

Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS)

- All applicants must take Math, English, Reading and Science sections
- Minimum score of 50 per section
- Scores valid for 3 years
- May test 3 times (Jan - Dec)
- 1 month retest waiting period
- Only available at MEC Room 344

Additional Information

nvcc.edu/medical/apply > Take TEAS Test

Competitive Admission Criteria

- Admission is competitive
- Only top applicants accepted (14 General, 8 Echo, 6 Vascular)
- Final grades in BIO 141, BIO 142 MTH 154 and PHY 101
- Highest scores of all attempts on TEAS
- Additional points for current RVT, RDMS or RDCS sonographers seeking additional certifications
- All applicants will be notified of their acceptance status

Information Session:

www.nvcc.edu/medical/divisions/allied/sonography.html

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Application FAQs & Tips:

<https://blogs.nvcc.edu/mecexchange>

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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Diagnostic Medical Sonography

General, Echocardiography and Vascular Programs

Apply May 1 - May 15

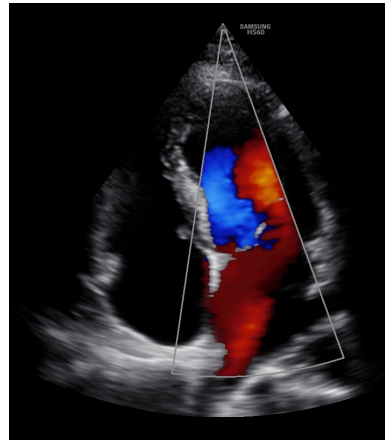
Classes start in August

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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 nationwide average annual salary in 2019 was \$74,320.



2022 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 101 or higher within past 5 years; B or better grade
- TEAS test with minimum score of 50 in English, Reading, Math and Science
- Vascular or Echo programs require a previous Bachelor's degree in any field
- 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
- 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
- General program accredited by CAAHEP

RDMS (General program)

Abdomen, OB/GYN, and small parts

RVT (Vascular program)

Cerebrovascular, peripheral and visceral veins and arteries

RDCS (Echocardiography program)

Adult echocardiography

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 101 (4cr)

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

GENERAL

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)

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)

ECHO

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)

- Complete the SPI certification exam from ARDMS

Semester 4

DMS 222 (2cr)
DMS 223 (3cr)
DMS 232 (4cr)
PSY 200 (3cr)
Total = 72cr

Semester 4

DMS 204 (3cr)
DMS 232 (4cr)
DMS 266 (2cr)
Humanities (3cr)
Total = 67cr

Semester 4

DMS 223 (3cr)
DMS 232 (4cr)
DMS 255 (2cr)
Humanities (3cr)
Total = 67cr

* or HIM 111 or Medical Terminology ABLE exam

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