

NON-EXPERIENCED APPLICANT – OPTION 1 ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE DEGREE COURSE REQUIREMENTS and CURRICULUM PLAN

Courses that may be taken prior to entering OR during the Surgical First Assistant Program and must be completed with a "C", or higher, are indicated below. Students are strongly encouraged to take as many of these courses as possible prior to entering the Surgical First Assistant Program.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Prefix	Course Name	Credits	
BSC 2085	Anatomy and Physiology I	3	Required completion before Semester 1
BSC 2085L	Anatomy and Physiology I Lab	1	Required completion before Semester 1
HSC1531	Medical Terminology	2	Required completion before Semester 1
BSC 2086	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	3	Required completion by end of Semester 1
BSC 2086L	Human Anatomy and Physiology II Lab	1	Required completion by end of Semester 1
XXX XXXX	College-level Math (MAC, MGF, or STA prefix)	3	Required completion before Semester 1
XXX XXXX	POS 2041 American National Government or AMH 2020 United States History II	3	Required completion before Semester 1
ENC 1101	English Composition I	3	Required completion before Semester 1
XXX XXXX	Course in Humanities I, II, or III (designated by • in College Catalog)	3	Preferred completion before/by end of Semester 5
PSY 2012 Psychology or SYG 2000 Sociology		3	Preferred completion before/by end of Semester 3

SURGICAL FIRST ASSISTANT CORE COURSES

Fall			Spring		
Semester 1			Semester 2		
Prefix	Course Name	Credits	Prefix	Course Name	Credits
HSC 1000	Orientaion to Perioperative Services	3	STS 1310	Surgical Techniques and Procedures	5
HSC 1000L	Orientaion to Perioperative Services Lab	1	STS 1310L	Surgical Techniques and Procedures Lab	2
HSC 2520	Microbiology for Periop Services	3	STS 1340C	Pharmacology and Anesthesia	3
*BSC 2086 and BSC 2086L may be taken this semester for an additional 4 credits	Total 7		STS 1940C	Intro to Surgery Clinical	2
				Total 12	
Summer			Fall		
Semester 3			Semester 4		
Prefix	Course Name	Credits	Prefix	Course Name	Credits
STS 2323	Surgical Procedures I	4	STS 2324	Surgical Procedures II	3
STS 2323L	Surgical Simulation Lab I	1	STS 2324L	Surgical Procedures II Lab	1
STS 2361	The Art of Teamwork in Surgery	1	STS 2365	Professional Skills for the OR Team	1
STS 2944C	Surgical Clinical I	3	STS 2945C	Surgical Clinical II	3
STS 2953	Surgical Technologist Portfolio I	1	STS 2936	Surgical Certification Symposium	1
* PSY2012 or SYG2000 may be taken this semester for an additional 3 credits.	Total 10		STS 2330C	Principles of Surgical Assisting	2
			STS 2954	Surgical Technologist Portfolio II	1
				Total 12	
Spring					
Semester 5					
Prefix	Course Name	Credits			
STS 2335	Advanced Integrated Surgical Sciences	2			
STS 2336	Advanced Surgical Procedures for the SA	2			
STS 2370	Surgical Assisting Clinical I	2			
STS 2366 OR STS 2367	Professional Skills for the SA OR Management in Healthcare	2			
*Humanities may be taken this semester for an additional 3 credits.	Total 8				
TOTAL CREDITS:			74		

CST APPLICANT – OPTION 2 College Credit Certificate (CCC) COURSE ENROLLMENTS AND CURRICULUM PLAN

Articulation for the CST to CSFA Student (CCC and AS Degree):

All students must demonstrate proof of 8 college credits of Anatomy and Physiology with labs either through transfer credits or course completion.

Students who are military trained or maintain a nationally accredited certification as a surgical technologist (CST) through the National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting can enter the SFA program via this GCSC Articulation as a second-year student. Up to 45 college credits may be awarded by submission of their portfolio and validated proof of a nationally accredited and current certification as a surgical technologist (CST) and/or military proof of surgical technology training.

*Note: According to state law, Residency requires 25% of the program credits must be taken at GCSC (15 credits for CCC; 19 credits for AS Degree). However, if any of the above are transfer credits, the student may be required to take additional program classes to meet that residency requirement.

Semester 1			Semester 2		
Prefix	Course Name	Credits	Prefix	Course Name	Credits
HSC 2520	Microbiology for Periop Services (Review)	3	STS 2330C	Principles of Surgical Assisting	2
STS 1340C	Pharmacology and Anesthesia (Review)	3	STS 2335	Advanced Integrated Surgical Sciences	2
STS 2361	The Art of Teamwork in Surgery	1	STS 2370	Surgical Assisting Clinical	2
*HSC 1531	*Medical Terminology can be taken this semester (prn-residency) for an additional 2 credits.		STS 2954	Surgical Technologist Portfolio II-EXTERNAL CREDIT	1
		Total 7			Total 7
Semester 3			Semester 4		
Prefix	Course Name	Credits	Prefix	Course Name	Credits
STS 2336	Advanced Integrated Surgical Sciences	2	*A&P II with Lab, prn		
STS 2365	Professional Skills for the OR Team	1			
STS 2936	Surgical Certification Symposium	1			
*A&P I with Lab, prn		Total 4			
CCC Option-Total Credits (*including credits for A&P)					26

CST APPLICANT AS DEGREE COURSE ENROLLMENTS AND CURRICULUM PLAN

In addition to the above courses, students seeking the AS Degree option will need to complete the following courses prior to Graduation.

Prefix	Course Name
STS 2367	Management in Healthcare
XXX XXXX	College-level Math (MAC, MGF, or STA prefix)
XXX XXXX	POS 2041 American National Government or AMH 2020 United States History II
ENC 1101	English Composition I
XXX XXXX	Course in Humanities I, II, or III (designated by • in College Catalog)
PSY 2012	Psychology or SYG 2000 Sociology
AS Degree -Total Credits (*including credits for A&P)	
43	