Students applying for admission to the Surgical Technology Program must complete the following:

1. Attend one *mandatory* Information Session. Due to COVID-19, online Information Sessions will be conducted until further notice.
   - Wednesday, December 2, 2020   3-5 pm
   - Wednesday, January 6, 2021   3-5 pm
   - Wednesday, February 3, 2021   3-5 pm
   - Wednesday, March 3, 2021   3-5 pm
   - Wednesday, April 7, 2021   3-5 pm
   - Wednesday, May 5, 2021   3-5 pm
   - Wednesday, June 2, 2021   3-5 pm

   *Students must attend a Mandatory Information Session before an application will be accepted for entry into the program.*

2. If you are not a current San Jacinto College student, visit the website at https://www.applytexas.org to submit an application.
   - If it has been more than 1 year since attending classes at San Jacinto College, you must renew your application.

3. Complete all of the following prerequisite courses, with a *minimum grade* of “C,” before admission to the program.
   - Meeting minimal entry requirements does not guarantee program admission.
     a. BIOL 2404, Introduction to Anatomy and Physiology **OR**
     i. BIOL 2301/2101 or BIOL 2401, Human Anatomy and Physiology I **AND**
        - BIOL 2302/2102 or BIOL 2402, Human Anatomy and Physiology II
        *Credit for A&P courses must have been earned within the past 5 years*
     b. HPRS 1206, Medical Terminology
     c. HPRS 1201, Introduction to Health Professions – Surgical Technology
     d. MATH 1332, Contemporary Mathematics, (Quantitative Reasoning) (or higher) **or**
     - MATH 1314, College Algebra
     e. ENGL 1301, Composition I

4. After completing all prerequisite courses and attending a mandatory information session, submit an application to the Surgical Technology department by the deadlines posted online. An Official or Unofficial Transcript must be attached to the application.

5. A criminal background check and urine drug screen are to be completed prior to admission, but after acceptance into the Surgical Technology Program.

6. Complete all clinical requirements (vaccinations, physical, proof of CPR, proof of health insurance, etc.), after acceptance into the Surgical Technology Program.

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Department of Surgical Technology
Information regarding the Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree requirements can be found on the San Jacinto College website at http://www.sanjac.edu/career/surgical-technology.

**Surgical Technologists:**
- Work closely with the surgeon, anesthesiologist, and nurse circulator to care for each patient
- Prepare the operating room for sterile surgical procedures
- Maintain the sterile field and assist the surgeon during surgery
- Clear the surgical suite and prepare for the next patient

**Accreditation:**
The surgical technology program is accredited by the Commission for Accreditation for Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP).

**Acceptance:**
The surgical technology program is a selective admission program. A limited number of students will be admitted into the program bi-annually (fall and spring), based on available clinical sites.

Once the prerequisite classes are completed and a student is accepted into the program, students must provide:

- Proof of a Physical Examination on Surgical Technology Department documentation.
- Proof of CPR certification from the American Heart Association – Basic Life Support
- Proof that all immunization series listed below have been completed before entering the program.
  - Tdap within past 10 years
  - Tuberculosis test
  - Varicella/chickenpox (proof of two vaccines) or positive titer result
  - MMR (proof of two vaccines) or positive titer result
  - Hepatitis B series (three vaccines, given over six-month period and positive titer results)
  - Hepatitis C – negative titer results
  - Current flu vaccine
- Proof of Health Insurance
- Criminal Background Check and Drug Screening

**Salary:** $20-$21/hour
- Hospitals, private specialty practices, sales reps or technical specialists, sterile processing, first assist, or Surgical Technology Instructors.