

Vernon College
Assessment Activity/Report Communication Form
2014-2015

Title: ARC/STSA Annual Report

Date of completion: April 30, 2015

Please circle or highlight: Assessment Activity Report Both

Highlights of data:

Annual Report filed with the Accreditation Review Council on Education in Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting on April 30, 2015.

Programmatic accreditation by CAAHEP requires this annual report to be filed with the program outcomes reported. The report covers data from 8/1/2012 to 7/31/2015 with outcomes being reported for two graduating classes. The Surgical Technology Program must submit various data including budget, tuition, advisory committee membership, etc. and most importantly the five (5) program outcomes measured for program meeting CAAHEP Standards and Guidelines.

Retention Rate: Data required from 8/1/2013 to 7/31/2014.

13 students enrolled with 11 completing for a retention rate of 85%.
CAAHEP Standard threshold is 70% and the program exceeded the standard for Retention.

CST Exam Pass and Participation Rate: Data required from 8/1/2013 to 7/31/2014

11 students tested and 11 students passed for a 100% pass rate and 100% participation rate.
CAAHEP Standard threshold is 70% pass rate with 100% participation rate and the program exceeded the minimum CST exam pass rate and met the participation rate requirement.

Graduate Placement Rate: Data required from 8/1/2012 to 7/31/2013

13 of 15 graduates were placed within six months of graduation for a placement rate of 87%.
CAAHEP Standard threshold is 80% within six months of graduation and the program exceeded the graduate placement rate. Note: This standard changed in August 2013 to 80% placed within one year of graduation.

Employer Survey Satisfaction and Return Rate: Data required from 8/1/2012 to 7/31/2013

13 Surveys sent and returned for a return rate of 100% with a 100% satisfaction rating also. CAAHEP threshold standard is 50% returned with an 85% satisfaction rate. The program exceeded both the satisfaction and return rate.

Graduate Survey Satisfaction and Return Rate: Data required from 8/1/2012 to 7/31/2013

15 graduate surveys were sent with 8 being returned for a return rate of 53% with a satisfaction rate of 100%. CAAHEP Standard threshold is 50% returned with an 85% satisfaction rate. The program exceeded both the satisfaction and return rate.

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Use of data:

Data is used by program coordinator, college administration, and the program advisory committee to develop a plan of action to improve outcomes when necessary and ensure program is in compliance with CAAHEP Standards and Guidelines. The program uses the data to note trends that may indicate improvement or revision is necessary for student success.

The Surgical Technology Program Advisory Committee reviews all program outcomes at the two meetings conducted each year. Recommendations are made for improvement or maintaining program outcomes.

How associated to Student Success?

The use of measurable outcomes ensures the program adheres to the standard curriculum and delivery of skill sets needed to become employed as a surgical technologist.

The outcomes are reviewed for trends and avenues to improve student success in completing the program, passing the CST exam, meeting graduate and employer expectations along with becoming employed after graduation.

Where the report can be found: ARC/STSA, CAAHEP, and ST Program Office

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(Date)

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(Date)

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