Diagnostic Medical Sonography Associate Degree Program
Program start date: Fall • Day and Evening
Flanagan Campus • Applications for Fall 2014-16 • DMSD

Admissions Guidelines

Minimum requirements to apply to the Diagnostic Medical Sonography program:

1. **CCRI application** – Complete and submit an Application for Enrollment to CCRI. General Studies should be first choice; DMSD should be second choice.

2. **High school transcript** – Send an official copy of a high school transcript or GED, including date of graduation must be provided. If the applicant holds a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college/university, the high school transcript may be waived; college transcript must indicate completion and degree awarded.

3. **Placement testing** – Complete a standardized test (ACCUPLACER) issued by CCRI’s Department of Advising and Counseling. Students may NOT retake the ACCUPLACER test before completing the remedial course/courses.
   - **Reading comprehension test** must show competency of 80 or above or students must complete ENGL 0890: Critical Reading with a grade of “B-“ or better.

4. **Complete courses required for admission with a grade of “C” or better:**
   - ENGL 1010: Composition I
   - MATH 1700: Algebra for Technology (MATH 1200, MATH 1900 and MATH 1910 also meet this requirement.)
   - PHYS 1000: Physical Science (PHYS 1030 also meets this requirement.)

5. **Complete courses required for admission with a grade of “B-” or better:**
   - BIOL 1070: Anatomy and Physiology or BIOL 1010: Human Anatomy

6. **Aptitude Examination** – Take the PSB Health Occupations Aptitude Examination administered through Advising and Counseling. The exam may be taken no more than three times (see psbtests.com).

7. **GPA** – A grade point average of 2.0 or better for all college courses taken.

8. **Health Sciences application** – Complete and submit performance-based Health Sciences application including a preadmission degree evaluation during the open enrollment period.

**Submission of a performance-based Health Sciences application does not guarantee acceptance to the program. Acceptance is based on points earned as listed in the program acceptance criteria point system (see reverse or www.ccri.edu/dean-hrs). At the time of admission, students must meet the current admission requirements. Students declining acceptance into the program for the semester offered must resubmit a performance-based Health Sciences application and meet the current admission requirements. Once accepted, students must attend a mandatory orientation conducted by the Allied Health Department.**

9. **Background Check** – Students are required to submit a background check when directed by notification from Enrollment Services.

**Policies for the Diagnostic Medical Sonography program after acceptance:**
- Applicants must have a physical examination and the required immunizations completed prior to the beginning of the Diagnostic Medical Sonography program.
- Students must also have a current CPR card (American Heart Association, Health Care Provider level) obtained through an AHA recognized community training center (Course is also available at CCRI – HEAL 0200.)

Please note: requirements are subject to change.

**For more information:** www.ccri.edu/dean-hrs/admiss-docs.html
- Office of Enrollment Services, Mike Hynes, Liston (Providence) Campus: 401-455-6104, mhynes@ccri.edu
- If more specific information is needed, contact Paula Cardillo, program director, at 401-333-7449 or via e-mail at pcardillo@ccri.edu.

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The performance-based acceptance process is based on the performance indicators identified for the Diagnostic Medical Sonography program. A point system, based on the admissions guidelines, has been assigned to the performance criteria.

The criteria for the incoming Fall 2014 class will include:

- GPA in prerequisite courses
- Grades in MATH 1700 or 1200 and BIOL 1070 or BIOL 1010
- ACCUPLACER reading score/degree completion
- PSB Health Occupations Aptitude Test (academic aptitude)
- PSB Health Occupations Aptitude Test (information in the Natural Sciences)

1. **Prerequisite GPA for prerequisite courses X 10:**
   Example: 3.67 GPA X 10 = 36.7 points

2. **Grades in specified courses using the following scale:**
   - A = 10 points
   - B+ = 7 points
   - C+ = 2 points
   - A- = 8 points
   - B = 5 points
   - C = 1 point
   - B- = 3 points

   Grade in BIOL 1070 or BIOL 1010
   Grade in MATH 1700 or Math 1200

3. **ACCUPLACER reading comprehension test score**
   - Score of 90 or better = 10
   - A bachelor’s degree = 10
   - A grade of “A” in ENGL 0890 = 10

   **ACCUPLACER test may be taken no more than three times.**

4. **PSB Health Occupations Aptitude Exam (Academic aptitude total)**
   Percentile score X .25
   Example: 72 percentile score X .25 = 18

5. **PSB Health Occupations Aptitude Exam (Information in the Natural Sciences)**
   Percentile score X .05
   Example: 85 percentile score X .05 = 4.25

   **PSB aptitude test may be taken no more than three times.**

   Maximum Points Total = 100

**Tie breaker: Earliest completion of preadmission courses**

Credits granted through AP, CLEP, challenge exams or assessment of prior learning will be recognized as satisfying course requirements and will be assigned points equivalent to a grade of “B”.

***A student with a baccalaureate degree or higher may still be required to complete an ACCUPLACER Test depending on the prerequisites for individual general education courses.***

Please review the Department of Health website at www.health.ri.gov/licenses/healthcare/index.php to learn about licensing requirements for the health sciences professions.

**Please Note:** A Social Security number is required to begin the licensing process for the health sciences professions.