



Surgical First Assist Getting Started Checklist

We are committed to helping you achieve your goals! Follow the steps on this guide to apply for the Surgical First Assist Program. A review of your academic performance and the following requirements are utilized to score your admission placement in the program.

This program offers courses offered online with labs on the Lincoln Campus. See program website for additional information and option details. This program admits new students every **Spring semester**.

- Full Time: Every Spring semester
Spring Semester: Apply September 1st – October 15th

Program Acceptance:

Applications will be reviewed when ALL requirements are submitted AND pre-requisite courses are completed. The program utilizes a selection process of all complete applications to determine acceptance into the program. Applications with incomplete or missing requirements at the time of selection will not be reviewed. The application for the program will remain open until the end of the application period and/or until the program spots are filled. Please note the following:

- Students may apply while enrolled in the last term of pre-requisite courses.
- Applicants with courses in progress will not be reviewed for acceptance until the end of the term AND after the submission of all requirements.
- Applicants **MUST** resubmit all documentation during each application period.

Getting Started:

Are you currently an SCC student enrolled in classes at SCC?

For students currently enrolled in a program at SCC and/or working on pre-requisite courses for a Health Sciences program please meet with your assigned College Advisor. If this is your first term at SCC you will be connected with your advisor after completing *New Student Enrollment*. If you are a returning student and are unsure who your advisor is contact advising@southeast.edu.

Are you new to SCC or unsure where to start?

If you are new to SCC or have not completed the required program pre-requisite courses listed below, please submit an Application for Admission to the Associate of Health Sciences program at www.southeast.edu/applynow. If you need help determining your next step, please contact admissions@southeast.edu for assistance.

Contact Amy Goracke if you have program related questions.

- Submit Official Transcripts:** Submit official transcripts if applicable showing college coursework completed at a college/university other than SCC, to SCC Admissions Office 8800 O Street Lincoln, NE 68520.
 - Transcripts showing completion of a CAAHEP or ABHES Accredited Surgical Technology Program
- Complete Program Professional Awareness Activity:** See program website for instructions and forms to submit.



- Complete Program Application:** Apply at <https://www.southeast.edu/applynow/> during the stated application periods. For students interesting in starting:
Spring Semester (January): Please apply September 1st – October 15th.
 - First review of completed applications will begin on October 15; the application will remain open until all program seats are full.
 - Notification of acceptance will occur **on or after** November 15th.
Incomplete applications will not be reviewed if missing requirements.

- Complete Special Clinical Requirements:** Submit the following during the application period. Submit documentation to the Health Sciences Building (HSB 230) or email: healthsciences@southeast.edu.
 - Proof of current CPR for Basic Life Support (BLS) Healthcare Providers American Heart Association or program approved certification
 - Proof of current National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (NBSTSA) certification in Surgical Technology; highly encourage AST membership
 - Complete Student Health Statement (see documentation form on program website)
 - [Employee Support Letter](#)

Program Website: <https://www.southeast.edu/surgicalfirstassist/>