

# ST230: Principles of Surgical Assisting– Surgical Techniques III Lab

**Credit Hours:** 6

**Clock Hours:** 72/48/0

This course will survey basic instrumentation and instrument reprocessing; sutures, staples and wound closure concepts. Surgical techniques for operative anticipation and elementary second assisting include intraoperative case management, handling instrumentation, wound closure devices, drainage systems, and dressing and surgical sponges. This course will also introduce students to surgery and primary surgical procedures within basic specialties, including general, ophthalmic, otorhinolaryngologic, and oral and maxillofacial surgery. Related medical/surgical terminology, anatomy, physiology, and pathophysiology are integrated throughout the course.

**Prerequisites:**

Successful completion of all courses in the previous term.