Medical Sonography

Health Sciences











ABOUT THIS FIELD

The Diagnostic Medical Sonographer is an individual who provides patient care services using ultrasound technology to take images of the body for interpretation by physicians for diagnostic results. The sonographer must be educationally prepared and clinically competent. The sonographer must also facilitate good communication skills to elicit patient cooperation and understanding. Good communication skills are also a must when working with your imaging team and other colleagues.



WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

Sonography is a multi-specialty profession comprised of abdominal sonography, breast sonography, cardiac sonography, musculoskeletal sonography, obstetrics and gynecology sonography and vascular sonography. Soft skills are also important in sonography. Independence, professionalism, ethical judgement, and critical thinking are essential to provide safe and quality ultrasounds.



WHAT YOU CAN DO

The diagnostic medical sonographer functions as a delegate agent of the physician and doesn't practice independently. Most sonographers work in a hospital setting, but could be employed at a physicians' office, mobile service or educational institution.



PROGRAM START DATES:

Refer to college catalog for deadline dates

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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CLASSES YOU'LL NEED TO TAKE

ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE (AAS) - A45440

Total Semester Hour Credits: 75

EALL CEME	CTED 1				
FALL SEME Prefix Nu	nber Title	Class	Lab	Clinical	Credit
BIO 163	Basic Anatomy and Physiology	4	2	0	5
ENG 111	Writing & Inquiry	3	0	0	3
SON 110	Introduction to Sonography	1	3	3	3
SON 130	Abdominal Sonography I	2	3	0	3
Choose one of the following:					
MAT 143	Quantitative Literacy	2	2	0	3
MAT 152	Statistical Methods	3	2	0	4
	Totals	13	8	3	17
SPRING SEMESTER 1					
SON 111	Sonographic Physics	3	3	0	4
SON 120		0	0	15	5
SON 131	Abdominal Sonography II	1	3	0	2
SON 140	9 1 3	2	0	0	2
Choose 4 credits from the following:					
PHY 110	Conceptual Physics	3	0	0	3
PHY 110		0	2	0	1
PHY 125	Health Sciences Physics	3	2	0	4
	Totals	9	6	15	17
SUMMER SEMESTER					
COM 140	Professional Research and Repo	rting 3	0	0	3
SON 121	SON Clinical Education II	0	0	15	5
SON 275	Pediatric Sonography	2	0	0	2
	Totals	5	0	15	10
FALL SEMESTER 2					
PSY 150		3	0	0	3
SON 220		0	0	24	8
SON 225		0	3	0	1
SON 241	Obstetrical Sonography I	2	0	0	2
SON 250	0 1 3	1	3	0	2
	Totals	5	8	24	16
SPRING SEM	ECTED 2				
ENG 114	Professional Research and Repo	rting 2	0	0	3
SON 221	SON Clinical Education IV	rung 5 0	0	24	<i>3</i>
SON 247		2	0	0	o 2
SON 289		2	0	0	2
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