Start Your Career Path as a Surgical Tech



Medical assistant professionals work alongside doctors, nurses and other healthcare professionals to assist with both administrative and clinical tasks. Medical assistants help improve the patient experience and support the healthcare team in providing high level patient care. This in-demand field continues to be one of the fastest growing employment categories in our country and offers specialization opportunities. *Remember, no career path is the same. For the most up-to-date information, contact the school or business.*



Reach out to a counselor at your high school, local community college, or four-year college or university. For more information, visit: **virginiahealthcareers.org**

Starting your surgical tech career journey in high school?

Visit virginiahealthcareers.org/core-curriculum to learn more.

Surgical Technologist Programs**

Salary Range: \$44k - \$88k

Associate of Applied Science (AAS) Degree

Virginia Western Community College

*Admissions process required.

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Degrees & Certificates Guide

AS - An Associate of Science degree is a two-year degree that combines general coursework with major-specific classes.

AAS - An Associate of Applied Science degree is a two-year college degree that focuses on a specific technical skill of applied science.

Certificate - A certificate of study is a postsecondary credential that shows completed practical training and gained skills in a specific field and carries credit.

Career Studies Certificate - A careers studies program is a short-term program that improves job skills (12-18 academic credits, 15-18 months to complete).

FastForward - FastForward is a short-term workforce training program that offers industry credentials and certifications in a shorter time period (non-credit).