

STERILE PROCESSING TECHNICIAN

Technical Diploma

Program Code: 30-534-2

Total Credits: 5

Mid-State's hands-on Sterile Processing Technician program prepares students to work with supplies and equipment related to surgery, obstetrics, emergency departments, and other patient care settings. Effective communication is vital within this multi-service area. The curriculum includes online instruction, lab, and clinical experience. The clinical portion of the course places students at a minimum of two sites. Students learn the principles of standard precautions, asepsis, disinfection, and sterilization procedures. Course completion leads to a technical diploma and eligibility for certification exams.

Estimated tuition and fees: mstc.edu/programcosts

ACADEMIC ADVISOR

To schedule an appointment with an academic advisor, call 715.422.5300. Academic advisors will travel to other campuses as necessary to accommodate student needs. For more information about advising, visit **mstc.edu/advising**.

NEW STUDENT CHECKLIST

Complete the following steps to prepare for your New Student Advising appointment with your academic advisor:

- □ Submit a Mid-State application at mstc.edu/apply.
- ☐ Send official transcripts to:
 Mid-State Technical College
 Student Services
 1001 Centerpoint Drive
 Stevens Point, WI 54481
- ☐ Set up student MyCampus account at mstc.edu/mycampus-assistance.
- ☐ Schedule a New Student Advising appointment at **mstc.edu/advising**.



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500 32nd Street North Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494

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Start Your Career

- Central Services Technician
- Sterile Processing Technician
- Instrument Specialist



BACHELOR'S DEGREE OPTIONS

For those interested in continuing their education, Mid-State offers transfer agreements with various four-year colleges and universities. For more information and additional opportunities, visit **mstc.edu/transfer**.

OTHER OPTIONS

RELATED PROGRAMS

- Dental Assistant
- Health & Wellness Promotion
- Health Information Management
- Medical Assistant
- Medical Coder
- Nursing
- Nursing Assistant
- Phlebotomy Technician
- Radiography
- Respiratory Therapy
- Surgical Technology

OUTCOMES

Employers will expect you, as a Sterile Processing Technician graduate, to be able to:

- Apply principles of infection control in the role of the sterile processing technician.
- Decontaminate instruments and equipment.
- Prepare instruments, equipment, and supplies.
- Apply sterilization techniques.
- Perform inventory control and distribution.
- Function as an ethical, legal, and professional member of the health care team.

TECHNICAL SKILLS ATTAINMENT

The Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) has implemented a requirement that all technical colleges measure outcomes attained by students. This requirement is called Technical Skills Attainment (TSA). The main objective of TSA is to ensure graduates have the technical skills needed by employers. Students who successfully complete the skills demonstrations in the clinical courses will meet the TSA requirements.

ADDITIONAL ENTRY CRITERIA

To apply to the Sterile Processing Technician program, please submit the following document to Mid-State Admissions:

 Criminal Background Statement of Understanding and Release of Information form

Mid-State Technical College • Admissions 500 32nd Street North Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494

TECHNICAL STANDARDS

A list of specific physical, emotional, and mental tasks needed to function as a sterile processing technician is available at **mstc.edu/programs/sterile-processing-technician**. Contact the Disability Services coordinator in the Student Services & Information Center to receive assistance.

CLINICAL-RELATED REQUIREMENTS

Prior to placement at a clinical site, students need to pay for a criminal background check and provide documentation of required health work.

Students are responsible for ensuring all requirements remain current during program enrollment.

Clinical sites have the right to refuse a student's placement based on inadequate health records, pending charges, or conviction records. Students with a criminal history may not be able to complete clinical courses. Mid-State will make two attempts to place a student in an appropriate clinical experience. If Mid-State is unable to place the student after two attempts, the student will be withdrawn from the clinical course and will not be able to advance in the program.

STUDENT HANDBOOK

Visit **mstc.edu/studenthandbook** to view Mid-State's student handbook, which contains information about admissions, enrollment, appeals processes, services for people with disabilities, financial aid, graduation, privacy, Mid-State's Student Code of Conduct, and technology.

ADDITIONAL COURSES AS NEEDED

The following courses may be recommended or required if the student does not achieve minimum Accuplacer scores.

College Reading and Writing 1 108311043 credits Provides learners with opportunities to develop and

Provides learners with opportunities to develop and expand reading and writing skills to prepare for college-level academic work. Students will employ critical reading strategies to improve comprehension, analysis, and retention of texts. Students will apply the writing process to produce well-developed, coherent, and unified written work.

Provides an introduction to algebra. Includes operations on real numbers, solving linear equations, percent and proportion, and an introduction to polynomials and statistics. Prepares students for elementary algebra and subsequent algebra-related courses.

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SAMPLE CURRICULUM OPTION

Term 5 credits 30534301 Central Service 5

Total credits 5

Please Note:

- This curriculum sequence is only for student planning. Actual student schedules will vary depending on course availability.
- Program completion time may vary based on student scheduling and course availability. For details, go to mstc.edu/schedule.

Central Service

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Students are prepared with the knowledge and skills necessary to function as a central service technician. Central service is the hub of all activities involving supplies and equipment for surgery, obstetrics, emergency departments, and other patient care areas. Students learn the principles of standard precautions, asepsis, disinfection, and sterilization procedures. Effective communication is vital within this multi-service area. Central service is located in all health care facilities such as nursing homes, clinics, and hospitals. Patient interaction is minimal within this area of specialty. Online instruction, lab, and clinical experience are part of the curriculum. Upon graduation, students are eligible for certification exams. Students are responsible for transportation to and from classroom, lab, and clinical sites. A minimum of two clinical sites will be utilized in the clinical portion of this class.

Prerequisite: Admission to Sterile Processing Technician program 305342