

## Program and Degree

- Surgical Technology, Associate of Science  
<https://www.baptistu.edu/surgical-technology>
  
- Curriculum
  - [https://www.baptistu.edu/sites/default/files/academic\\_programs/curriculum/SurgicalTech%20Curriculum%20Plan%204.6.21.pdf](https://www.baptistu.edu/sites/default/files/academic_programs/curriculum/SurgicalTech%20Curriculum%20Plan%204.6.21.pdf)
  
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The Baptist Health Sciences University Surgical Technology program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) upon the recommendation of Accreditation Review Council on Education in Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (ARC/STSA). Students successfully completing all surgical technology degree requirements will receive an Associate of Science (AS) degree in Surgical Technology and are candidates to sit for the national examination to become a Certified Surgical Technologist through The National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (NBSTSA). Passing the national examination qualifies the individual as a Certified Surgical Technologist (CST®). The Association of Surgical Technologists (AST) recommends that all surgical technologists obtain this certification and retain this credential throughout their professional career. Additional requirements for licensure may be required by the state in which you practice. To apply for the Certified Surgical Technologist certification, one must graduate from a CAAHEP- or ABHES-accredited program or be military-trained.

For more information about state licensing requirements, please review the **Association of Surgical Technologists** website at [https://www.ast.org/Public\\_Policy/Map\\_of\\_State\\_Laws/](https://www.ast.org/Public_Policy/Map_of_State_Laws/)

**Table - Professional Licensure/Credentials by State**

State	Meets	Does Not Meet	Not Required	Unable To Determine	State	Meets	Does Not Meet	Not Required	Unable To Determine
Alabama				√	Nebraska				√
Alaska				√	Nevada	√			
Arizona				√	New Hampshire				√
Arkansas	√				New Jersey	√			
California				√	New Mexico				√
Colorado				√	New York	√			
Connecticut	√				North Carolina				√
Delaware				√	North Dakota				√
Florida				√	Ohio				√
Georgia				√	Oklahoma				√
Hawaii				√	Oregon	√			
Idaho			√		Pennsylvania	√			
Illinois				√	Rhode Island				√
Indiana	√				South Carolina	√			
Iowa				√	South Dakota				√
Kansas				√	Tennessee	√			
Kentucky				√	Texas	√			
Louisiana				√	Utah				√
Maine				√	Vermont				√
Maryland				√	Virginia				√
Massachusetts			√		Washington				√
Michigan				√	West Virginia				√
Minnesota				√	Wisconsin				√
Mississippi				√	Wyoming				√
Missouri				√	District of Columbia				√
Montana				√	Puerto Rico				√
					US Virgin Islands				√

Idaho and Massachusetts are the *only two* states that specify certification is not required by the state or facility. Other states request certification based on facility policies/procedures and can vary. Additional information for states that require certification can be found at [https://www.ast.org/Public\\_Policy/Map\\_of\\_State\\_Laws/](https://www.ast.org/Public_Policy/Map_of_State_Laws/)