

# Surgical Technology (ST) Pre-Requisites & Other Requirements

All students are advised to meet with a Counselor regarding Degree requirements

Class	Course #	Units	Prerequisites
<b>*Human Anatomy</b>	BIOL 260	4 w/lab	<b>Required before BIOL 260:</b> BIO 100 & 101. Recommended: RDG 158 (or) ENGL-C1000.
<b>*Microbiology</b>	BIOL 265	4 w/lab	<b>Required before BIOL 265:</b> BIO 100 & 101; CHEM 100, 102 (or) 170. Recommended: RDG 158 (or) ENGL-C1000.
<b>Medical Terminology</b>	MEDOP 230	3	Recommended: RDG 158
<b>**Intro to Statistics (Formerly MATH 119) (or) Statistics for Behavioral Sciences</b>	**STAT-C1000 (or) PSYC 270 (or) SOC 270 (or) Equivalent	4 3 3	<b>Required before STAT-C1000:</b> Intermediate algebra proficiency, as determined through the Southwestern College Multiple Measures Process. <b>Required before PSYC 270 or SOC 270:</b> MATH 115 or Intermediate algebra proficiency, as determined through the Southwestern College Multiple Measures Process.
<b>**Academic Reading and Writing (Formerly ENGL 115) (or) **Critical Thinking and Argument (Formerly ENGL 116)</b>	**ENGL-C1000 (or) Equivalent (or) **ENGL-C1001	4	<b>Placement</b> through the Southwestern College multiple measures placement process.
<b>Interpersonal Communication</b>	COMM 174	3	None
<b>**Intro to Psychology (Formerly PSYC 101)</b>	**PSYC-C1000	3	None
<b>Select one Arts and Humanities General Education (GE) course</b>		3	The Arts and Humanities GE course must be passed with a grade of "C" or better or "Pass." For a list of courses, reference the SWC Catalog and/or see a counselor.
<b>Select one Ethnic Studies course</b>		3	The Ethnic Studies course must be passed with a grade of "C" or better or "Pass." For a list of courses, reference the SWC Catalog and/or see a counselor.

♦ 10-20 Students accepted every Fall (3 semesters total)   ♦ 31 units   ♦ Estimated Total Cost: \$ 2,900-\$3,060

**POINT SYSTEM IS USED FOR PROGRAM ADMISSION**

**Application Period for ST class that begins Fall 2026: May 4 - June 18, 2026**

\*Science prerequisites do not expire for ST Program.

\*\*Effective Fall 2025, The California Community College system will have the same course titles and numbers for all community colleges. The program will accept either the old course or the new common course number, whichever is reflected on the transcript.

+STAT-C100 (Formerly Math 119) or PSYC/SOC 270 is the required math for those applying to Surgical Tech. with a program acceptance & start date effective Fall 2025. Math 60/70/72 will no longer be accepted.

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