



SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY

FALL 2024 Entering Class

ADMISSIONS PROCEDURES

If you wish to be considered for the Fall 2024 entering class, you **MUST** have completed the following tasks by the noted deadline:

COMPLETE:	DEADLINE:
<u>ALL</u> Admission Requirements	Thursday, June 27, 2024
Meet with the ST Program Director	By 5:00pm

It is **your** responsibility to read and become familiar with this document.

Completion of these tasks does not guarantee
acceptance to the Fall 2024 entering class!

STEP 1: Complete Admissions Requirements

COMPLETE THE SPECIFIC SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

1. **Complete the RDS (Residency Determination Service) first.** Applications for Admission cannot be submitted without first obtaining your RCN (Residency Certification Number) here: [RDS Admissions Page](#) .
2. **Submit a Blue Ridge *Application for Admission*.** You can complete the application online on [our Admissions Page as well](#) . If you have applied to Blue Ridge Community College previously or have taken Curriculum courses here before, you will need to update your information by completing a Blue Ridge application available on our website. Students will need to select General Education-Surgical Technology as the major. Once accepted into the program, Students will be given an Allied Health-Change of Program Form during orientation to declare Surgical Technology as their program of study.
3. **Submit all Official Transcripts** – Applicants pursuing the Surgical Technology program are required to submit official transcripts from all previously attended institutions. High School, High School Equivalency, and College transcripts are all required.

If additional coursework is completed after submission of transcripts, an official updated transcript must be submitted to Blue Ridge to ensure all possible transfer credit is awarded.

- Complete high school Biology with a grade of “C” or higher. A College-Level Biology of BIO 110 or higher will waive the high school Biology requirement. For High School Equivalency Diploma: A standard score of 150 or above on the Science Test will count as one unit of Biology. For GED, a standard score of 450 or above on the Natural Science Test will count as one unit of Biology.
- Students who do not meet the Biology requirement can do so by taking BIO 090 *Foundations of Biology*, or a College-Level Biology of BIO 110 or higher. All courses must be completed with a grade of “C” or higher in order to meet these high school requirements.
- Applicants who are currently enrolled in high school, taking these courses and anticipating completing the grade and course requirements may continue with the application process. Students enrolled in high school should request that the high school mail a final transcript to Blue Ridge as soon as possible upon graduation.

4. Demonstrate College readiness by appropriate developmental courses, College courses, SAT/ACT scores, Placement Testing, or placement assignment from an United States-based high school with an eligible Unweighted High School GPA. Successful completion or exemption of Tier 2 Math and Tier 2 English are required for the Surgical Technology program.

Placement testing is waived for the following:

- An Associate's degree or higher
 - Transferable College-level English and Math with a grade of "C" or higher
 - Acceptable SAT or ACT scores taken within the last 10 years
 - SAT score of 500 or above on Writing or Critical Reading, and 500 or above in Mathematics if taken before March 2016
 - SAT score of 480 or higher on Evidence Based Reading and Writing, and a score of 530 on Mathematics if taken after March 2016
 - Minimum of 18 on ACT English or 22 on ACT Reading, or a minimum of 22 on ACT Mathematics
5. Anatomy and Physiology I (**BIO 168**) and Anatomy and Physiology II (**BIO 169**) must be completed prior to entry into the program. Both Anatomy and Physiology I and II (BIO 168/169) must be completed with a grade of "C" or higher.
 6. The Student must maintain a Program GPA of 2.00 or higher throughout the duration of the Surgical Technology program, and a "C" or better in all SUR and BIO courses.
 7. Applicants are encouraged to attend one of the scheduled Surgical Technology Information Sessions to receive important information about the curriculum and career in Surgical Technology. All sessions will be held via Zoom at 4:00p.m. Call or email Stephanie Wooten, Surgical Technology Instructor, at (828) 694-1831 or s.wooten@blueridge.edu to reserve materials or for information on additional meeting opportunities. Meeting dates are:

Monday, November 13, 2023

Monday, February 5, 2024

Monday, April 22, 2024

STEP 2: Submit the completed ARC (Admissions Requirements Checklist) before the deadline to the Registrar's Office

1. Submit the ARC to the Registrar's Office **by no later than 5:00p.m. on Thursday, June 27, 2024**, after all Surgical Technology Admission requirements are completed. The Registrar's Office will confirm that your Surgical Technology Admission Requirements have been met. ARC's with a legible physical signature may be emailed to registrar@blueridge.edu and s.wooten@blueridge.edu.

STEP 3: Selection and Notification of Candidates

- The Class Candidate Lists will be forwarded to the Surgical Technology Program Director, who will send acceptance letters to those candidates.
- New Student Orientation will take place on July 16, 2024. The purpose of the New Student Orientation is to discuss required immunizations and health form information, pre-schedule Fall semester classes, review Surgical Technology Handbook, and answer additional questions. For this reason, it is **mandatory** that the student attend this session.
- All candidates who are not accepted into the program or who accept a space in the Fall 2024 program but **DECLINE** or **WITHDRAW** during the semester **MUST REAPPLY** and complete the entire admission process for the next year's class.

APPLICATION TO ACCEPTANCE TIMELINE

Date	Timeline Item
Thursday, June 27, 2024	<p>Deadline to meet the Admissions Requirements for the Surgical Technology Program.</p> <p>Submit your ARC. You must complete Steps 1-7 by 5pm on Thursday, June 27, 2024, in order to be considered for the Fall 2024 entering class.</p>
July 2024	<p>Final Class Candidate List is forwarded to the Surgical Technology Program Director.</p> <p>Accepted students are contacted by the Surgical Technology Program Director to confirm their space.</p> <p><i>Applicants who are not offered a space in the Fall 2024 program <u>MUST REAPPLY</u> and complete the entire admission process for the next year's class.</i></p> <p><i>Candidates who accept a space for the Fall 2024 program but DECLINE or WITHDRAW prior to starting the program <u>MUST ALSO REAPPLY</u> and complete the entire admission process for the next year's class.</i></p>
July 16, 2024	New Student Orientation (mandatory) for all accepted
August 2024	Fall 2024 entering class begins.
IMPORTANT!	ARC's <u>may</u> continue to be accepted after the June 27, 2024 deadline based on seat availability. Contact the Surgical Technology Program Director at (828) 694-1831 for additional information.