BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHY

Credential Awarded: Bachelor of Science Degree Clock hours: 3240 Quarter Credit Hours: 190

GENERAL EDUCATION COURSEWORK

Didactic Clock Hours: 600 Outside Work Clock Hours: 1200 Quarter Credit Hours: 60

3 quarters of enrollment

COURSE DESCRIPTION	Quarter Credit Hours	Didactic Clock Hours	Outside Work Clock Hours
Written Communication - WCOM101 This course is designed to empower students to write effectively. Students will learn to evaluate their audience, choose topics and organize their ideas and materials. They will practice writing a first draft, editing and proof reading their work for errors. Additionally, students will undertake a research project following a systematic process.	2.50	25	50
Oral Communication - OCOM101 This course is designed to empower students to speak effectively in a public forum. Students will learn public speaking contexts, topic selection, audience analysis and ethical communication. Students will practice organizing and outlining ideas, constructing introductions and conclusions, and utilizing presentational aids. Students will deliver three speeches in this class; to include one demonstration speech, one informative speech, and one persuasive speech.	2.50	25	50
Medical Terminology - MT102 This course is a comprehensive review of medical terminology. Word analysis will be explained and demonstrated. Terminology relating to anatomy and physiology as well as pathology will be discussed. The course will explore the completion of medical reports and communication with other medical professionals.	5.0	50	100
Algebra - ALG103 Student interests are engaged with an overview of basic algebra. This is a comprehensive review of math topics including linear equations, exponents, quadratic equations and graphing of linear equations.	5.0	50	100
Anatomy and Physiology I - AP I 104 In this course, students will learn the chemical basis of life, cellular metabolism, and the different types of tissues that comprise the human body. The structure and function of the integumentary, skeletal, and muscular systems of the human body will be taught.	5.0	50	100
Ethics and Leadership - ETH201 This course will provide an introduction to professionalism, ethics and leadership. Students will be trained in the seven mindsets of the Power of Professionalism by Bill Wiersma. Students will explore the ethical responsibilities of leadership, moral choice and its impact on organizations.	5.0	50	100

Introduction to Psychology - PSY202	5.0	50	100
This is a general overview course focusing on the scientific study of			
both the behavioral and mental processes of human beings. More			
specifically, we will be covering the history of psychology and scientific			
thought, the biological basis of behavior, research methodology and			
statistics, sensation and perception, states of consciousness, memory,			
language, intelligence, developmental psychology, personality,			
learning patterns, biological and developmental processes, motivation			
and emotion, stress, psychopathology, and social behaviors. Core skills			
needed for developing emotional intelligence will also be discussed.			
Introduction to Biology - BIO203	5.0	50	100
This course introduces the student to biology. Organisms are studied			
from their behavioral, ecological, hereditary and evolutionary			
perspectives. Topics include: cellular life and reproduction, genetics,			
biological diversity, animal and plant form and function, and ecology.			
Students explore the relevance of biology to contemporary issues in			
human society.			
Anatomy and Physiology II - AP II 204	5.0	50	100
In this course, students will learn the structure and function of the			
nervous, endocrine, blood, cardiovascular, Immune and lymphatic			
systems of the human body. Electrical and chemical reactions,			
transport of substances, and defense mechanisms of the human body			
will be studied.			
Introduction to General Physics - PHY301	5.0	50	100
In this course, students will discuss the concepts of physics. Particular			
emphasis will be placed on measurements and standards in length,			
mass, and time. Physics of motion in both one and two dimensions will			
be covered. The laws of motion, energy, momentum and collisions are			
explained. We will cover states of matter and thermodynamics, and			
will study waves considering sound, reflection and refraction of light.			
Art History - ART302	5.0	50	100
This course is designed to give students an appreciation of the human			
form in art. Art and the human form have long been studied by early			
physicians and artists, which leads to a greater understanding of the			
human body. We will start in the Renaissance period with Leonard Di			
Vinci and move through the ages until we reach the millennium and			
the digital age. We will discuss the social and political environments			
unique to each time period and their affect on the artist.			
Pathology - PATH303	5.0	50	100
This course teaches a systems approach to categorize human diseases			
and other health conditions. Students will review case studies of			
selected major health problems and develop effective methods of			
clinical assessment and disease management. Students will			
strengthen their medical vocabulary; practice critical thinking skills			
and document case study findings.			
Anatomy and Physiology III - AP III 304	5.0	50	100
In this course, students will learn the structure and function of the		- -	
digestive, respiratory, urinary, and reproductive systems of the human			
body. Nutrition and metabolism, water, electrolyte, and acid base			
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balance will be discussed. Pregnancy, growth, and development will be studied. Students will also be introduced to the study of genetics			

