Surgical Technology Program

Student Information and Application Packet for Spring 2016 Intake

(Applications are subject to change from year to year)

Due by 10/30/15

Prior to completing this application students are encouraged to have a personal meeting with the program director to cover in detail information on the program and the surgical technology career field. Since this is one of the most important decisions of your life, our desire is to make sure it is an ‘informed’ decision.

Daisy Gibson, CST
Surgical Technology Program Director
daisy.gibson@gfcmsu.edu
(406) 771-4355
Office R237

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Dear Prospective Surgical Technologist Student:

Thank you for your interest in the Great Falls College MSU Surgical Technology Program. This is an exciting career choice for anyone who desires a career in the medical field. The surgical technology field has historically been a stable high paying job for the amount of education required. Job opportunities have been plentiful world-wide.

Surgical technologists are allied health professionals, who are an integral part of the team of medical practitioners providing surgical care to patients. Surgical technologists work under the supervision of a surgeon to facilitate the safe and effective conduct of invasive surgical procedures, ensuring that the operating room environment is safe, that equipment functions properly, and that the operative procedure is conducted under conditions that maximize patient safety. Surgical technologists possess expertise in the theory and application of sterile and aseptic technique and combine the knowledge of human anatomy, surgical procedures, and implementation tools and technologies to facilitate a physician’s performance of invasive therapeutic and diagnostic procedures. (AST 2013)

Our Surgical Technologist program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) and supported by the Accreditation Review Committee on Educating in Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (ARC-STSA). Upon completion from this program, students will graduate with an Associate of Applied Science degree. You are then qualified to sit for the Certified Surgical Technologist (CST) national exam offered by the National Board of Surgical Technologist and Surgical Assisting (NBSTSA).

Information about the program and application materials for the spring entry is enclosed. Our Surgical Technologist program has a limited, competitive enrollment. It is important to review and understand this process. Please read these materials carefully.

For additional information, answers to specific questions or to set up an appointment, please contact Daisy Gibson, Program Director, at 771-4355 or daisy.gibson@gfcmsu.edu.

Thank you for your interest in our Surgical Technologist Program.

Sincerely,

Daisy

Daisy Gibson, CST
Surgical Technologist Program Director
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**Brief Description and Occupational Outlook**

The surgical technologist functions as an integral member of the surgical team working closely with surgeons, anesthesiologists, registered nurses, and other surgical personnel (AST 1996). Some of the responsibilities include preparation of the operating room, instruments, supplies and equipment prior to the surgical procedure. During the surgical procedure, the technologist passes instruments, supplies, and suture to the surgeon and surgical assistant. The surgical technologist must maintain strong knowledge of human anatomy, allowing them to anticipate the needs of the surgeon in an ever-changing environment.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics ([http://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/surgical-technologists.htm](http://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/surgical-technologists.htm)), employment of surgical technologists is expected to grow 30 percent between 2012 and 2020, much faster than the average for all occupations, as the volume of surgeries increases. The number of surgical procedures is expected to continue to rise as the population grows and ages.

In Montana, the average hourly pay for a surgical technologist is approximately $20.69 per hour (AST). The following information is according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, [http://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/surgical-technologists.htm](http://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/surgical-technologists.htm)

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There is also opportunity to earn additional hourly pay with on-call schedules and shift differentials. The certified technologist can work in various environments such as a large trauma center, out-patient surgical center, surgeon’s office, or veterinarian office. After about one year of experience the certified surgical technologist can work as a ‘traveler’ and travel the world with your lodging expenses paid for.

**GFC MSU Surgical Technology Program Mission, Philosophy & Outcomes**

The Surgical Technology Program provided by Great Falls College Montana State University (GFC MSU) is a student-centered program responsive to the needs of the community, state and nation. The program strives to provide a quality education through lecture, laboratory and preceptor-model clinical experience to produce competent entry-level graduates who will perform their duties ethically and professionally within the guidelines of the profession.

The program is an outcomes based program intended to prepare the student to function in the field of the operating room and successfully complete the certification test resulting in a Certified Surgical Technologist, CST. The graduates of this program will be prepared to:

- Work with surgeons, anesthesiologists, nurses and other health professionals in providing direct or indirect patient care while demonstrating positive work ethic, professionalism and appropriate interpersonal skills in the surgical setting.

- Practice professional, value directed actions based on didactic and clinical knowledge, ethical principles and legal standards as member of the surgical team.

- Organize surgical instrumentation, supplies and equipment in an efficient manner while utilizing principles of aseptic technique for physical preparation and maintenance of the surgical environment.

