



Surgical Technology

Do you like working with the latest technology and being a part of a team? Then, becoming a Certified Surgical Technologist (CST) may be the right career for you! A CST is an integral member of the team of medical practitioners who provide surgical care to patients before, during, and after surgery.

At McLennan, you can become trained as a surgical technologist in only one year. You'll earn a Certificate of Completion and be prepared to take the national certification exam, so you can begin your career.

What You'll Get

- Classroom, laboratory, and clinic experience using the latest technology and techniques
- Professors dedicated to your success

What You'll Learn

- Operating room preparation to create and maintain a sterile field

- Organizational skills in the operating room
- Instruments and supplies used in the operating room for different procedures
- How to anticipate needs of the patient and surgeons to facilitate a safe surgical environment

What the Program Asks of You

- Dedication to the program through attendance and participation
- Attendance at all scheduled practice and skills labs
- Professionalism and team work

Admission Requirements

- Admission is competitive, and typically applicants must score higher than the minimum requirements to be accepted
- Attendance at a Surgical Technology information session
- Complete prerequisite courses with a GPA of 2.5 and a cumulative GPA of 2.25
- Fulfillment of Texas Success Initiative requirements
- Completion the ATI TEAS exam with a score of 59 or better





Compassionate care: the hallmark of your health education

How to Apply

Applications must be completed and turned in by June 1 deadline for the following academic year.

- Complete the McLennan application
- Complete the Surgical Technology application
- Complete the Surgical Technology application checklist

Clinical Experiences

You'll get a chance to earn valuable experience in different surgical settings by completing an average of 896 hours of clinical practicums.

Clinicals involve requirements above and beyond normal classroom obligations.

- You must be able to travel to assigned clinical sites.
- Transportation expenses are your responsibility (clinical sites are in Waco, Temple, Gatesville, & Clifton).

You must complete a drug screen and background check before being cleared for clinicals.

Financial Aid

If you are interested in applying for financial aid, please complete the FAFSA at www.fafsa.gov. For more information about financial aid, go to

www.mclennan.edu/financial-aid or call McLennan's Highlander Central at 254-299-8622.

Gainful Employment Information

Important information about the educational debt, earnings, and completion rates of students in this programs is available at www.mclennan.edu/gainful-employment/.

Learn More

To find out more about the Surgical Technology program at McLennan, visit www.mclennan.edu/health-professions/surgical-technology/.

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For students in these programs who may have a criminal background, please be advised that the background could keep you from being licensed by the State of Texas. If you have a question about your background and licensure, please speak with your faculty member or program director. You also have the right to request a criminal history evaluation letter from the applicable licensing agency.

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