Do you work in a Central Service Department of a Hospital?  
Are you interested in becoming certified as a Central Service Technician?  

Find out about the  
Integrated Central Service Technician Program  
at LaGuardia Community College

Central Service Technicians (CSTs) sterilize and prepare equipment used in hospitals for surgery and other procedures.

If you are interested in this field and certification but are concerned about your academics, the Integrated Central Service Technician Program can help. This program offers the academic (reading, writing and math) and technical skills you need to successfully complete training and pass the International Association of Healthcare Central Service Material Management (IAHCSMM) Certification Exam.

Who is Eligible for the CST Program?  
Applicants must have a high school or GED diploma and meet admissions requirements.

The CST Program has TWO Components:

### Vocational Training Class

**Schedule:** three-months, 9 hours per week  
**Instructional Areas:** microbiology, anatomy and physiology followed by instruction in the skills Central Service Technicians use every day.  
**Assessment:** practical skills exams, multiple-choice tests that mimic the certification exam.  
At the end of the program you will take the CST IAHCSMM Certification Exam. Note: Students who are not currently working in the field participate in a 400-hour work placement at an area hospital.

### Academic Support Class

**Schedule:** one hour before the start of each vocational class.  
**Instruction Areas:** review of CST training materials and concepts, academic skills and study strategies  
**Class Work:** developmental writing assignments, group work and discussion.

The Integrated Central Service Technician Program is funded by AARP and is a collaboration between Career Ladders in Allied Health and the Pre-College Academic Programming Department. For more information, call (718) 482-5031.