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TO: Fall 2023 Curriculum Committee

FROM: Tyronne Johnson, Chair, Department of Allied Health, Mental Health and Human

Services

DATE: 10/6/23

RE: Change in Admission Criteria for A.A.S. Surgical Technology

The Department of Allied Health, Mental Health and Human Services is proposing a change in Admission Criteria for the A.A.S. Surgical Technology.

#### FROM:

#### **Minimum Entrance Requirements**

To be considered for the Surgical Technology Program, students must be English and Math proficient as determined by the CUNY Proficiency Index, unless otherwise exempt, or have successfully completed any required developmental or corequisite model course(s).

The student must achieve a minimum grade of "C" in BIO 1100 and ENG 1200 for consideration for the program. Courses from other colleges to be applied toward program requirements must have grades submitted for them.

In order to apply for the Surgical Technology program, the student must complete the Surgical Technology Program Application and submit to the Program Director. Applications are reviewed by the Program Director after final grades have been recorded for the semester. The Program Director will send a letter of acceptance of denial before the start of the semester in which the student applied.

Due to limited clinical site availability, enrollment in the Program is limited. Therefore, completion of the prerequisite courses with a minimum grade of "C" is not a guarantee of admission into the Surgical Technology Program.

#### TO:

To be considered for the Surgical Technology Program, students must comply with the following:

- 1. Must be English and Math proficient as determined by the CUNY Proficiency Index, unless otherwise exempt, or have successfully completed any required developmental or corequisite model course(s).
- 2. Complete the following three courses, BIO 1100, ENG 1200, and ST 990 with a minimum grade point average of 2.40. Students must earn a minimum grade of "B" in either BIO 1100 or ST 990 and cannot earn below a grade of "C" in any of these three courses.

3. The admissions process is a competitive process and not all applications are granted admission to the program. Top candidates participate in a formal interview with the Surgical Technology Faculty Panel.

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### **Rationale for Change:**

The Admission Criteria have been updated to address the following:

The program is adding a new course, ST 990 – Integrated Healthcare Sciences and Medical Terminology (3 credits, 3 hours lecture). This will serve as a Gateway course for program admission. In addition, the course incorporates some content for sterile processing in line with ARC/STSA CCST-7e requirements, allowing students who have the sterile processing credential to receive Credit for Prior Learning (CPL) for the course.

In addition, we are stipulating a minimum grade requirement of "B" for either BIO 1100 or ST 990 as these are Gateway courses for the major. A minimum grade point average of 2.40 for the three required courses assists in identifying students with the greatest probability of success and retention within the program.

In order to be transparent, we are including information regarding the competitiveness of the program and the formal interview process.