- Promote lifelong learning fostering the development of professional and personal growth, critical thinking and leadership.

- Demonstrate understanding of biomedical sciences and technology as it applies to the patient focused events that occur in the operating room.

- Meet the Accreditation Review Council on Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (ARCSTSA) benchmark pass rate for the national Certified Surgical Technologist exam.
Great Falls College MSU Surgical Technology Program Outcomes

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*Cohort is the group of students starting the program in January.

Graduation Degree: Associate of Applied Science (AAS) & Certification

Students will graduate with an Associate of Applied Science degree upon completion from this program. As part of the core curriculum, the GFC MSU will administer the NBSTSA national certifying exam. Once you become certified you will be required to maintain that certification by retesting or obtaining 60 continuing education units (CEU’s) every four years. For detailed information on our accrediting and supporting bodies please visit/contact the sites below:

www.caahep.org
1361 Park Street
Clearwater, FL 33756
Phone: 727-210-2350
Fax: 727-210-2354

www.arcstsa.org
6 W. Dry Creek Circle, Suite #110
Littleton, CO 80120
Phone: 303-694-9262
Fax: 303-741-3655

www.ast.org
6 West Dry Creek Circle, Suite 200
Littleton, CO 80120-8031
Phone: 800-637-7433
FAX: 303-694-9169

www.nbstsa.org
6 West Dry Creek Circle, Suite 100
Littleton, Colorado 80120
Phone: 800-707-0057
Fax: 303-325-2536

Equal Opportunity Policy

Great Falls College Montana State University is committed to the provision of equal opportunity for education, employment, and participation in all college programs and activities without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, creed, service in the uniformed services (as defined in state and federal law), veteran status, gender, age, political ideas, marital or family status, physical or mental disability, genetic information, gender identity, gender expression, or sexual orientation. The College’s Equal Opportunity Officers are the Executive Director of Human Resources and the Associate Dean of Student Services, 2100 16th Avenue South, Great Falls, MT 59405. Telephone: 406-771-4300. http://www.gfcmsu.edu/about/policies/PDF/300/302_1.pdf
Surgical Technology Program Expenses

Students should begin planning early for financial aid to meet their educational goals. See the campus catalog for program tuition. In addition to regular college tuition and fees, students will be required to fund/purchase the following during the program:

- textbooks
- workbooks
- identification name tag
- lab fees
- immunizations
- surgical scrubs; 2 pair
- comfortable professional shoes
- transportation costs
- relocation costs, including room and board at distant clinical sites (all considerations will be reviewed before decisions are made for relocating)
- health insurance
- background check $72.50

Information on Background Checks

Great Falls College Montana State University does not require background checks. However, to promote patient safety and decrease institutional liability, most clinical agencies require students to have cleared a background check and/or drug screening before they will permit the students in the clinical setting. To meet these requirements, the College provides this service and requires that the check/screening be done prior to placement in any clinical agency. Background checks/drug screenings are done at the student’s expense. Students with background checks/drug screenings that reveal a finding will be evaluated individually to determine whether they will be eligible for clinical placement for the respective degree program.

Student Health Insurance

All GFC MSU students enrolled for 6 or more credits and/or program students entering the Surgical Technology program are required to have health insurance. For students without coverage, GFC MSU offers a program developed especially for students by Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Montana. This plan provides coverage for injuries and illnesses, on or off campus. Coverage includes hospitalization, maternity, prescription drugs, surgical services, emergency room charges, and immunizations among others. Please contact Student Central for more information.

Student Central
Great Falls College MSU
Phone 406-771-4300
http://students.gfcmsu.edu/insurance.html

Surgical Technology Program Grading

ALL prerequisite courses require a grade of “C-” or higher. Once in the Surgical Technology Program, if a student obtains less than a grade of “Satisfactory” (80%) in any portion, the entire Surgical Technology Program will have to be repeated. This is a very intense program.

Surgical Technology Program Commitment & Schedule

The commitment to this program is made not only by you, but by your family and loved ones. You will be investing as much as 12 to 15 hours a day during clinical rotations within the confines of Monday through Friday, 5:30am to 7pm. You
will be required to take one weekend of call per month which means you will be available to work in the operating room within 20 minutes of a phone call from Saturday at 6am until the following Monday at 7am.

Flexibility is a requirement. Due to your preceptors’ schedule, number of preceptors, operating room schedules, etc., schedules and location of clinical may vary. You may be required to relocate for 6-9 weeks to ensure all students get enough surgical cases.

