



Tallahassee Memorial Surgical Technology Internship

Course Goals

- To provide an in-depth perspective and hands on training towards a rewarding career as a surgical technologist
- To receive 126 volunteer hours
- To be eligible for hire at TMH after graduation from high school
- To receive tuition assistance while attending college
- To have the opportunity to apply for a scholarship that will pay for your surgical technologist education.

Course Description

- 8 week course consisting of two 8 hr days per week (Tuesday and Thursday) for a total of 126 minimum hours for completion
- Course starts June 13, 2023 through August 3, 2023
- Total of 6 students.
- This course is designed only for those individuals that want to become a certified surgical technologist. If your plan is to attend a 4-year college, then this program is not intended for you.

Course Requirements

- Applicant must be 16 years old and a rising senior or graduating senior
- 1 medical reference and one academic reference
- If no medical reference, then 2 academic references
- Letter of Interest to include short and long-term goals
- Applications due no later than March 3, 2023 to Susan.Branham@TMH.ORG
- Applicant must pass a background check and drug screen.
- Applicant must provide proof of immunizations (MMR (x2): Measles, Mumps and Rubella or lab confirmation of immunity; Chicken Pox (Varicella)→Varivax (x2) or lab confirmation of immunity; Yearly Influenza vaccination; Yearly PPD test)
- Once accepted into the program, applicants will be sent intake paperwork including background check, drug screen and immunization information.

Course Outline

WEEK 1 - Day 1

- Tour of Department
- Assignment of lockers and scrubs
- Review of attire policy
- Review of HIPPA
- Fire Safety DVD
- Surgical Leadership Power Point
- Shadow in the OR

WEEK 1 - Day 2

- Aseptic Technique DVD
 - Demonstrate principles of aseptic technique when opening and dispensing supplies, checking outdates and package integrity.
 - Describe area of sterility of surgical gown.
 - Identifies boundaries of the sterile field.
 - Demonstrate appropriate movement around sterile field.
 - Demonstrate knowledge of event related sterility
- Gowning and Gloving Lab
 - Describe appropriate surgical attire
 - Demonstrate hand scrub (wet and dry)
 - Demonstrate procedure of gowning and gloving (self and others)
- Aseptic Technique Lab
 - Proper opening of instruments and supplies
 - Proper back table set up
- Instrument Familiarization
 - Identify basic instruments
 - Demonstrate proper handling of instruments
- Blood Borne Pathogen Safety

WEEK 2 - Day 1 & 2

- Shadow in Sterile Processing
 - Identify types of sterilization
 - Demonstrate ability to determine if instruments are sterile
 - Describe process for preparing instruments for cleaning.
 - Describe cleaning process.
- 4 in decontamination
- 4 in assembly room
- Alternate plan 4 in SPD 4 in supply chain

WEEK 3 - Day 1 & 2

- Transportation of Patient
- Proper cleaning of the OR suite to include DVD
- How to set up a sterile field
- Passing of instruments

WEEK 4 - Day 1 & 2

- Shadow CST in Center A and B

WEEK 5 - Day 1 & 2

- Shadow CST in Center C and D

WEEK 6 - Day 1 & 2

- Instrument review with test or quiz
- Sterile field set up role play
- Discuss best practice
- Medication and fluid labeling
- Specimens
- Counts
- Time Outs
- Bioburden

WEEK 7 - Day 1

- Shadow CST in Center A and B

WEEK 8 - Day 1

- Shadow CST in Center C and D

WEEK 8 - Day 2

- Wrap up discussion
- Evaluation
- Lunch provided
- Graduation ceremony



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APPLICATION

Name of High School

Grade Level

GPA

Last Name

First Name

Street Address

City

State

Zip

Phone

Email

APPLICATION CHECKLIST:

- ☐ Letter of Intent
- ☐ Student must submit official Letter of Intent describing why he or she is interested in pursuing this internship and what makes them stand out above other candidates.
- ☐ Short Term Goals
- ☐ Goals over the next 12 months
- ☐ Long term Goals
- ☐ Goals over the next 5 years
- ☐ Letters of Recommendation (2)
- ☐ Preferred one academic reference and one medical reference.
- ☐ If no medical reference available, submit 2 academic references.

Application and checklist items must be received no later than March 3, 2023
via email to Susan.Branham@TMH.ORG.