This is to inform students for the Surgical Technologist program at Madison College of changes to our program requirements beginning for the Fall 2012. These changes are being implemented to promote student success in the program.

**Pre-Surgical Technologist Courses:**

**Body Structure and Function changes to General Anatomy & Physiology**
Body Structure and Function 10-501-153 will be changing to General Anatomy & Physiology 20-806-206 beginning Fall 2012 and must be satisfactorily completed *within five (5) years* of starting core Surgical Tech courses. Students who had been previously placed on the waiting list and already taken (between 2006 – 2010) Body Structure & Function will be grandfathered. Both Anatomy & Physiology I and II can be taken to satisfy this requirement if higher degrees will be pursued.

**Functional Microbiology or Microbiology**
The Functional Microbiology 31-512-317 or Microbiology 20-806-273 requirement will be moved to the Pre-Surgical Tech courses area and will be required prior to acceptance into the core Surgical Tech courses for the Fall 2012 accepted group. This requirement must also be satisfactorily completed *within five (5) years* of starting core Surgical Tech courses. Microbiology 20-806-273 or 20-806-274 can be taken to satisfy this requirement if higher degrees will be pursued.

**Written Communication**
Written Communication 10-801-195 or listed alternatives will remain a Pre-Surgical Tech course and must be satisfactorily completed prior to acceptance into core Surgical Tech courses. English 1 20-801-201 can be taken to satisfy this requirement if higher degrees will be pursued.

**Medical Terminology**
Medical Terminology 10-501-153 will remain a Pre-Surgical Tech course and must be satisfactorily completed prior to acceptance into core Surgical Tech courses and it must be satisfactorily completed *within five (5) years* of starting core Surgical Tech courses.