Admission to Great Falls College MSU

**Students must be admitted to the College prior to the submission of the Surgical Technology Program Application. Therefore, no applications will be reviewed unless the applicant applies first to the College and the official transcripts are reviewed by the Registrar.**

Acceptance to Great Falls College MSU requires a completed admissions application file, which may be obtained by visiting the campus, calling the College (406) 268-3700, or applying online at [http://admissions.gfcmsu.edu/apply.html](http://admissions.gfcmsu.edu/apply.html)

Please call Admissions and Records at 406-268-3700 for any help or questions you may have.

Transferable Courses

General education coursework taken at other education institutions may be designated as equivalent courses for Great Falls College MSU. For a current listing of approved equivalent courses, visit the Transfer Guide at:

[https://atlas.montana.edu:9001/pls/gfagent/hwzkxfer.p_selstate](https://atlas.montana.edu:9001/pls/gfagent/hwzkxfer.p_selstate)

The transferring student must initiate the request for evaluation of credit during the admission procedure by furnishing an official transcript from the transferring institution(s) and the necessary materials, including copies of the appropriate catalog descriptions or course syllabi, to Registrar. Official transcripts must be sent directly by the issuing institution to the following address:

Registrar
Great Falls College MSU
2100 16th Ave S
Great Falls, MT 59405

Surgical Technology Application Requirements

*All eligibility forms and documents are enclosed in the Surgical Technology Program Information and Application Packet for Spring 2016.*

To be eligible to apply for admission into the Surgical Technology Program, applicants must:

- Be admitted to Great Falls College MSU.
- Currently be in Good Academic Standing.
- All prerequisites must have been completed with a “C-“or better.

When applying for admission into the Surgical Technology Program:

- Please note that any documents submitted to the College for application to the Surgical Technology Program become part of the student program file and will not be returned to the student.
- Applicants should keep copies of all documents for their own records. **Please only submit copies of the original documents.**
- It is the responsibility of the student to correctly follow all procedures for application and see that all required materials are submitted. Any late or incomplete applications will not be considered in the application process. Do not send any portion separately; only applicants meeting all requirements will be further evaluated by the selection committee.
- Submission of false material in this Application Packet will be grounds for non-admission or, if discovered after admission, grounds for expulsion.
• Great Falls College MSU does not forward unsuccessful applications to the following year. Applicants must reapply each year.
• Current students may apply in the semester in which they are finishing their prerequisites and may be considered for conditional acceptance if space is available. Final determination will be made after completion of grades at the end of the semester.

The deadline for applications to the Surgical Technology Program is **October 30, 2015**. Completed applications may be delivered to Marybelle Reinhard at the college or mailed to the college.

**Delivered to:**

Marybelle Reinhard  
Administrative Assistant  
to Health Science Division  
Great Falls College MSU  
2100 16th Ave South  
Great Falls, MT 59405  
406-771-4350

**Mailed to:**

Surgical Technology Program Admissions Committee  
Great Falls College MSU  
2100 16th Ave South  
Great Falls, MT 59405
Surgical Technology Curriculum

Prerequisite Courses for the Surgical Technology Program

These courses must be completed with a minimum grade of “C-” prior to formal acceptance into the Surgical Technology program.

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PREQUISITE TOTAL CREDITS 25

*These classes must have been completed within 5 years of applying to the Surgical Technology Program. Other classes must have been completed within 15 years.

**It is strongly encouraged, but not required that students also complete BIOH 211 Human Anatomy & Physiology II/Lab & PHL 221 Intro to Philosophy and Biomedical Ethics prior to applying for the program. If completed before, they too must have been completed within 5 years.

PROGRAM COURSE REQUIREMENTS AFTER FORMAL ACCEPTANCE

Surgical Technology Program: 1st Spring Semester

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Surgical Technology Program: 2nd Spring Semester

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TOTAL CREDITS 15

PROGRAM TOTAL CREDITS 72

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APPLICATION SCORING:

- For applicants, who have taken courses multiple times; the most recent verifiable grade will be used for scoring/GPA calculations.
- Points and GPA’s will be calculated by the Registrar’s Office and grade points will be calculated using the current catalog criteria which includes +/- weighing. The higher the points, the more likely you are to be selected for the program. Grades received are equivalent to the following points:

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- For students, who have Tech Prep (TP) credits, the student’s high school transcript will be evaluated. If the TP course was a semester course, then that grade will be used in scoring/GPA. If the TP course was a yearlong course, then the two semester grades will be averaged to get a final grade for scoring/GPA calculations.
- For students, who have been awarded credit for successful performance in subject examinations of the CLEP or DSST programs, the credits will be accepted, however there is no grade for calculation for scoring or GPA. In this situation, the total points will convert to percentages for ranking.
- For students, who have been awarded credit for successful performance in subject examinations of the AP program, the credits will be accepted for scores of 3, 4 or 5, however there is no grade for calculation for scoring or GPA. In this situation, the total points will convert to percentages for ranking.
- For students, who have been awarded credit for Experiential Learning, the credits will be accepted for Passing (P) grades, however there is no grade for calculation for scoring or GPA. In this situation, the total points will convert to percentages for ranking.
- For students, who have additional educational attainment, the Registrar’s Office will verify degrees awarded from official transcripts.

