

Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS)

- All applicants must test in Math, English, Reading, and Science
- Minimum score of 70 per section
- Scores valid for 3 years
- May test 3 times (Jan - Dec)
- 1 month retest waiting period

Additional Information

nvcc.edu/medical/apply > Take TEAS Test



Competitive Admission Criteria

- Admission is competitive
- Only top applicants accepted
- Final grades in BIO 141, BIO 142, DMS 100, MTH 161, and PHY 100
- Highest scores of all attempts on TEAS preadmission test
- All applicants will be notified of their acceptance status

Want more information?

Information Session:

www.nvcc.edu/academics/pathways/health-sciences/diagnostic-medical-sonography.html

How to Apply & Application Help

nvcc.edu/medical/apply

Advising: 703.822.6531

Email: virtualadvising@nvcc.edu

Sonography Dept: 703.822.6648

Employment & Salary Statistics

www.bls.gov/ooh/Healthcare/Diagnostic-medical-sonographers.htm

American Registry of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers

www.ardms.org

Society of Diagnostic Medical Sonography

www.sdms.org

American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine

www.aium.org

This information is provided as a general guide for prospective students and is subject to change without prior notice. Interested applicants should visit the online information session each year to get the most up-to-date requirements.

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NOVA | Northern Virginia
Community College



Abdominal-Extended and Obstetrics and Gynecology, Vascular & Adult Echocardiography Programs

Apply May 1 - May 15

Classes start in August

<https://www.nvcc.edu/academics/pathways/health-sciences/diagnostic-medical-sonography.html>

Medical Education Campus
Sonography Department
6699 Springfield Center Drive, Room 239
Springfield, VA 22310
Phone: 703.822.6648

What is a Sonographer?

Sonographers perform ultrasounds, a medical imaging procedure that uses sound waves to produce an image. They may work in hospitals, private offices, and outpatient medical facilities. The Virginia average annual salary in 2021 was \$77,480.



Application Requirements

- Review online Information Session
- Have minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA
- DMS 100; B or better grade
- SDV 101 Orientation to Healthcare or SDV 100; B or better grade
- ENG 111, 112, or 200-level ENG literature course; B or better grade
- BIO 141 and BIO 142 within past 5 years; B or better grade
- MTH 161 or higher; B or better grade
- PHY 100, 101, 201, 202, 241, or 242 within past 5 years; B or better grade
- TEAS test with minimum score of 70 in English, Reading, Math, and Science
- Apply between May 1 to May 15
- Applications with B- or C grades, missing grades, and applications with pending transfer credit will not be considered for admission

The Sonography Programs at NOVA

- Full-time 4 semester program
- Classes begin every August and end in December the following year (16 months)
- Lectures and labs are held at the Medical Education Campus, Springfield VA
- 1,088 Clinical hours
- Dedicated Sonography lab
- Certified and knowledgeable faculty
- Graduates are eligible to take the RDMS, RDCS, or RVT certification exams

Program Accreditation

The Diagnostic Medical Sonography Abdominal-Extended and Obstetrics and Gynecology, Adult Cardiac, and Vascular Programs are accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP.org) upon the recommendation of the Joint Review Committee on Education in Diagnostic Medical Sonography (JRCDS.org).

Diagnostic Medical Sonography Programs



Associate of Applied Science Degree

Prerequisites

BIO 141 (4cr)	BIO 142 (4cr)	ENG 111 (3cr)
MTH 161 (3cr)	SDV 101 (1cr)	PHY 100 (4cr)
DMS 100 (1cr)		

- Complete prerequisites and apply to the program
- Students may only attend one program at a time

ABDOMEN EXT. &

OB/GYN

Semester 1

DMS 190 (2cr)
DMS 206 (3cr)
DMS 207 (2cr)
DMS 217 (1cr)
DMS 208 (2cr)
DMS 218 (1cr)
HLT 141 (1cr)*
HLT 220 (3cr)

Semester 2

DMS 196 (3cr)
DMS 209 (2cr)
DMS 219 (1cr)
DMS 211 (4cr)
DMS 212 (3cr)

Semester 3

DMS 231 (3cr)
DMS 241 (3cr)
DMS 242 (3cr)

Hum/Fine Art (3cr)

- Complete the SPI certification exam from ARDMS

Semester 4

DMS 222 (2cr)
DMS 223 (3cr)
DMS 232 (4cr)

PSY 200 (3cr)**

Total = 72cr

VASCULAR

Semester 1

DMS 190 (2cr)
DMS 206 (3cr)
DMS 207 (2cr)
DMS 217 (1cr)
DMS 208 (2cr)
DMS 218 (1cr)
HLT 141 (1cr)*
HLT 220 (3cr)

Semester 2

DMS 260 (4cr)
DMS 196 (3cr)
DMS 209 (2cr)
DMS 219 (1cr)
PSY 200 (3cr)**

Semester 3

DMS 231 (3cr)
DMS 160 (4cr)
DMS 265 (1cr)

Hum/Fine Art (3cr)

Semester 4

DMS 204 (3cr)
DMS 232 (4cr)
DMS 266 (2cr)

Hum/Fine Art (3cr)

Total = 68cr

ADULT CARDIAC

Semester 1

DMS 190 (2cr)
DMS 206 (3cr)
DMS 207 (2cr)
DMS 217 (1cr)
DMS 208 (2cr)
DMS 218 (1cr)
HLT 141 (1cr)*
HLT 220 (3cr)

Semester 2

DMS 150 (4cr)
DMS 196 (3cr)
DMS 209 (2cr)
DMS 219 (1cr)
PSY 200 (3cr)**

Semester 3

DMS 231 (3cr)
DMS 250 (4cr)
DMS 256 (1cr)

* or HLT 143, HIM 111, or score of 70 or higher on the Medical Terminology ABLE exam

** or any 3-credit PSY course

- Complete the RDMS, RVT or RDCS certification exam from ARDMS after graduation