

Department of Dental Sciences, Diagnostic Evaluation & Rehabilitation Services



School of Health Sciences



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The Department of Dental Sciences, Diagnostic Evaluation and Rehabilitation Services is one of three departments under the School of Health Sciences. There are eleven distinct programs featuring several degrees and certificates including:

Clinical Laboratory Sciences Program

- Medical Laboratory Technician
- CSN Occupational Track
- UNLV Transfer Track
- Medical Laboratory Assistant

Dental Assisting Clinical Program

Dental Hygiene Program`

Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program

- Cardiac/Vascular Ultrasound Track
- General/Vascular Ultrasound Track

Massage Specialist Program

Occupational Therapy Assistant Program

Ophthalmic Technology Program

- Dispensing Technician
- Contact Lens Technician
- Optical Laboratory Technician

Phlebotomy Program

Physical Therapist Assistant Program

Radiation Therapy Technology Program

Reflexology Program

The Clinical Laboratory Sciences Program includes the Medical Laboratory Technician Tracks and the Medical Laboratory Assistant Program. Medical Laboratory Technicians examine and analyze bodily fluids and providing information critical to an accurate patient diagnosis. A CSN Occupational Track and a UNLV Transfer Track are offered. Medical Laboratory Technician graduates are eligible for the Medical Laboratory Technician national certification examination and subsequent Nevada licensure. Medical Laboratory Assistant and Phlebotomy graduates are eligible for the Phlebotomy Technician certification examination and Nevada licensure.

The Dental Assisting Clinical Program is designed to offer students the option of either following the suggested full-time curriculum sequence or completing the course work on a part-time basis. Dental Assistants perform laboratory procedures, expose and process dental radiographs, prepare dental materials and assist in dental procedures.

The Dental Hygiene Program features a Bachelor of Science Degree and an Associate of Science Degree. Students completing the A.A.S. Degree must complete the written National Board Dental Hygiene Examination as well as a clinical examination conducted by a state or regional board in order to become licensed to practice. The Bachelor of Science Degree path is completely on-line and available to students with an active dental hygiene license and a degree from an accredited dental hygiene program. Students are expected to enroll in 2 – 6 credit hours per semester.

Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program prepares students for careers in Cardiac/Vascular Ultrasound and General/Vascular Ultrasound. Students are trained in the use of ultrasound for the imaging of the heart as well as the abdomen and pelvis area. Graduates are eligible to take the examination for certification as a Registered Diagnostic/Cardiac Medical Sonographer and a Registered Vascular Technologist.

The Massage Specialist Program provides a real-world environment where students practice techniques such as Swedish massage, deep tissue massage and Shiatsu. Graduates will be eligible to sit for the certification examination of the National Certification Board of Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork and be eligible for licensure in Nevada and many other states.



The Occupational Therapy Assistant Program is available on a part-time basis over six semesters. Students are taught to treat those who have been disabled by inactivity, disease, workplace accidents and traumatic injuries as well as those born with a disability.

The Ophthalmic Technology Program includes three areas of emphasis designed for the working student.

The Ophthalmic Dispensing Technician emphasis includes instruction and laboratory training in contact lens skills, eyewear-dispensing skills, lens finishing techniques and lens surfacing. Training in low vision aids and prosthetics is also provided.

Training in the **Contact Lens Technician** emphasis prepares students for the National Contact Lens Examiners (NCLE) examination, Contact Lens Society of America (CLSA) Honored Fellow Examination and the Nevada State Board of Dispensing Opticians – Contact Lens Licensure Examination. An apprenticeship is also required in order to fit contact lenses in the state of Nevada.

The Optical Laboratory Technician emphasis prepares students for entry-level positions in an optical surfacing or finishing laboratory. A laboratory practicum consisting of 180 hours is required for program completion.

The Phlebotomy Program trains students to collect blood specimens, check samples and assume responsibility for patients' comfort and safety. A Certificate of Completion is awarded upon completion of the required coursework and a clinical practicum of 120 hours.

The Physical Therapist Assistant Program curriculum consists of courses such as gross anatomy and kinesiology, physical agents, observation and measurement, orthopedic rehabilitation and neuro-rehabilitation. Accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education, graduates are able to sit for the national licensure examination.

The Radiation Therapy Technology Program prepares students for work with radiation oncologists where they deliver daily doses of ionizing radiation to prescribed tumor volumes. Graduates are eligible to sit for the National Exam for the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists Certification in Radiation Therapy.

The Reflexology Program consists of 279 contact hours of instruction over 2 semesters and prepares graduates for the American Reflexology Certification Board's national certification exam. Program content includes detailed anatomy and physiology of the leg and foot, legal and ethical training, licensing regulations and reflexology techniques.



Health Sciences Admissions Information

Many programs are available to students on a full or part-time basis. Some programs may be limited-entry. For information on the requirements for application, admission, orientation and other prerequisites for both limited-entry and open-entry programs, please contact **702-651-5690** (Charleston Campus) **702-651-4530** (Cheyenne Campus) or visit us on-line at **www.csn.edu/health**.

Registering is easy!

1. Submit an Admissions Form online.
(Returning students register using the Online Registration System. New students must speak to a counselor or advisor before registering.)
2. Complete Online Orientation.
3. Take the Placement Assessment.
4. Register for Courses.
5. Pay for Courses.
(For more information call 650-2276 or visit us at www.csn.edu and select Admissions.)

Financial Aid

Financial aid, scholarships and grants may be available to qualified students. For more information call Student Financial Services at **702-651-5660** or visit **www.csn.edu**, select Admissions and then Financial Aid.

Open Door Policy

CSN subscribes to an open-door policy of admitting high school graduates or non-graduates who are capable of benefiting from post-secondary education. For additional information call the Office of the Registrar at **702-651-5610** or visit **www.csn.edu** and select Admissions to apply online.



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