TECHNICAL COURSEWORK

Didactic Clock Hours: 1680 Outside Work Clock Hours: 144 Quarter Credit Hours: 98

7 quarters of enrollment

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	Credit Hours	Clock Hours	Work Clock
		100	Hours
Ultrasound Physics and Instrumentation Lecture - PHY200	8.0	120	24
Through discussion, the properties of sound physics and machine			
instrumentation will be addressed. Students will gain a deeper			
understanding of the interactions of ultrasound within the human			
body and the proper use of ultrasound applications. Emphasis will be			
placed on ultrasound theory, parts of the machine, transducer			
construction/ function and Doppler principles.			
Ultrasound Physics and Instrumentation Clinical/laboratory -	6.0	120	0
PHY200L			
Students will learn "knobology" by scanning predetermined protocols			
that afford manipulation of specific knobs and machine function.			
Emphasis is placed on the technical aspects of scanning and applying			
the principles of physics.			
Vascular Sonography Lecture - VAS201	8.0	120	24
Student interests are engaged with this challenging series on vascular			
anatomy, physiology, hemodynamics and disease of the vascular			
system. Emphasis is placed on intra/extra-cranial vessels as well as			
vessels of the upper and lower extremity arterial and venous systems.			
Doppler, Bernoulli's Principle, Poiseuille's Law and relative statistics			
complete this course study.			
Vascular Sonography Clinical/laboratory - VAS201L	6.0	120	0
Students learn with a hands-on approach to perform ultrasound on			
cerebral carotids and vessels of the upper and lower extremity both			
arterial and venous. Doppler waveforms and spectral analysis, as well			
as initial impressions are taught. ABI's, blood pressure, and intima			
medial thickness are explained.			
Abdominal Ultrasound Lecture - ABD202	8.0	120	24
In lecture students are introduced to anatomy, physiology and			
pathophysiology of the abdominal soft tissue structures. Additionally,			
students will appreciate the sonographic appearance of the visceral			
organs and vasculature, as well as the thyroid, testes and breast.			
Abdominal Ultrasound Laboratory - ABD202L	6.0	120	0
Students will learn and demonstrate scanning protocols for the			
abdominal organs and vasculature in the on-campus laboratory.			
Emphasis is placed on basic patient evaluation, care, and preliminary			
reporting.			
Gynecology and Obstetrics Lecture - OBG203	8.0	120	24
Students will be introduced to anatomy, physiology and ultrasound			
appearance of the female pelvis. Special emphasis will be placed on			
recognizing normal and abnormal anatomy of the uterus, ovaries,			
fallopian tubes and adnexa. In the obstetrical portion, students will be			
exposed to the trimesters, normal and abnormal fetal development,			
the placenta, fetal presentation, and fetal biometry.			
Gynecology and Obstetrics Laboratory - OBG203L	6.0	120	0
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Students will learn and demonstrate gynecology and obstetrical			
protocols, including biometry measurements and report writing.			
Limited obstetrical exams are performed on volunteers.			
Musculoskeletal Ultrasound Lecture - MSK310	8.0	120	24
Students will study the anatomy, physiology and kinesiology of soft			
tissue structures associated with the upper and lower extremities.			
Students will identify bone markings for the purpose of locating			
origins and insertions of muscles. Students will analyze sports, work,			
and accident related injuries. Musculoskeletal disorders including			
pathological, genetic, vascular, neurological and, articular will be			
discussed.			
Musculoskeletal Ultrasound Laboratory - MSK310L	6.0	120	0
Students will practice predetermined musculoskeletal ultrasound			
protocols of the upper and lower extremities. Students will identify			
soft tissue anatomy and differentiate pathology. Students will learn			
how to present their findings and write preliminary reports.			
Advanced Vascular Lecture - AVAS300	8.0	120	24
This lecture course will take the student to the upper levels of			
advanced vascular. The ultrasound scanning protocols will include			
radio frequency ablation of the superficial veins, IMT (Intima Media			
Thickness), renal insufficiency, penile Doppler and diabetes			
evaluation. A particular emphasis will be placed on carotid			
examination and disease state, intracranial study and disease, and			
lower extremity vascular study and disease. Students will also study			
vein mapping for surgical interventions, graft studies, upper vascular,			
renal failure with inclusion of hemodialysis and the study of patients			
with diabetes and pathology due to the disease.			
Advanced Vascular Clinical/laboratory - AVAS300L	6.0	120	0
In the clinical/laboratory the student will perform bilateral carotid			
artery Duplex examination, transcranial Doppler (TCD), bilateral lower			
extremity arterial and venous Duplex examination, and bilateral upper			
extremity arterial and venous Duplex examination. Arterial segmental			
pressures of upper and lower extremities will be introduced. The			
student will also perform mesenteric Duplex examination, renal artery			
Duplex, aorto-iliac Duplex and venous valvular incompetence Duplex			
examinations. The student will also perform bilateral lower and upper			
extremity vein mapping.			
Procedures and Biopsy Lecture - PB400	8.0	120	24
Students will study the use of ultrasound guided interventional			
procedures for diagnostic and therapeutic purposes. The range of			
interventions covered will include biopsy of multiple abdominal and			
pelvic viscera, the chest, thyroid, breast and lymph nodes; vascular			
access; endoluminal biopsy; drainage procedures and			
sclerotherapy/radiofrequency thermal ablation. Students will learn			
the critical role of the technologist as a team member in preparing the			
patient and assisting the physician during the course of the procedure.			
Emphasis will be placed on sonographic technique required to assure			
a safe and successful intervention.			
Procedures and Biopsy Laboratory - PB400L	6.0	120	0
Students will practice and develop proficiency with sterile technique			
as applied to interventional procedures. Students will set up			
interventional procedure trays that are specific for each type of			

