSIONS RANKING FOR EACH STUDENT WHO COMPLETES AN APPLICATION. THE RANKING IS MADE UP FROM THE RUBRIC ON THE RIGHT. THIS RUBRIC IS ALSO AVAILABLE ON THE SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY WEBPAGE.

Surgical Technology Program Application Rubric (Weighted, 100 Points Total)

Category	Criteria	Point
Interview	Demonstrates maturity, responsibility, and readiness for the program and healthcare field	20 pts
	Communicates clearly and professionally	10 pts
	Shows strong motivation and basic understanding of surgical tech duties	10 pts
	Overall fit for program culture and clinical expectations	10 pts
Essay	Clearly explains motivation and passion for the career	15 pts
	Organized, thoughtful, and follows all formatting guidelines	10 pts
Resume or CV	Relevant healthcare or service-based experience	5 pts
	Professional format and clarity	5 pts
Background Check, Drug Screen & Immunizations	Completed, clear, and submitted on time	5 pts
Application Completeness & Timeliness	All required items submitted correctly and before the deadline	5 pts
Bonus (Optional)	Previous Applicant	+2 pts
	Information Session	+1 pts
	Strong letters of recommendation (max 2 pts)	+2 pts

SELECTION NOTIFICATION: CANDIDATES AND SELECTION INTO PROGRAM

When Will I Be Notified?

 Applicants selected for interviews will be notified by 5pm on the application closing date.

Selection Into The Program

 Acceptance Notification of the selected 16 applicants are sent on the final day of interviews.

- It is important to remember that selection is based on how each applicant compares with others in the applicant pool for this program.
- The selection committee notifies all candidates by email of their admission status (accepted, not accepted, or incomplete). It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the correct email has been provided.

ELIGIBILITY

Must register with MTECH

- To be eligible to apply for the Surgical Technology program, the student must first be a current MTECH student.
- Individuals that have not applied to the college may follow this link: <u>Apply Here</u> to begin the process.
- Once you have registered with MTECH you may apply to the Surgical Technology Program (step 4 on the Surgical Technology webpage)

Immunizations/Screenings

- These MUST be submitted with your application and completed prior to the end of the application cycle. They are currently as follows:
- **√HEPATITIS B**
- ✓MMR
- **√TDAP**
- √Varicella
- √Influenza (Seasonal)
- √QuantiFERON-TB Gold Test
- √Covid-19 Vaccination (Select Hospital Requirement)

*Some of these immunizations take up to 6 months to complete (Hep B), it is best to get started NOW, or you can't start the program.

ELIGIBILITY CONTINUED

Background and Drug Screen

 Background and Drug Screen will be completed through Verified Credentials. Results must be completed before the application deadline has ended (3pm)

SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM SCHEDULE/LENGTH

Course hours:

- Lecture: Monday and Thursday 7:30am 1:30pm
- Lab: Tuesday and Wednesday 7:30am 1:30pm
- Clinical Externship: Monday Friday 6:30am 3:30pm

This is a Full-Time Program

• Students need to be able to commit to a full-time schedule for **NINE Months** consecutively. Part-time or distance learning options are not available.

Students will receive an TS-C upon completion of the program and passing the National Exam.

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