

Vernon College
Assessment Activity/Report Communication Form
2016-2017

Title: ARC/STSA Annual Report

Date of completion: April 27, 2017

Highlights of data:

Annual Report filed with the Accreditation Review Council on Education in Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting on April 27, 2017.

Programmatic accreditation by CAAHEP requires this annual report to be filed with program outcomes reported. This report covers data from 8/1/2014 to 7/31/2017 which includes the current class admission rate and the past two graduating classes. This report requires data to include program budget, college and program personnel, tuition/fees, advisory committee membership, and the five (5) program outcomes measured for the ST Program to meet CAAHEP Standards and Guidelines.

Retention Rate: Data required from 8/1/2015 to 7/31/2016.

15 students enrolled with 14 completing and graduating for a Retention Rate of 93%
ARC/STSA thresholds for Retention Rate is 60% effective August 2014. The ST Program exceeded the threshold for retention.

Certified Surgical Technologist (CST) Examination Pass and Participation Rate: Data required from 8/1/2015-7/31/2016.

14 graduates tested and passed the CST examination for a 100% Pass and Participation Rate.
ARC/STSA threshold for CST Examination Pass Rate is 70% with a 100% Participation Rate. The ST Program exceeded the threshold for Pass Rate and met the Participation Rate requirement.

Graduate Placement Rate: Data required from 8/1/2014 to 7/31/2015.

8 of 9 graduates placed within one year of graduation for a Graduate Placement Rate of 89%.
ARC/STSA thresholds for Graduate Placement are 80% within one year of graduation. The ST Program exceeded the threshold for Graduate Placement Rate of 89%.

Employer Survey Satisfaction and Return Rate: Data required from 8/1/2014 to 7/31/2015.

8 Employer Surveys were distributed with all 8 being returned for a 100% Return Rate.
7 of 8 Employer Surveys met the Satisfaction threshold for an 88% Satisfaction Rate of 88%. ARC/STSA threshold for Employer Surveys is an 85% Satisfaction Rate with a 50% Return Rate. The ST Program exceeds both thresholds for Employer Surveys.

Graduate Survey Satisfaction and Return Rate: Data required from 8/1/2014 to 7/31/2015.

9 Graduate Surveys were distributed with 8 being returned for an 89% Return Rate.
8 of the 8 Graduate Surveys met the Satisfaction threshold for a 100% Satisfaction Rate. ARC/STSA thresholds for Graduate Surveys in an 85% Satisfaction Rate with a 50% Return Rate. The ST Program exceeds both thresholds for Graduate Surveys.

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Use of data:

Data is used by the ST Program Coordinator, college administration, and the ST Program Advisory Committee to develop a plan of action to improve outcomes when necessary and ensure the program is meeting ARC/STSA thresholds to remain in compliance with CAAHEP Standards and Guidelines. The program uses the data to note trends that may indicate improvements or revisions are needed to maintain student success.

The Surgical Technology Program Advisory Committee reviews all program outcomes/data at the semi-annual meetings in the fall and spring semester. Recommendations are made when needed to maintain programmatic accreditation standards and student success.

How associated to Student Success?

The utilization of measurable outcomes ensures the ST Program adheres to standard curriculum and delivery of skill sets needed to become employed as an entry-level surgical technologist upon graduation.

The program outcomes are reviewed for trends and avenues to improve student success in completing the program, passing the CST exam, meeting graduate and employer expectations, and placement upon completion and graduation.

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

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