

Southern West Virginia 2022-2023 Southern Academic Catalog Community Technical College

Central Sterile Supply Technician, Certificate

Purpose

The Central Sterile Supply Technician Certificate Program is designed to introduce the primary responsibilities of a sterile processing technician including practical application of learned concepts and procedures. Students will gain experience in instrument identification, preparation, storage, and distribution of supplies and equipment. Four-hundred clinical hours are required. The program will prepare the student to take the national certification exam.

Anyone working in the Central Sterile Supply Department of a hospital and needing to take the certification exam to maintain their employment may take only [AH 130](#), [AH 135](#), and [AH 160](#). All other students must take all the required courses in the program.

The full Central Sterile Supply Technician Certificate Program is available on the Logan Campus. The Boone/Lincoln, Williamson, and Wyoming/McDowell campuses offer the general education/program support courses only.

Program Level Outcome:

1. Students will identify the various work areas within the Central Sterile Process department and recognize the roles of patient care.
2. Demonstrate the roles and responsibilities of the Central Sterile Technologists within the department.
3. Students will differentiate between decontamination, inspect, assemble, package, process both common and complex surgical instruments.
4. Maintain documentation required by the accrediting agencies for quality control and log a minimum of 400 hours of Central Sterile Technician clinical hands on experience.
5. Demonstrate knowledge of medical and surgical instrumentation, supplies, and equipment in various specialties.

First Semester

- [AH 130 - Introduction to Sterile Processing](#) **2 Credit Hours**
- [AH 135 - Surgical Instrumentation](#) **3 Credit Hours**
- [AH 165 - Sterile Processing Practicum I](#) **4 Credit Hours**
- [BS 124 - Human Anatomy and Physiology I](#) **4 Credit Hours**
- [CS 103 - Introduction to Applications](#) **1 Credit Hours (E)**
- [EN 101 - English Composition I](#) **3 Credit Hours**

Credit Hours: 17

Second Semester

- [AH 160 - Sterile Processing II](#) **2 Credit Hours**
- [AH 167 - Sterile Processing Practicum II](#) **4 Credit Hours**
- [AH 200 - Health Care Ethics and Law](#) **1 Credit Hours (E)**

- [BS 127 - Microbiology for Healthcare Professionals](#) **3 Credit Hours**
- [MT 121 - ~College Mathematics for General Education](#) **3 Credit Hours**

Credit Hours: 13

Total Credit Hours: 30

~ Designates courses on the statewide Core Coursework Transfer Agreement.

^ Denotes course equivalency.

This degree program provides students the opportunity to receive credit for their high school EDGE courses (<http://careertech.k12.wv.us/edge/edgeCollege.html>) as designated by the (E) within the program sequence.