ultrasound guided procedure, i.e., needle aspiration, core needle	
biopsy, vacuum assisted biopsy, thoracocentesis, vascular access,	
catheter drainages and hysterosonography. Students will have hands	
on experience with different types of needles and catheters to	
understand how they are utilized in both free hand techniques and	
with the use of a mechanical needle guide. Phantoms of abdominal	
organs, thyroid and breast containing embedded lesions for biopsy	
will be scanned. Students will practice appropriate scanning technique	
that will demonstrate target lesions and then recommend a safe	
needle trajectory and skin entry site for the intervention. Students will	
scan while the interventionalist is performing a procedure on the	
phantom, learning to maintain proper transducer alignment so that	
the long axis of the needle and the needle tip are visualized	
throughout the intervention. Proper handling of retrieved fluid and	
biopsy specimens for microbiology, cytology or histology processing	
will be practiced.	

EXTERNSHIP

Clock Hours: 960 Quarter Credit Hours: 32

2 Quarters of enrollment

Prerequisites: Successful completion of all didactic and clinical/laboratory coursework, including all

protocol competencies.

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	Credit Hours		Work Clock
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Externship A - EXT410A	16	480	0
Externship involves the direct interaction of the student within a			
specific medical environment. The student is assigned to a hospital,			
imaging center, clinic, or other environment in which ultrasound is			
performed on patients. Students observe and, when allowed by a			
supervisor, may perform a portion of the exam. This module serves			
to assist the student in making a successful transition from the school			
environment to a clinical setting. Students will write reports, present			
findings, and further explore pathologies.			
Externship B - EXT410B	16	480	0
Externship involves the direct interaction of the student within a			
specific medical environment. The student is assigned to a hospital,			
imaging center, clinic, or other environment in which ultrasound is			
performed on patients. Students observe and, when allowed by a			
supervisor, may perform a portion of the exam. This module serves			
to assist the student in making a successful transition from the			
school environment to a clinical setting. Students will write reports,			
present findings, and further explore pathologies.			

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

Graduates of the Diagnostic Medical Sonography program will:

- 1. Demonstrate a commitment to the field of Diagnostic Medical Sonography, including:
 - Vascular Ultrasound
 - Abdominal Ultrasound
 - Gynecology and Obstetrics Ultrasound
 - Musculoskeletal Ultrasound
 - Ultrasound procedures for biopsy
 - Preventative and screening protocols
- 2. Demonstrate introductory level knowledge of arts and humanities and social and behavioral sciences.
- 3. Read and listen with understanding and express oneself effectively in written and spoken English.
- 4. Demonstrate problem-solving techniques in the basic concepts and principles of the biological and physical sciences.
- 5. Solve mathematical and computational problems.
- 6. Relate anatomy and physiology to the field of diagnostic medical sonography.
- 7. Demonstrate entry level clinical knowledge, skills, and attitudes in the care of patients undergoing ultrasound procedures.
- 8. Demonstrate a commitment to ethics and professionalism.
- 9. Be eligible for an entry level position as an ultrasound technologist.
- 10. Develop skills for lifelong learning.