Notification of Acceptance

All applicants will be notified of their status by letter after the selection process is complete. The letter should arrive within two weeks after the application deadline. A ‘letter of intent’ will be enclosed for the accepted applications and must be signed and returned by the specified date.

Job shadow- This is an opportunity to go to the operating room and watch surgery. This should be scheduled with the program director after acceptance into the program in the fall semester. Additional paperwork and proof of vaccinations will be needed.

Requirements Prior to Clinical Rotations

If accepted into the program additional requirements must be met:

1. Immunization records
2. ‘Health Care Provider’ CPR card
3. Health Insurance, proof (available through Student Services)
4. Background check (provided by Health Science Division)
5. Hepatitis B vaccinations or signed waive
**APPLICATION PACKET COVER SHEET**

**Name** ____________________________________________

Last          First         M.I.

**GFC MSU Student ID:** __________________________________________________________

**Home Address:** ________________________________________________________________

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**E-mail Address:** ________________________________________________________________

**Home Phone** __________________________ (Other) __________________________

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**Check-off list**

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<td><strong>Official Transcripts for all completed post-secondary education/certification’s or degrees</strong> (Send official transcripts to GFC MSU Registrar – no need to include in packet)</td>
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<td><strong>Documentation and Verification of work in the health field with direct patient care</strong>, if applicable, page 14</td>
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SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM
APPLICATION EVALUATION FORM

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**Prerequisite Subtotal:**

**ADDITIONAL POINTS** (Recommend having these prior to beginning ST program, but not REQUIRED prior to beginning program)

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**Additional Points Subtotal:**

**PREVIOUS DEGREES** (Award points for one degree or certificate only) (maximum of 5 points)

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**Previous Degree Subtotal:**

**WORK/VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE** (Maximum of 1 point)

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**Work Experience Subtotal:**

**TOTAL POINTS:**

(total 142 points)

**NOTE:** The number of students accepted by the program is determined by the number of clinical slots available in the participating clinical facilities. Meaning, the number of students may vary from year to year.

In case of a tie, the tie-breaking criteria will go to the highest cumulative prerequisite GPA.

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Technical Standards for the Surgical Technologist

The surgical technologist has strenuous demands placed on them routinely. These demands are called Technical Standards.

To successfully complete the Surgical Technology program, students must demonstrate their competency in carrying out the tasks necessary for safe and effective practice in the field including:

- Maintain appropriate professional decorum in high stress situations and when exposed to unusual sights and smells.
- Follow ethical guidelines of the profession in all patient and professional interactions.
- Effectively communicate and respond appropriately with patients’ and healthcare workers’ questions, requests, and directions.
- Acknowledge and perform based on instructions in surgical settings.
- Move and position heavy and/or large surgical trays and equipment.
- Provide safe and effective direct care and emergency treatment to patients.
- Manipulate sutures finer than a human hair.
- Accurately assess patient data created by equipment impacting care and treatment.
- Effectively follow instructions given in the surgical suite.
- Detect and respond appropriately to activation/warning signals on equipment.
- Detect odors sufficient to maintain environmental safety and patient needs.
- Manipulate and operate instruments, supplies, and equipment.

I have read the above requirements and understand that my inability to comply with these may result in my failure to successfully complete the program I have chosen.

__________________________________________  _____________________
Signature                                     Date
VERIFICATION OF HEALTH CARE EMPLOYMENT/DIRECT PATIENT CARE

______________________________________________

(PRINT) Last Name First Middle

was employed from __________ to __________ working an average of ____ hours per/week.

Month/Day/Year Month/Day/Year

Approximate Total hours of Experience: _____ Job Title:____________________________

COMMENTS/DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES:


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Signature of Employer/Supervisor/HR Representative Date

Name of Employer (Please Print)

Mailing Address (Street Address, P.O Box)

City State Zip Code

Applicants may make copies of this form if they have been employed at more than one site.

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Type: ___________________________ Amount: ___________________________

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