

SRTC 278

Surgical Technology Clinical Externship

7 Credits

Community College of Baltimore County
Common Course Outline

Description

SRTC 278 – Surgical Technology Clinical Externship: allows the student to apply the skills and knowledge obtained in the classroom and laboratory setting to actual surgical procedures and patients in the operating room within an affiliated clinical facility. Students participate in direct patient care under the supervision of nurses, surgeons, and surgical technologists.

Pre-requisites: SRTC 210

Co-requisites: SRTC 250

Overall Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. demonstrate appropriate professional ethics and behavior while on clinical duty;
2. employ proper use and care of surgical equipment, instruments and supplies;
3. display good patient care and proper customer relations;
4. anticipate and follow through on responsibilities and behaviors;
5. assist with stocking, cleaning, and room preparation as required;
6. validate accountability to assigned clinical area by reporting to assigned area on time and remaining available throughout scheduled time;
7. promote interest in learning by being proactive in surgical procedures at clinical facilities by asking pertinent questions;
8. demonstrate a professional appearance and demeanor by maintaining a well-groomed appearance, practicing appropriate personal hygiene, wearing proper identification badges, adhering to dress code, and interacting with patients and staff on a courteous, professional level;
9. perform clinical coursework in accordance with the mandated surgical case requirements; and
10. employ entry level knowledge and skills required to successfully scrub surgical procedures in the surgical categories, as mandated by core curriculum requirements.

Major Topics

- I. Scrubbing for various surgical procedures
- II. Surgical case planning and management
- III. Surgical conscience
- IV. Sterility and aseptic technique
- V. Anticipation of surgical teams' needs
- VI. Professionalism
- VII. Health Information Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)

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Course Requirements

Grading will be determined by the individual faculty member, but shall include the following, at minimum:

- Completion of a minimum of 120 required surgical procedures as directed by the National Board for Surgical Technologist and Surgical Assistants (NBSTSA) core curriculum of surgical technology
- Individual written assignment of self-reflection
- Fifteen weekly submissions of self-evaluations
- Fifteen weekly submissions of peer-evaluations
- Six surgical case reports
- Ten journal entries on clinical experience
- Weekly submission of clinical case paperwork

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