Associate in Applied Science Degree (A.A.S.)
Health Sciences: Surgical Processing Technician Specialization

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SAMPLE PROGRAM SEQUENCE

Semester Credits

FIRST SEMESTER

SCI1100	Anatomy and Physiology I	3
HEA2200	Medical Terminology	3
SOC2225	Introduction to Psychology	3
ENG1105	Writing and Research	3
CIS1115	Computer Applications	3

SECOND SEMESTER

HEA1101	Foundations of Health Services	3
SCI2100	Anatomy and Physiology II	3
SPT1110	Fundamentals of Surgical Processing	4
HEA2203	Ethical and Legal Aspects of Health Services	3
	Free Elective	3

THIRD SEMESTER

SPT2100	Surgical Instrumentation	4
SPT2120	Endoscopic Reprocessing	3
SCI2228	Microbiology	3
ENG2205	Writing Through Literature	3
	Humanities Elective	3

FOURTH SEMESTER

SPT2150	Surgical Processing Clinical Practicum	8
SPT2151	Surgical Processing Clinical Seminar	2
	Social Science Elective	3

60 SEMESTER CREDITS
REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION

To qualify for graduation, students must participate in the Certified Registered Central Service Technician (CRCST) certification examination administered by the International Association of Healthcare Central Service Materiel Management (IAHCSMM).

Graduates of the Surgical Processing Technician program also are eligible to participate in the Certified Flexible Endoscope Reprocessor (CFER) examination administered by the Certification Board for Sterile Processing and Distribution (CBSPD).

New Jersey, New York, and Connecticut require individuals to earn the CRCST credential before becoming eligible for employment. As of the date of posting, Pennsylvania does not have state law requirements relating to the education and certification of central service technicians. The College has not made a determination with respect to certification requirements of other states.

This program requires students to take and pass the Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers - BLS (AHA) exam.

For additional information regarding this program, please visit https://berkeleycollege.edu/academics/undergraduate-degrees/health-sciences/index.html

Under certain circumstances the need to take developmental College Skills courses may lengthen the time required to complete the student's program, and may result in increased costs to a student.