

DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHY

Program Number: 10-526-2

Associate of Applied Science Degree

Campus: Beaver Dam

This program is eligible for financial aid (<http://www.morainepark.edu/financial-aid/>)

Full-Time Enrollment Only

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About the Program

Diagnostic Medical Sonographers, more commonly referred to as ultrasound technicians, work with specialized equipment that uses soundwaves to produce internal anatomical images of the human body. Their work helps to support medical professionals in making accurate diagnoses.

What You'll Learn

A sonographer is responsible for obtaining patient history, performing the sonographic examination, maintaining patient comfort during the examination, and recording anatomy, pathology or other data for interpretation by the supervising physician.

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Graduates of the Diagnostic Medical Sonography program have knowledge of the normal structure and anatomy of the human body and use independent judgement in recognizing the need to perform procedures according to sonographic findings.

Transfer Opportunities

Your academic journey can continue at a four-year college or university. Earn your associate degree at Moraine Park and then apply those credits toward a bachelor's degree. Starting at MPTC makes completing a bachelor's degree **affordable, accessible** and **convenient**. You can go anywhere as MPTC has transfer agreements with colleges and universities both in Wisconsin and throughout the country.

Visit the Transfer to a Four-Year College (<https://www.morainepark.edu/transfer-to-a-four-year-college/>) page for more information on credit transfer agreements between Moraine Park and four-year colleges, both public and private.

Admission Process

Standard Admissions (<http://www.morainepark.edu/admissions/new-student/how-to-apply-for-admissions/>) steps details

This program also requires:

- Health Requirements
- Criminal Background Check

Credit for Prior Learning

Transform the skills and abilities developed through previous experience into college credit through MPTC's Credit for Prior Learning process.

- Transfer credit from other colleges/universities
- Earn college credit for your military training and experience
- Earn college credit via Advance Placement, CLEP, DANTES/DSST or MPTC Challenge Exams
- Earn college credit from previous/current work and life experiences

Visit MPTC's Credit for Prior Learning (<https://www.morainepark.edu/academics/credit-for-prior-learning/>) page for more information.

Approximate Costs

NOTE: The fees below are 2025-2026 fees. They will be updated when 2026-2027 fees are approved.

Tuition

Occupational

- \$152.85 per credit (resident)
- \$229.28 per credit (out-of-state resident)

Associate of Arts/Associate of Science

- \$192.20 per credit (resident)
- \$288.30 per credit (out-of-state resident)

Online students are not charged out-of-state fees.

Student Fees

- \$5.00 minimum per course Material Fee
- \$13.76 per-credit Supplemental Fee for Undergraduate courses
- \$4.50 per term mandatory Student Accident Insurance Fee

Please refer to Tuition & Fee Information (<https://catalog.morainepark.edu/admissions-registration/tuition-fee-information/>) for additional enrollment fee information.

Financial Aid

Financial Aid is available for associate degree and technical diploma programs (those that are 2 semesters in length and typically with 28 credits or more). Processing can take 4-5 weeks after a student's completed Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA (<https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa/>)) is received.

Several factors influence the total cost of your degree, including enrollment fees, the number of credits required, textbooks and equipment. [Financial aid](https://www.morainepark.edu/pay-for-college/financial-aid/) (<https://www.morainepark.edu/pay-for-college/financial-aid/>) can assist with those costs.

Course Requirements

Course	Title	Credits
Academic Preparedness Requirements		
804-195	College Algebra with Applications	3
806-143	College Physics 1	3
806-177	General Anatomy and Physiology	4
Credits		10
Semester 1		
526-200	Intro to DMS	3

526-210	Cross Sectional Anatomy	2
526-221	Sonography Physics 1	3
801-136	English Composition 1	3
806-179	Advanced Anatomy and Physiology	4
890-101	College 101	2
Credits		17
Semester 2		
103-159	Computer Literacy - Microsoft Office	1
526-207	Abdominal Sonography	4
526-208	OB/GYN Sonography 1	3
526-223	Vascular Imaging 1	3
Social Science Course (https://catalog.morainepark.edu/program-information/general-education/behavioral-social-science/)		3
Credits		14
Summer		
526-203	Scanning with Proficiency	1
526-209	DMS Clinical Experience 1	2
Credits		3
Semester 3		
526-211	Superficial Sonography	2
526-212	OB/GYN Sonography 2	3
526-222	Sonography Physics 2	2
526-226	DMS Clinical Experience 2	4
Behavioral Science Course (https://catalog.morainepark.edu/program-information/general-education/behavioral-social-science/)		3
Credits		14
Semester 4		
526-215	DMS Clinical Experience 3	2
526-217	Registry Review	1
526-219	DMS Clinical Experience 4	2
526-224	Vascular Imaging 2	3
801-196	Oral and Interpersonal Communication	3
Credits		11
Total Credits		69

BLS Provider certification is a required component of the program.

NOTE: To see all course descriptions for Diagnostic Medical Sonography, go to the Radiography/Diagnostic Medical Sonography (526) course description page (<https://catalog.morainepark.edu/course-information/course-descriptions/526/>).

Program Outcomes

- Provide patient care and education.
- Utilize acoustic physics, Doppler ultrasound principles, and ultrasound instrumentation.
- Complete diagnostic sonographic exams.
- Model professional behaviors and ethics.
- Collaborate with members of the healthcare team.

Career Opportunities

- Diagnostic Medical Sonographer
- Ultrasound Tech
- Ultrasonographer

Statewide Median Salary for Recent Graduates

\$72,794