

SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY, AAS DEGREE

Graduates of HGTC's Surgical Technology program will be eligible to sit for the national certification exams at the Surgical Technologist entry level. The Associate of Applied Science in Surgical Technology program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (www.ccahep.org), graduates of an accredited program are qualified to sit for the Certified Surgical Technology examination, recognized by all 50 states.

For information on the national exam please visit: www.nbstsa.org.

This Disclosure does not guarantee any particular State licensing or certifying agency will approve your application for certification or professional licensure. The disclosure may not account for changes in state law or regulations made after the date of this Disclosure. If your plans include pursuing professional licensure or certification in your chosen field, in any state other than South Carolina, you should reach out to the state for more information on the credentialing requirements of the state.

| State | State Licensure Board | Meets Educational Requirements | Comments |
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| Alabama | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Alaska | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| American Samoa | American Samoa DoH | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Arizona | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Arkansas | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | Arkansas Department of Health (licensure & title registration). Must register to use the title "Registered Surgical Technologist." |
| California | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Colorado | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA), Office of Licensing. Must be registered with the Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA). |
| Connecticut | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | Department of Public Health. |
| Delaware | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | Requires state board approval. |
| Florida | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Georgia | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Guam | Guam HPLB | | |
| Hawaii | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Idaho | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | Department of Health & Welfare (via hospital licensing rules). Hospitals must ensure surgical techs meet education/credential requirements via Dept. of Health & Welfare hospital licensing rules (effectively a state approval requirement). |

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| Illinois | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | Illinois Department of Financial & Professional Regulation (IDFPR). Title protection — “Registered Surgical Technologist” requires state registration. |
| Indiana | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | Indiana Professional Licensing Agency. |
| Iowa | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Kansas | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Kentucky | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Louisiana | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Maine | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Maryland | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Massachusetts | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | Department of Public Health. |
| Michigan | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Minnesota | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
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| Missouri | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Montana | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Nebraska | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Nevada | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | Nevada Division of Public & Behavioral Health. |
| New Hampshire | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| New Jersey | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | New Jersey Department of Health. |
| New Mexico | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| New York | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | New York State Department of Health. |

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| North Carolina | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| North Dakota | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | North Dakota Board of Nursing (UAP Registration for surgical techs). Must register with the ND Board of Nursing as an unlicensed assistive person (UAP) under the surgical technologist track. |
| Ohio | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Oklahoma | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Oregon | Oregon Health Authority | Meets Educational Requirements | Oregon Health Authority, Public Health Division. |
| Pennsylvania | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | Pennsylvania Department of Health. |
| Puerto Rico | PR Dept of Health | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Rhode Island | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| South Carolina | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | South Carolina Board of Nursing (under Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation). |
| South Dakota | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Tennessee | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners. |
| Texas | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | Texas Health & Human Services / Medical Board (through facility regulations). |
| United States Virgin Islands | USVI DoH Office of Prof Licensure | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Utah | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Vermont | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Virginia | Respiratory Therapy Advisory Board | Meets Educational Requirements | Virginia Board of Medicine. Must register with the Virginia Board of Medicine; CST credential recognized. |
| Washington | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | Washington State Department of Health (Health Professions Licensing). Must register with the Washington State Department of Health under RCW 18.215. |
| West Virginia | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Wisconsin | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |
| Wyoming | National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting | Meets Educational Requirements | |