



**Technical Abilities and Skills Required for the
Surgical Technology Program**

In order to handle the job responsibilities and tasks assigned to the student in the Surgical Technology Program, students must be able to:

1. Perform a full-range of body motion including handling and lifting clients, manual and finger dexterity, and eye-hand coordination.
2. Bend, reach, pull, push, stand, stoop, walk during shift, and agility to handle body mass.
3. Lift and carry up to sixty (60) pounds.
4. Demonstrate visual acuity (with correction if needed) within normal range including peripheral vision and reading fine print.
5. Demonstrated auditory acuity (with correction if needed) that includes hearing muffled voices (through the mask) with extraneous background noises.
6. Withstand unusual smells-cauterized tissue.
7. Wear full surgical attire including personal protective equipment
8. Adapt effectively, displaying flexibility in environments with high tension to ensure client safety.
9. Concentrate and pay attention to detail.
10. Perform fine motor skills with both right and left hands. (Dexterity and application in working with microscopic pieces of equipment, sutures and hold retractors, etc.)
11. Adapt to irregular working hours as well as ability to stay over shift if necessary.
12. Respond quickly and in an emotionally controlled manner in emergency situations.
13. Communicate in a rational and coherent manner both orally and in writing with individuals of all professionals and social levels.
14. Recognize that work environment will include exposure to diseases and toxic substances (sterilants, x-ray, fumes, development of latex allergy, and so forth).
15. Be able to problem solve using conceptual, integrative, and quantitative reasoning skills.

I have read and understand the above non-academic requirements and believe that I am able to meet these standards.

Signature

Date

Sign the above statement and return to the Southeast Missouri Hospital College of Nursing and Health Sciences along with your application.

Program acceptance is in no way based on applicant's limitations. "Technical standards represent the essential non-academic requirements of the program that the student must master to successfully participate in the program and become employable."