

DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHY – SUMMER 2020

C A R E E E R G U I D E

Job Description

Diagnostic Medical Sonographers are skilled health care workers who assist the physician as a sonographer.

Diagnostic Medical Sonographers perform various procedures which have been delegated to them by the physician. These procedures include:

- Obtain, review, and integrate pertinent patient history and supporting clinical data to facilitate optimum diagnostic results.
- Perform appropriate procedures and record anatomical, pathological and/or physiological data for interpretation by a physician.
- Record and process sonographic data and other pertinent observations made during the procedure for presentation to the interpreting physician.
- Exercise discretion and judgment in the performance of sonographic services.
- Provide patient education related to medical ultrasound and promote principles of good health.

Career Opportunities

The rewards as a Diagnostic Sonographer include great job opportunities in a variety of employment settings:

- Hospitals
- Outpatient Facilities
- Diagnostic Imaging Centers
- Physicians' Offices

Approximate Salary in Nevada

Hourly Wage Range \$25.73 \$46.83
Median Hourly Wage \$35.13

Source: Nevada 2017 OES Wage Data"
www.nevadaworkforce.com

Program Description

The Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program at the College of Southern Nevada is a 6 semester program of study. The goal of the program is to prepare competent entry-level adult cardiac sonographers in the cognitive (knowledge), psychomotor (skills), and affective (behavior) learning domains. The curriculum courses are designed to train students in the use of ultrasound for the imaging of the heart and vascular systems. Graduates of this program are needed on a local, statewide, and national basis. Upon graduation the student is eligible to sit for the examination for certification as a Registered Diagnostic Cardiac Sonographer.

The CSN Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (www.caahep.org) upon the recommendation of the Joint Review Committee on Education in Diagnostic Medical Sonography.

Certification as a Sonographer

No individual is eligible to apply for certification unless in compliance with all American Registry of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers rules and standards. An individual who has been convicted of, pled guilty to, or pled nolo contendere to a felony or misdemeanor directly related to public health or the provision of diagnostic medical sonography or vascular technology services

Approximate Costs

(Costs are subject to change)

Tuition:	
92 credits x \$98.75 per credit hr	\$9,085.00
Student Union Fee per credit hr	\$8.00
Technology Fee per credit hr	\$6.50
Books	\$650.00
Lab Fees	\$15.00-50.00 per lab
Uniforms	\$30.00 - \$50.00
CPR Certification	\$50.00 - \$75.00
Physical Exam	\$50.00 - \$75.00
Immunizations	\$0 - \$60.00
Medical Insurance	\$20.00 - \$190.00/month
Applies only if you are presently uninsured.	
College Application Fee	\$20.00
One time, non-refundable fee charged to new students only.	
Non-resident Fee	\$3,456.50 per semester
This is in addition to the tuition and technology fee and is assessed to nonresident students enrolling in 7 or more credit hours.	

shall be ineligible to apply for the certification or recertification for a period of three years from the exhaustion of appeals or final release from confinement (if any), or satisfactory completion of all conditions of and the entire term of parole or probation, whichever is latest. (The American Registry of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers). To clarify your eligibility, all questions should be directed to the ARDMS at 1-800-541-9754.

Admission Requirements

The Diagnostic Medical Sonography degree is a Limited-Entry Program. Therefore, all prerequisite requirements must be completed by the completion deadline in order to be eligible for consideration. See reverse side for specific requirements.

Application Deadline

Students applying for the Summer 2020 program must submit an application to the Limited-Entry Office by **February 1, 2020**. Final grades or transcript evaluation must be in the Limited-Entry Office by **February 1, 2020**. A "Limited-Entry Application for Admission to a Health Science Program" may be obtained online at: <https://www.csn.edu/Limited-Entry-Admission>

Accepted Students

Students accepted into the program will be required to show proof of CPR certification, health insurance, physical exam, and immunization against Hepatitis B, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Tetanus, Varicella and Diphtheria. Additionally, proof of a negative two-step TB skin test and negative urine drug screen will also be required. In addition, students may be required to submit to an official background check. All documentation is due prior to the first scheduled clinical education experience.

Accreditation

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP)
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Clearwater, FL 33763
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