

# Central Processing Technology

## Certificate

### DIVISION OF HEALTH SCIENCES

*Fall, Spring, and Summer Semesters Start; Evenings*

Central Processing is the “hub” of the medical care environment, especially in health care agencies that perform surgical procedures. Central Service Technicians provide critical services to all departments, healthcare professionals, and patients in the proper sterilization, packaging, and delivery of surgical equipment. The goal of this program is to prepare graduates for a rewarding career in hospitals, physicians’ and dentists’ offices, biotech and veterinary hospitals, and surgical centers. Lecture and Laboratory classes occur in the evening. Clinical experiences take place during the day at regional hospitals as arranged by the clinical coordinator. One hundred clinical hours are required.

Graduates are prepared to take the International Certification Exam offered by the Healthcare Sterile Processing Association (HSPA), which provides education and certification to Central Service and Material Management professionals. Passing this exam will lead to a Provisional Certificate which will be upgraded after completion of 400 clinical/work hours.

Upon successful completion, the Certificate in [Central Processing Technology](#) is awarded.

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

High School diploma or equivalent, or Associate Degree or higher.

The student must complete the CORI /SORI (Criminal/Sex Offender Record Information) to authorize a search of conviction and pending criminal case information under Standard Required Level 1 by DCJIS (Department of Criminal Justice Information Services). The CORI/SORI completion process is part of the New Student Orientation. If there is a finding of criminal convictions or “open cases,” the student will be ineligible to participate in the Health Sciences Program. A National County Criminal Background check will be conducted as part of the student’s completion of the clinical requirements.

COURSE	COURSE TITLE	CREDITS
CY 101	Principles of Central Processing Technology	3
	<b>credits:</b>	3
	<b>Total Credits:</b>	3

### PROGRAM FOOTNOTES

Admitted students must attend a mandatory New Student Orientation with the Division of Health Sciences in order to enroll in the course.

A grade of C or higher is required in the Principles of Central Processing Technology course.

Applicants to the Central Processing Technology program are required to attend a recent information session. Times and dates for these sessions can be located at [Information Session Schedule](#)