



## **SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

### **GOALS:**

The Surgical Technology program provides educational opportunities to individuals that will enable them to obtain the knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary to succeed in the Surgical Technology profession.

The Surgical Technology program provides educational opportunities regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, handicapping condition, academic disadvantage, or economic disadvantage.

The Surgical Technology program is intended to produce graduates who are prepared for employment as surgical technologists. Program graduates are to be competent in the general areas of communications, math, and professional relations.

Graduates are to be competent as skilled surgical technologists, qualified by didactic and clinical training, to provide services in the operating room under the supervision and responsibility of the operating room supervisor, who is a registered nurse.

Graduates are prepared to function in association with nurses and surgeons to help provide the best possible care of the surgical patient. They function as a part of the operating room team responsible for the cleanliness, safety, and efficiency of the operating room that leads to good patient care. Their experience with aseptic surgical techniques qualifies them to prepare materials for use at the operating table and to assist in the use of these materials.

The surgical technologist demonstrates an ability to relate to people, an orientation towards service to people, and a capacity for calm and reasoned judgment in meeting emergencies. Respect for the patient as a person and respect for the patient's privacy are expected of the technologist.

### **OBJECTIVES:**

1. Provide current curriculum, instructional materials, and equipment (in accordance with available funding) which teach knowledge, skills, and attitudes appropriate to industry needs.

2. Provide educational facilities which foster learning and provide safe, healthy environments available and accessible to all students who can benefit from the program.
3. Provide academic instruction which supports effective learning within the program and which enhances professional performance on the job.
4. Provide employability skills which foster work attitudes and work habits that will enable graduates of the program to perform as good employees.
5. Nurture the desire for learning so that graduates will pursue their own continuing education as a lifelong endeavor.
6. Provide an educational atmosphere which promotes a positive self-image and a sense of personal well-being.
7. Provide education that fosters development of good safety habits.
8. Provide admission, educational, and placement services without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, or handicapping condition.
9. Provide information to the public regarding the program that will facilitate recruitment and enrollment of students.
10. Promote good public relations via contacts and regular communications with business, industry, and the public sector.
11. Promote faculty and student rapport and communications to enhance student success in the program.