

COURSE INFORMATION

COURSE PREFIX NO.:	SUR 114
COURSE TITLE:	Surgical Specialty Practicum
LECTURE HRS/WK:	2.0
LAB HRS/WK:	15.0
CREDITS HRS/SEMESTER:	7.0

[Distance Learning Attendance/VA Statement](#)
[Textbook Information](#)

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course includes the correlation of the principles and theories of specialized surgical procedures with clinical performance in affiliated hospitals. Emphasis is placed on the advanced surgical specialties of orthopedic, peripheral vascular, cardiovascular, neurological, ophthalmic, oral and maxillofacial surgeries.

COURSE COMPETENCIES

Upon successful completion of SUR 114, the student should be able to:

- Prepare the operating room for general, orthopedic, obstetrical/gynecological, urological, ENT, plastic, peripheral vascular, cardiovascular, neurological, ophthalmic, oral and maxillofacial surgeries
- Identify and secure the supplies and equipment needed for general, orthopedic, obstetrical/gynecological, urological, ENT, plastic, peripheral vascular, cardiovascular, neurological, ophthalmic, oral and maxillofacial surgeries
- Assist with patient positioning for general, orthopedic, obstetrical/gynecological, urological, ENT, plastic, peripheral vascular, cardiovascular, neurological, ophthalmic, oral and maxillofacial surgeries
- Assist with patient prepping for general, orthopedic, obstetrical/gynecological, urological, ENT, plastic, peripheral vascular, cardiovascular, neurological, ophthalmic, oral and maxillofacial surgeries
- Set up basic operative procedures in the surgical specialties of general, orthopedic, obstetrical/gynecological, urological, ENT, plastic, peripheral vascular, cardiovascular, neurological, ophthalmic, oral and maxillofacial surgeries.
- Assist with the operative site draping in general, orthopedic, obstetrical/gynecological, urological, ENT, plastic, peripheral vascular, cardiovascular, neurological, ophthalmic, oral and maxillofacial surgeries using correct technique.
- Pass instruments, sutures, and supplies to surgeon and assistants in general, orthopedic, obstetrical/gynecological, urological, ENT, plastic, peripheral vascular, cardiovascular, neurological, ophthalmic, oral and maxillofacial surgeries.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

1. **Surgical Case Profiles:** Surgical case profiles will be completed in electronic format and e-mailed to the clinical instructor by 8 p.m. the night prior to assigned clinical rotation. These profiles will be the responsibility of you, the clinical student. You must complete a profile for every case assigned. Failure to satisfactorily complete the surgical case profile and submit to instructor by e-mail will result in the student not being allowed to scrub the following clinical day. The student will be assigned to a non-scrub role. This will have a negative impact on the student's weekly evaluation grade, and will

hinder the student's pursuit of the case levels required for successful completion of the course and/or program.

- 2. Clinical Experience Record:** Clinical experience records are the responsibility of you, the clinical student. Every case must be documented on this form. Students are to complete their name, hospital or clinical site name, and semester in which they obtained the listed clinical experiences, date, procedure, specialty and surgeon name.

Students are responsible for continuing to keep track of the surgical procedures in which you participate in the procedure log so you can identify the areas in which you lack exposure and experience.

- 3. Daily Journal:** Students are required to keep a daily clinical journal. The journal is to be turned in to the Department Manager at 8 a.m. on Monday. The journal will be graded by the Department Manager and will count 30% of your SUR 114 grade. The journal should include the procedures you are involved in, your role in each, how you felt you performed, as well as feelings. The journal is a way to summarize your progress, identify your strengths and weaknesses, and identify strategies to be implemented by you to insure your improvement. Journals turned in late will have five points deducted for each day late. Journals past due on the following Monday will not be accepted and will earn the grade of zero.
- 4. Clinical Evaluations:** See Evaluation Strategies

ANY BREACH OF PATIENT CONFIDENTIALITY IS CAUSE FOR IMMEDIATE DISMISSAL FROM THE SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM.

(This includes removal of anything with a patient name from hospital)

METHODS OF INSTRUCTION

The clinical portion of surgical technology is learned through 1:1 ratio. Students will receive on-the-job education from instructors, preceptors (specified surgical staff), and from individual surgeons. Assignments are made in advance daily according to the surgical schedule. Assignments may have to be changed due to posted and/or add-on surgical cases

EVALUATION STRATEGIES

Clinical evaluations are performed by the clinical instructor based on direct observation and preceptor feedback summarizing your overall performance.

The clinical instructor will provide a written explanation of your performance and the grade you have earned after three weeks of clinical performance and after six weeks of clinical performance, and a final evaluation will be reviewed with the student at the conclusion of eight weeks of clinical practice. This is subsequently the end of the semester.

Each evaluation will be reviewed with you; then you and the clinical instructor will sign and date the form to verify that your performance and the grade has been explained. Comments can be made on the clinical evaluation.

GRADING PROCEDURES

Grades will be based on performance on written competency based tests, class work, projects and quizzes. Exam material will come from text book, lecture material, handouts and class discussion.

Evaluation of Performance:

Four Week Evaluation:	10%
Mid-term Clinical Evaluation:	20%
Final Clinical Evaluation:	40%
Daily Diary:	30%

College Grading Scale:	A - 93 – 100
	B - 85 – 92
	C - 80 – 84
	D - 75 – 79
	F - Below 75

Students must have a final average of 80% or better to pass SUR 114. If the average is below 80%, the student will **not successfully complete** this course. The student must **earn a satisfactory final grade (80% or higher)** in this course to continue in the Surgical Technology Program.

The student should continue to practice and perform other clinical skills learned and utilized in the previous semester of study at an acceptable level of practice. Failure to do so will result in being dismissed from the curriculum

ATTENDANCE

Attendance Policy:

Students are expected to attend all clinical sessions of SUR 114. If an absence is unavoidable, the student must contact the instructor prior to 6:15 AM. Failure to attend a clinical rotation will result in an absence.

Clinical experience is critical to the success of the Surgical Technology student. In order to be eligible to graduate, the student must have completed 80 scrubbed cases in the scrub role and 55 of the completed scrubbed cases must be in the specialties of General, Obstetrics/Gynecology, Urology, ENT, and Orthopedics to be eligible to sit for the National Certification Examination for Surgical Technologists. Absences not only detract from experience but also from the total number of countable scrubs.

It is the judgment and experience of the program administrators that more than **two** absences make successful satisfactory completion of course requirements very difficult. Therefore, students with more than two absences may be withdrawn from the program at the discretion of the instructor.

Late arrivals / Early departures:

Attendance in clinical rotations requires being in the hospital and prepared for clinical rotations when scheduled **and** remain at the clinical site until 2:30 p.m. or until the instructor concludes the clinical day. Students are expected to arrive to their clinical site at or before the scheduled start time and stay for the entire clinical day. **Students are required to phone the instructor for all absences and late arrivals.**

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

The policies stated in the *York Technical College Catalog & Handbook* and the *Surgical Technology handbook* will be enforced.

ENTRY LEVEL SKILLS

A student entering SUR 114 should have appropriate entrance scores for the Surgical Technology Program and the willingness to read, comprehend, and communicate effectively.

PREREQUISITES

SUR 101, SUR 102, SUR 103, SUR 104, SUR 111

CO REQUISITES

SUR 105, SUR 120

DISABILITIES STATEMENT

Any student who feels s/he may need an accommodation based on the impact of a disability should contact the Special Resources Offices (SR) at 803-327-8007 in the 300 area of Student Services. The SRO coordinates reasonable accommodations for students with documented disabilities.

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