

Surgical Services Program Roadmap

Use this roadmap to guide your progress and keep you moving toward graduation.

- ☒ **Avoid surprises** – Meet with your advisor each term to monitor your progress and address concerns early.
- ☒ **Review course requirements** – Check course prerequisites, corequisites, and conditions before registering each term to ensure you meet all requirements and stay on track for graduation.
- ☒ **Stay eligible** – Maintain your GPA and complete required courses to remain in good standing.
- ☒ **Graduate on time** – Stay on schedule to avoid delays and excess credit hours that may not be covered by financial aid.

About the Program

Credit Hours: 64 total credit hours (including prerequisite coursework). Total hours may vary based on individual academic plan. Prior to enrolling in classes, please meet with an advisor for specific guidance about your individual academic plan.

Application Procedure

This is a Limited/Selective Access program. Admission to this program is limited and is based on academic performance and other criteria. Admissions preference is given to fully qualified candidates who have met all entrance criteria, including the satisfaction of prerequisite courses. Should seats remain available in the program cohort, applicants who fulfill admissions criteria prior to the start of the program will be considered next. See the program webpage for [additional admissions information](#).

To meet the minimum requirements for consideration and acceptance to the Surgical Services program, students must:

- ☐ Be at least 18 years of age.
- ☐ Complete a Florida State College at Jacksonville application.
- ☐ Complete a Surgical Services program application and submit to the Health Career Advising by the published deadline.
- ☐ Complete the required prerequisite coursework (10 credits) with a grade of C or higher:
- ☐ Provide evidence of current CPR certification (adult, child and infant) achieved through an American Heart Association approved Basic Life Support (BLS) course for Healthcare Providers that includes hands-on simulated experiences.

Upon acceptance to the program, students must

- ☐ Submit to a criminal background check.
- ☐ Submit to a drug screening.
- ☐ Submit a physical examination.

Note: Admissions preference is given to fully qualified candidates who have met all entrance criteria, including the satisfaction of prerequisite courses. Should seats remain available in the program cohort, applicants who fulfill admissions criteria prior to the start of the program will be considered next, followed by those with the highest number of completed prerequisite courses. Qualified applicants with pending prerequisite course requirements will receive a conditional acceptance letter outlining the remaining criteria for full program admission.

Application Deadline(s)

- Fall term deadline: May 15th of each year.
- Spring term deadline: September 15th of each year.

Minimum Grade Requirement(s)

A minimum grade of C or higher is required in:

- ☐ All Prerequisite coursework
- ☐ All Professional coursework
- ☐ All General Education coursework

Stay on Track

Meet the associate in science degree graduation requirements:

- ☐ Complete all academic requirements for this program outlined in the Florida State College at Jacksonville catalog and curriculum.
- ☐ Earn a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 (C) at Florida State College at Jacksonville in courses applicable to the Associate in Science degree programs, excluding developmental education courses.
- ☐ Earn an all-college cumulative grade point average of 2.0 (C) on a 4.0 scale on all courses attempted. This includes Florida State College at Jacksonville college-credit semester hours and transferred credits (excluding developmental education) in lower division courses.
- ☐ Complete at least 25 percent of the total hours required for the program in residence at Florida State College at Jacksonville. Credit by examination and credit for prior learning do not count toward this residency requirement.
- ☐ Complete the required semester hours for the degree, as including a minimum of 15 semester hours in General Education.
- ☐ Demonstrate competency in civic literacy by:
 - ☐ Completing a civic literacy course – AMH 2010, AMH 2020, or POS 2041 – with a grade of C or higher.
 - ☐ Achieving of the required standard score on a state-approved assessment.
- ☐ Earn a grade of a C or higher in each course used to satisfy the general education requirements and any other area designated as requiring a grade of C or higher.
- ☐ Satisfy all financial and other obligations to the College prior to graduation.

More Information Online

Program Webpage: fscj.edu/program?pcode=2167

Program Catalog Page: catalog.fscj.edu/programs/2167.

Prerequisite Coursework

Course	Credits	Course Type	Terms Offered
ENC 1101 – English Composition I or ENC 1101C – English Composition I Enhanced or ENC 1102 – Writing About Texts	3-4	General Education	Fall, Spring, Summer
MAC 1105 – College Algebra or MAC 1105C – College Algebra Enhanced or MAC 1114 – College Trigonometry or MAC 1140 – Precalculus Algebra or MAC 1147 – Precalculus Algebra and Trigonometry or MAC 2233 – Calculus for Business and Social Sciences or MAC 2311 – Calculus With Analytic Geometry I or MAC 2312 – Calculus With Analytic Geometry II or MAC 2313 – Calculus With Analytic Geometry III or MAP 2302 – Differential Equations or MGF 1130 – Mathematical Thinking or STA 2023 – Elementary Statistics	3-5	General Education	Fall, Spring, Summer
BSC 2085C – Human Anatomy and Physiology I	4	General Education	Fall, Spring, Summer

General Education Coursework

Course	Credits	Course Type	Terms Offered
AMH 2010 – United States History to 1877 or AMH 2020 – United States History from 1877 to the Present or POS 2041 – American Federal Government	3	General Education & Civic Literacy	Fall, Spring, Summer
ARH 2000 – Art in the Humanities or HUM 2020 – Topics in the Humanities or LIT 2000 – Literature in the Humanities or MUL 2010 – Music in the Humanities or PHI 2010 – Philosophy in the Humanities or THE 2000 – Theatre in the Humanities	3	General Education	Fall, Spring, Summer

Sample Roadmap for Admitted Students

Term 1: Fall or Spring

Course	Credits	Course Type	Terms Offered
STS 1538 – Medical Terminology for Surgical Technology	2	Professional	Fall, Spring
BSC 2086C – Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4	General Education	Fall, Spring, Summer
STS 1307C – Surgical Sciences and Instrumentation	2	Professional	Fall, Spring

Term 2: Spring or Summer

Course	Credits	Course Type	Terms Offered
STS 1302 – Introduction to Surgical Technology	4	Professional	Spring, Summer
STS 1302L – Introduction to Surgical Technology Lab	2	Professional	Spring, Summer
STS 1310 – Surgical Principles and Techniques	4	Professional	Spring, Summer
STS 1310L – Surgical Principles and Techniques Lab	2	Professional	Spring, Summer
STS 1340 – Pharmacology and Anesthesia	2	Professional	Spring, Summer
STS 2365 – Perioperative Professionalism and Teamwork	2	Professional	Spring, Summer

Term 3: Summer or Fall

Course	Credits	Course Type	Terms Offered
STS 2953 – Surgical Technology Portfolio	1	Professional	Fall, Summer
STS 2323 – Surgical Procedures I	4	Professional	Fall, Summer
STS 2323L – Surgical Procedures I Lab	2	Professional	Fall, Summer
STS 2324 – Surgical Procedures II	4	Professional	Fall, Summer
STS 2324L – Surgical Procedures II Lab	2	Professional	Fall, Summer

Term 4: Fall or Spring

Course	Credits	Course Type	Terms Offered
STS 2936 – Surgical Certification Symposium	1	Professional	Fall, Spring
STS 2944C – Surgical Technology Clinical I	4	Professional	Fall, Spring
STS 2945C – Surgical Technology Clinical II	4	Professional	Fall, Spring