

STERILE PROCESSING, SHORT-TERM TECHNICAL CERTIFICATE

Curriculum Code #2103

Effective May 2022

Division of Health and Wellness Sciences (<http://catalog.lorainccc.edu/academic-programs/allied-health-nursing-health-physical-education-recreation/>)

The Sterile Processing Technician short term technical certificate program will prepare the graduate to work within a health-care facility to ensure medical and surgical supplies, instruments, and equipment are properly cleaned, prepared, processed, stored, and distributed for patient care and surgical use. This program combines lecture, lab, and directed practice to meet The International Association of Healthcare Central Service Material Management (IAHCSMM) guidelines for gaining the Certified Registered Central Sterile Technician (CRCST) credential. Upon graduation and completion of 400 experience hours the student will be prepared and take CRCST examination.

| First Year | | |
|-------------------------|--|-----------|
| Fall Semester | | Hours |
| STRP 101 | STERILE PROCESSING FUNDAMENTALS ¹ | 5 |
| STRP 120 | STERILE PROCESSING ADVANCED PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES ^{1,3} | 5 |
| SDEV 101 | INTRODUCTION TO THE LCCC COMMUNITY ² | 1 |
| Hours | | 11 |
| Spring Semester | | |
| STRP 110 | STERILE PROCESSING DIRECTED PRACTICE I ³ | 3 |
| STRP 111 or STRP 112 | STERILE PROCESSING DIRECTED PRACTICE II ^{3,4} or STERILE PROCESSING INTERNSHIP | 3 |
| Hours | | 6 |
| Total Hours | | 17 |

¹ Indicates that a grade of C (2.0) or better must be earned in order to continue in the sequence.

² A student must register for the orientation course when enrolling for more than six credit hours per semester or any course that would result in an accumulation of 13 or more credit hours.

³ Indicates that this course has a prerequisite.

⁴ This course offers an opportunity for experiential learning.

Program Contact(s):

Korrine M. Anderson

440-366-7194

kanderson@lorainccc.edu

For information about admissions, enrollment, transfer, graduation and other general questions, please contact your advising team

(<https://www.lorainccc.edu/admissions-and-enrollment/advising-and-counseling/>).

Admission Requirements for Sterile Processing

1. Official high school or GED and college/program transcripts (if applicable) on file in the LCCC Records office.
2. Program application form on file by June 1st for the following Fall semester selection. Program application form on file by September 5th for Spring semester.
*Applications submitted after the deadline are accepted based on available seats and on first come first serve basis
3. Minimum GPA of 2.0 for college-level courses including transfer/transient work (excludes developmental education and more than two physical education courses).
4. Attend informational session on the Sterile Processing career field. Contact the advising team for specific dates, times, and location.

Learn more about Allied Health program requirements (<http://catalog.lorainccc.edu/academic-information/allied-health-nursing-admissions/>)

Program Learning Outcomes

1. Adhere to professional behaviors of caring, accountability, responsibility, and respect for the quality of patient care.
2. Utilize critical thinking with sterile technique and sterile processing concepts for clinical judgment, anticipatory decision making, and managing tasks related to the sterile processing technician role.
3. Perform technical skills in managing the process for surgical instrumentation sterilization, inventory control and supply chain management, and information technology as it relates to the sterile processing environment.