SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

SR 101 PROCEDURAL LAB 3 CREDITS

This course introduces students to surgical procedures as far as instrumentation, supplies, patient positioning, and operative sequence. This is referred to as the "Co-Related Procedures Concept." The purpose of using the Co-Related Procedures Concept is to allow the instructor time to teach surgical procedures and avoid repetition. Focusing on Minimally Invasive Surgery (MIS) Concept, Cardiothoracic, General, Genitourinary, Neurologic, Obstetric and Gynecologic, Ophthalmic, Oral and Maxillofacial, Orthopedic, Otorhinolaryngologic, Peripheral Vascular, Plastics and Reconstructive.

SR 102 PERIOPERATIVE ISSUES

5 CREDITS

This course provides knowledge in the areas of patient care directly affecting the surgical experience. Included are an overview of the hospital, the operating room, its equipment, and the surgical team; identification, transportation, and positioning; medical terminology and surgical pharmacology.

SR 103 OPERATING ROOM TECHNIQUES

4 CREDITS

This course introduces techniques necessary during the surgical experience. Included are scrubbing, gowning and gloving: the establishment of the sterile field with its armamentarium of sutures; instruments, and supplies. The laboratory component allows the student to observe and in return demonstrate the principles and procedures taught in the classroom in a non-patient contact environment.

SR 104 ASEPSIS 3 CREDITS

This course provides the necessary principles of surgical asepsis, which must be maintained in the clinical setting. Included is the study of microscopic life forms, the relationship of microbes to disease and illness, the principles and techniques of sterilization, disinfection, and antisepsis; and the development of the "surgical conscience".

SR 110 SURGICAL PROCEDURES I

4 CREDITS

This course explores the diagnostic and surgical interventions of general surgery, including gastrointestinal, breast and hernia procedures, and OB/GYN surgery.

SR 111 CLINICAL EXTERNSHIP I

2 CREDITS

This externship involves the implementation of learned theory, principles, and procedures taught in the classroom via patient contact as a member of the operating room team. This experience takes place in local area hospitals and focuses on minimally complex surgical cases.

SR 205 OCCUPATIONAL ISSUES

1 CREDIT

This course introduces the student to the ethical, legal, and moral values which relate to the individual patient, the surgical technologist and operating room procedures. Included are discussion of regulatory practices, the psychological aspects of stress and terminal disease, and ethical issues found in today's medical practice, and employment and professional certification issues.

SR 210 SURGICAL PROCEDURES II

6 CREDITS

This course explores the diagnostic and surgical interventions of orthopedic surgery, ophthalmology, ear, nose, and throat surgery, and genito-urinary surgery.

SR 211 CLINICAL EXTERNSHIP II

4 CREDITS

This course is a continuation of Clinical Externship I with a focus on moderately complex surgical cases.

SR 310 SURGICAL PROCEDURES III

4 CREDITS

This course explores the diagnostic and surgical interventions of thoracic, peripheral and cardiovascular, neuro surgery, pediatric and geriatric considerations, and plastic/reconstructive surgery.

SR 311 CLINICAL EXTERNSHIP III

4 CREDITS

This course is a continuation of Clinical Externship I and II with a focus on the more complex surgical cases.