



The MCC Surgical Technology A.A.S. is offered every fall semester; 25 students are admitted. All applicants meeting the admission requirements by the application deadline will be considered. MCC maintains a selective and competitive admissions process for this program. Therefore, if there are more applicants than seats available, a competitive admission process will be used to distribute seats (see “Selection Criteria” below).

Applicants who are not selected for SG01, do not meet the admission requirements, or who apply after the deadline date will be admitted into another program at MCC (Health Studies-Clinical Track or Liberal Arts) and will have the opportunity to work with an academic advisor to select appropriate courses for possible admission into the program for a future semester.

Application Deadline and Notification

Application is available mid-September. The deadline for Fall 2022 is January 31, 2022. Admission notifications will be sent by March 15, 2022.

How to Apply

- Currently enrolled, matriculated students are required to apply online (myMCC, Students tab, My Account tab, Academic Advising, request a change of major).
- New, transfer, returning, and non-matriculated students are required to apply through the Admissions Office by completing an [Admissions Application](#).
- Students must reapply each year if not selected for upcoming semester or if declining/deferring admission.

Admission Requirements

All prerequisite courses or equivalent transfer credit must have a minimum grade of “C” for eligibility for admission and must be completed prior to the application deadline. Science courses must include a lab. All high school classes must be at least a one credit course; half credit courses do not meet the required prerequisite. Meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee admission.

Please note: interpretation of the high school prerequisite may vary based on the school district’s grading policy during 2020/2021 (due to COVID) if a numeric grade is not posted on the high school transcript. For example, in the event that the school district posted “Pass with Distinction/Pass/Fail” grades, only “Pass with Distinction” will be acceptable unless additional documentation from the school district is provided. Please speak to a staff member in Admissions or Advisement to determine prerequisite eligibility.

- **Math:** Level 8 Math placement or MTH 104, MTH 165, MTH 175, or MTH 210. (Math placement via high school or ACCUPLACER is valid for three years.)
- **Biology:** High school biology/living environment or BIO 120, BIO 132 and 133, BIO 142, BIO 144, or BIO 155
- **Chemistry:** High school chemistry or CHE 100, CHE 124, CHE 145, or CHE 151
- **2.0 cumulative GPA required**, including coursework at previous institutions
- US citizen or have Permanent Resident Status by the application deadline
- New York State resident
- Official transcripts, including high school, AP, IB, CLEP, dual credit, or other institutions, must be on file with the Admissions Office by the application deadline for transfer credit evaluation.

Selection Criteria

When the number of applicants exceeds the available number of seats in the Surgical Technology program, selection is based on the calculation of **quality points** earned in the following courses at MCC or equivalent transfer credit. Students are then ranked from highest to lowest number of quality points and admission is granted to the students with the most points. See the quality point chart at the end of this document. A **minimum grade of “C” or higher is necessary** in all required courses for matriculation into the Surgical Technology program.

Quality Point Classes

- BIO 144 – Human Anatomy and Physiology I* (4 credits)
- BIO 145 – Human Anatomy & Physiology II* (4 credits)
- BIO 202 – Microbiology (4 credits)
- ENG 101 – College Composition (3 credits) or ENG 200 – Advanced Composition (3 credits)
- MTH 165 – College Algebra (3 credits) or higher (4 credit courses, such as MTH 175 or 210)
Note: If multiple math courses have been taken, the single course with the highest point value will be counted.
- SOC 101 – Introduction to Sociology (3 credits)

**Please note: If both BIO 142 (Human Anatomy, 4 credits) and BIO 143 (Human Physiology, 4 credits) were previously taken and completed with grades of “C” or better, they can be substituted for BIO 144 & 145. See repeat policy and time limit information on page 3. Quality points for BIO 142 & 143 or BIO 144 & 145 will be multiplied by 25% (1.25).*

Additional points will be awarded for the following criteria

Honorably Discharged Military Veterans or Current Service Members will be awarded one (1) additional quality point

Admission Profile (Fall 2021 admitted class)

- 25 students admitted.
- The initial quality point cut off was 22. The maximum number of possible points is 97.

Additional Notes Regarding Admission

- Admission is conditional upon completion of medical requirements, clearance of existing health problem(s), and ability to meet essential functions (physical and mental demands) of the program. See requirements at: [Health Services](#).
- COVID-19 Vaccination will be required of all students entering Surgical Technology per the NYS COVID Vaccine Mandate for any student who participates in a clinical rotation (effective 8/27/21). Very limited Medical exemptions will be allowed. No religious exemptions will be allowed.
- BIO 142, 143, BIO 144, BIO 145, and BIO 202 must be no more than seven (7) years old for the grade to be considered when the applicant is accepted for admission.
- If admitted to the program, the student’s class schedule will be assigned by the Surgical Technology Program Director. Students must be available to take classes during the day and have reliable transportation to clinical sites during the second year of the program.
- Students who have previously been matriculated in the Surgical Technology program at MCC or another institution should refer to the re-admission policy as described in the [Surgical Technology program description](#).

- Grading system notes
 - MCC grades of Satisfactory (S) equate to a “C”; Pass (P) equates to a “D-“; and Unsatisfactory (U) equates to an “F.”
 - Transfer credits earned at institutions who use a S/U or P/F grading system where a S or P equates to a “C” or higher will receive quality points equivalent to a “C.”
 - AP scores of 3, 4, or 5 equate to “C”, “B”, or “A” respectively.
- The Monroe Community College Surgical Technology program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (www.caahep.org) upon the recommendation of the Accreditation Review Council on Education in Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (<https://arcstsa.org/>)
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Anatomy & Physiology Repeat Course Policy

- No more than one unsuccessful attempt in any Anatomy & Physiology coursework (BIO 142, 143, 144, and 145) is permitted within the past seven years. Students with two or more unsuccessful attempts in any combination of the Anatomy & Physiology coursework within the past seven years are ineligible to apply. For example, a student with two unsuccessful attempts in BIO 144 would be ineligible to apply. Or, a student with one unsuccessful attempt in BIO 144 and one in BIO 145 would also be ineligible to apply.
- Unsuccessful attempts are defined as withdrawals (W), grades of “C-“ or below, or Unsatisfactory (U).
- Unsuccessful attempts at previous institutions are included in this policy.
- Due to COVID-19, unsuccessful attempts in BIO 144 and 145 at MCC or another institution during Spring, Summer, and Fall 2020 will NOT be counted as an unsuccessful attempt under the repeat policy.

Quality Points for 4 credit classes: BIO 144, BIO 145, BIO 202, and 4 credit math classes (if applicable)

Grade	Value of Grade	Quality Point Value	Points increased by 25% for BIO 144 and 145 (or previously BIO 142 and 143)
A	4.0	16.0	20.0
A-	3.7	14.8	18.5
B+	3.3	13.2	16.5
B	3.0	12.0	15.0
B-	2.7	10.8	13.5
C+	2.3	9.2	11.5
C	2.0	8.0	10.0

Quality Points for 3 credit classes: ENG 101/200, MTH 165, and SOC 101

Grade	Value of Grade	Quality Point Value
A	4.0	12.0
A-	3.7	11.1
B+	3.3	9.9
B	3.0	9.0
B-	2.7	8.1
C+	2.3	6.9
C	2.0	6.0
C-	1.7	5.1
D+	1.3	3.9
D	1.0	3.0
D-	0.7	2.1