

Surgical Technology Program: Clinical Case Requirements

Surgical Specialty	Total # of Cases Required	Minimum # of First Scrub Cases Required	Maximum # of Second Scrub Cases That Can Be Applied Toward 120 Cases
General Surgery	30 ²	20 ²	10
Surgical Specialties: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cardiothoracic • ENT • Eye • GU • Neuro • OB-GYN • Oral/Maxillofacial • Orthopedics • Peripheral vascular • Plastics • Procurement/Transplant 	90 ³	60 ³	30
Diagnostic Endoscopy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bronchoscopy • Colonoscopy • Cystoscopy • EGD • ERCP • Esophagoscopy • Laryngoscopy • Panendoscopy • Sinoscopy • Urethoscopy 			10 diagnostic endoscopy cases may be applied toward the second scrub cases. ⁵
Labor & Delivery			5 vaginal delivery cases may be applied toward the second scrub cases. ⁵
TOTALS	120 ^{1,7}	80	40

Surgical Technology Program: Clinical Case Requirements, Continued

1. The total number of cases the student must complete is 120.
2. Students are required to complete 30 cases in General Surgery. Twenty of the cases must be in the First Scrub role.
3. Students are required to complete 90 cases in various surgical specialties. Sixty of the cases must be in the First Scrub role and evenly distributed between a minimum of 5 surgical specialties. However, 15 is the maximum number of cases that can be counted in any one surgical specialty.
4. The surgical technology program is required to verify through the surgical rotation documentation the students' progression in First and Second Scrubbing surgical procedures of increased complexity as he/she moves toward entry-level graduate abilities.
5. Diagnostic endoscopy cases and vaginal delivery cases are not mandatory. But up to 10 diagnostic endoscopic cases and 5 vaginal delivery cases can be counted toward maximum number of Second Scrub role cases.
6. Observation cases must be **documented**, but do not count toward the 120 required cases.
7. **Counting Cases**
 - a. Cases will be counted according to surgical specialty. Examples:
 - i. Trauma patient requires a splenectomy and repair of a Lefort I fracture. Two cases can be counted and documented since the splenectomy is general surgery and repair of the Lefort I is oral-maxillofacial surgical specialty.
 - ii. Patient requires a breast biopsy followed by mastectomy. It is one pathology, breast cancer, and the specialty is general surgery; therefore, it is counted and documented as one procedure – one case.