Clinical Requirements

The minimum number of clinical cases which must be completed is 120. Students are required to complete at least 30 cases in General Surgery. Twenty of these cases must be in the first scrub role. Students are required to complete at least 90 cases in various surgical specialties. At least 60 of these cases must be in the first scrub role and evenly distributed between a minimum of 4 surgical specialties. However, 15 is the maximum number of cases that can be counted in any one surgical specialty.

The surgical technology program is required to verify through the surgical case log the student’s progression in first and second scrubbing surgical procedures and the levels of difficulty as the student moves forward toward entry level graduate abilities. Diagnostic endoscopy cases and vaginal delivery cases are not mandatory. However, up to 10 diagnostic cases and 5 vaginal delivery cases can be counted towards the maximum number of second scrub role cases. Observation cases must be documented, but do not count towards the 120 cases.

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