

## Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS)

- All applicants must test in Math, English, Reading and Science
- Minimum score of 50 per section
- Scores valid for 3 years
- May test 3 times (Jan - Dec)
- 1 month retest waiting period

## Additional Information

[nvcc.edu/medical/apply](http://nvcc.edu/medical/apply) > Take TEAS Test



## Competitive Admission Criteria

- Admission is competitive
- Only top applicants accepted (14 Abdominal-Extended & OB/GYN, 8 Adult Cardiac, 6 Vascular)
- Final grades in BIO 141, BIO 142 MTH 154 and PHY 100
- Highest scores of all attempts on TEAS
- All applicants will be notified of their acceptance status

## Want more information?

### Information Session:

[nvcc.edu/academics/areas/nursing-health-sciences/diagnostic-medical-sonography.html](http://nvcc.edu/academics/areas/nursing-health-sciences/diagnostic-medical-sonography.html)

### How to Apply & Application Help

[nvcc.edu/medical/apply](http://nvcc.edu/medical/apply)

**Advising: 703.822.6531**

Email: [virtualadvising@nvcc.edu](mailto:virtualadvising@nvcc.edu)

**Sonography Dept: 703.822.6648**

Email: [novasono@nvcc.edu](mailto:novasono@nvcc.edu)

### Employment & Salary Statistics

[www.bls.gov/ooh/Healthcare/Diagnostic-medical-sonographers.htm](http://www.bls.gov/ooh/Healthcare/Diagnostic-medical-sonographers.htm)

### American Registry of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers

[www.ardms.org](http://www.ardms.org)

### Society of Diagnostic Medical Sonography

[www.sdms.org](http://www.sdms.org)

### American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine

[www.aium.org](http://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



## Diagnostic Medical Sonography

*Abdominal-Extended and Obstetrics and Gynecology, Adult Cardiac, and Vascular Programs*

Apply May 1 - May 15

Classes start in August

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## 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 nationwide average annual salary in 2021 was \$75,380.



## 2023 Application Requirements

- Attend mandatory DMS Prospective Student Workshop within 12 months
- Have minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA
- SDV 101 Orientation to Healthcare or SDV 100; B or better grade
- ENG 111 or higher; B or better grade
- BIO 141 and BIO 142 within past 5 years; B or better grade
- MTH 154 or higher; B or better grade
- PHY 100, PHY 201, or PHY 202 within past 5 years; B or better grade  
(program will also still accept PHY 101 as long as it is within 5 years)
- TEAS test with minimum score of 50 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 154 (3cr)	SDV 101 (1cr)	PHY 100 (4cr)

- 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 (4cr)

#### Semester 3

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

#### Semester 4

DMS 222 (2cr)
DMS 223 (3cr)
DMS 232 (4cr)
PSY 200 (3cr)
<b>Total = 72cr</b>

### 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)

#### Semester 4

DMS 204 (3cr)
DMS 232 (4cr)
DMS 266 (2cr)
Humanities (3cr)
<b>Total = 67cr</b>

### 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)

#### Semester 4

DMS 223 (3cr)
DMS 232 (4cr)
DMS 255 (2cr)
Humanities (3cr)
<b>Total = 67cr</b>

- Complete the SPL certification exam from ARDMS

\* or HIM 111 or Medical Terminology ABLE exam

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