FREQUENCY OF ADMISSION

Every Fall semester. The application deadline is April 22nd of each year. Classes are offered on campus for lecture and lab courses barring complications due to Covid-19.

LENGTH OF COURSE/PROGRAM SCHEDULE

The program is five-semesters.

Admission Requirements

Applicants must:

1. Be admitted to Malcolm X College.

2. Be at least 18 years of age.

3. Completion of prerequisite courses must not be more than five years old and all prerequisite coursework must be completed with a grade of Grade of "C" or better. These courses are:

Code	Title	Hours
	Any College Level Math (MATH 118 Recommended)	3 or 4
Biology 121	Biology I	5
Biology 120	Terminology for Medical Careers	3
Biology 226	Human Structure and Function I	4
	Eligibility to take English 101	

4. Provide the college with official college transcripts for any previous course work.

5. Have a minimum 2.5 College GPA.

6. Complete the Special Admissions Application.

7. All students are required to undergo a criminal background check. Students with a positive background check that contains disqualifying convictions may be prohibited from being placed at a clinical site, sitting for certification board examinations, and securing future employment. Students are responsible for the cost of performing the background check. The program's Clinical Coordinator will provide instructions to obtain the Background Check at the New Student Orientation session.

As defined by Illinois State Law (225ILCS46/25):

- All healthcare workers and student health care workers are required to undergo a criminal background check in order to work in a clinical setting. A student with a positive background check containing disqualifying conditions will not be allowed to enter the clinical portion of this program, thus preventing the student from obtaining mandated certification and/or licensure in Sterile Processing. Please contact the Program Director to discuss disqualifiers. The applicant is responsible for the cost of the background clearance. Prior to clinical placement, the student will be required to provide a cleared drug screen at their own cost.

For more information about admissions requirements and the application process, visit the program website

8. Attend a consultation with members of the Surgical Technology program's staff and/or advisory board before acceptance into the program.

9. All college transcripts from colleges/universities attended outside City Colleges of Chicago are required to be sent to Malcolm X College Office of Registrar Services or mxregistrar@ccc.edu from the specific college/university. We do not have access to transcripts submitted to other City Colleges of Chicago.

As defined by Illinois State Law (225ILCS46/25): All healthcare workers and student health care workers are required to undergo a criminal background check in order to work in a clinical setting. A student with a positive background check containing disqualifying conditions will not be allowed to enter the clinical portion of this program, thus preventing the student from obtaining mandated certification and/or licensure in Surgical Technology. Please contact the Program Director prior to submitting an application to discuss disqualifiers. The applicant is responsible for the cost of the background check. Health Career students with direct patient contact must be drug-tested prior to clinical site assignment. The student is responsible for the cost of the drug screen. Clinical locations are assigned based on student performance and can be a distance of up 50 miles from the college. Clinical Hours are Monday through Friday and can include any of three shifts at a designated clinical site. The student must be willing to take any location and any shift the program faculty deem appropriate for their success. The student cannot be substituted for a paid employee once at a clinical site and will not be compensated for their duties performed there. The student will be responsible during the program to provide additional clinical placement background check, clinical placement drug screen and the Association of Surgical Technologists Gold Package. This package includes the student's membership in the Association of Surgical Technologists, the National Board exam fee and the review materials for the National Board exam.