



# SURGERY TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

**To qualify for financial aid and to receive program updates, submit item #2 and complete the Accuplacer Assessment test immediately (see back for details). Students who complete the above steps and are currently enrolled in a BTC course may be eligible to register by appointment before the general public.**

**To be eligible for program entry on a space available basis you must submit a complete packet containing all of the following items. Forms can be downloaded from the BTC website at: [www.btc.ctc.edu](http://www.btc.ctc.edu) Student Resources/Admissions & Advising/Publications & Forms.**

1. The "Surgery Technology Application Completion Form" verifying completion of all admissions steps.
2. Admissions Application identifying the year and quarter you want to start. New students are admitted to the Surgery Technology program in the fall quarter as full-time students only.
3. The Applicant Notification: Washington State Patrol Criminal History Background Check form.
4. Evidence of high school graduation or its equivalent (high school diploma, high school transcript, GED certificate, or college degree) or Running Start Referral Form.
5. Official transcripts in sealed envelopes containing evidence of completion of the courses listed below. BTC transcripts can be unofficial.

Surgery Technology General Education Courses	Credits	Grade	Prerequisite Requirements
Oral & Written Communications (COM170) or English Composition (ENGL& 101)*	5	2.0	Reading & Sentence Skills assessment scores
Occupational Math (MATH 100) or Math in Society (MATH& 107)* or Pre-calculus I (MATH& 141)* or Introduction to Statistics (MATH& 146)*	5	2.0	Arithmetic or College Level Math assessment score
Interpersonal Communications (CMST&210) or General Psychology (PSYC& 100)*	5	2.0	Reading & Sentence Skills assessment scores
Fundamentals of Medical Terminology (HT 126) or Comprehensive Medical Terminology (HT 129)	5	2.0	
General Biology w/Lab (BIOL& 160)	5	2.0	COM 170, ENGL& 101, or assessment scores
Human A&P 1 (BIOL& 241) (Must be no older than 5 years at the time you are eligible for placement on the program wait list)	5	2.0	General Biology w/lab (BIOL& 160)
Human A&P 2 (BIOL& 242) (Must be no older than 5 years at the time you are eligible for placement on the program wait list)	5	2.0	Human A&P 1(BIOL& 241)
HIV/AIDS: Healthcare Professional (HLTH 133)	1	P	

\*Courses with an asterisk are general education course options required for an Associate in Applied Science-Transfer (AAS-T) degree. In addition, to receive the AAS-T degree students must also complete an additional 5-credit transfer-level science, social science or humanities elective course. Please see an advisor for course options and further details.

**Send program application materials & transcripts to:**  
**Bellingham Technical College**  
**ATTN: ADMISSIONS**  
**3028 Lindbergh Avenue**  
**Bellingham, WA 98225**

**Financial Aid Eligibility**

If you are attending Bellingham Technical College to obtain your general education requirements, you may apply for financial aid to help defray the cost of course work. In order to determine your eligibility for aid, you will need to complete the following two requirements **prior** to submitting a complete packet **in addition** to filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA):

- A. Take the Accuplacer assessment tests (or be waived from them) to determine course and program placement. The assessment tests are offered four times weekly at a variety of days and times. Call 360-752-8345 to schedule a testing appointment or to inquire about test waiver.
- B. Submit a Degree/Certificate Program Admissions Application identifying the year and quarter you want to start.

**Once a program seat becomes available for you:**

After acceptance into the Surgery Technology program, and **prior to enrollment in SURG 120**, you are required to:

- Demonstrate satisfactory health status by a physical examination within the preceding six months, including current immunizations.
- Submit \$10 payment for the criminal background check processing fee
- Complete an 11-panel drug screen for prohibited substances.
- Possess and maintain a current CPR card. Minimum CPR required is Adult Heartsaver (3 hrs.)
- Show proof of personal health insurance (student accident insurance is available).
- Be eighteen (18) years of age prior to the start of the clinical coursework (SURG 120).

**Sequence & Schedule:**

**Quarter 1**

HO 105	Pharmacology	2
SURG 120	Surgery Technology I	10
SURG 125	Surgery Technology Lab	10

**Quarter 2**

SURG 133	Surgery Technology II	10
SURG 136	Surgery Tech Clinical Practice I	12

**Quarter 3**

SURG 143	Surgery Technology III	6
SURG 145	Surgery Tech Clinical Practice II	10

- The Surgery Technology program begins in fall quarter and ends the following spring quarter totaling three consecutive quarters. Students are generally in class from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm.
- The Surgery Technology program courses are sequenced and require a grade of **C+ or 78% in each course** to progress to the next quarter.
- The general education courses you completed prior to beginning Surgery Technology courses are included in the credit total of 96 credits.

***If you have questions or need additional information about the assessment or admissions process, please feel free to contact Admissions at 360-752-8345.***