



DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHY PROGRAM

JOB OUTLOOK

UMI Diagnostic Medical Sonography program prepares graduates for entry-level employment as medical sonographers / ultrasound technologists with specialization in general sonography including Abdominal & Small Parts, Obstetrics and Gynecology, and Vascular ultrasound. Working in hospitals, imaging centers, physician offices or clinics, medical sonographers play an important role as members of medical diagnostic and treatment teams.

The job outlook is bright! Ranked #3 on the US News “Best Health Care Support Jobs” report, diagnostic medical sonographers are also projected to enjoy “much faster than average” job market growth, close to \$70,000 median salary nationwide and over \$90,000 in California, according to the US Bureau of Labor and Statistics.

Since 2006, UMI has been training students in the rewarding career of diagnostic medical sonography. Many of UMI’s graduates and alumni are now successfully employed in this highly regarded field and some are even “paying forward” by becoming medical sonography teachers. By making a 24-month commitment, you will emerge from UMI’s Diagnostic Medical Sonography program ready to launch

your career with confidence and a bright outlook.

Join the UMI family! Call us to begin your exciting journey @ 916-334-5118

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

UMI’s Diagnostic Medical Sonography program is a comprehensive career diploma program. Students receive 1000 hours of lecture and laboratory instruction and 960 hours of clinical externship. Normal completion time for this program is 92 instructional weeks excluding holidays and school breaks.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE

Program goal is to prepare competent entry-level general sonographers in the cognitive (knowledge), psychomotor (skills), and affective (behavior) learning domains; and to offer students integrated learning experiences in theory and practice that will enable them to provide high quality images and patient care in keeping with the service excellence philosophy of United Medical Institute.

EVENING & MORNING PROGRAM SESSIONS.



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MODULE I: Physics; Anatomy & Physiology; Medical Terminology; Introduction to Sonography.

This module is an introduction to the profession of sonography and the role of the sonographer. You will learn fundamental science behind sonography and basic concepts of human anatomy and physiology. In this module you will also begin to acquire the language of medicine.

MODULE II: Obstetrics and Gynecology (OB/GYN); Vascular; Abdominal & Small Parts.

In this module, you will apply the principles and concepts of sonographic techniques with hands on training in our ultrasound laboratory. You will learn and practice specific protocols that are used in the diagnostic medical sonography field. In this module, you will also have an opportunity to explore your interests in specialization.

MODULE III: Clinical Externship

The most exciting and challenging part of the program. Under close supervision and guidance by an experienced sonographer, you will put everything you've learned to practice in a professional environment of a hospital, clinic, or imaging center.

ARDMS ELIGIBILITY

Although Ultrasound Technologists are not required to be licensed in State of California, employers may require

professional credentials through the American Registry for Diagnostic Medical Sonography (ARDMS).

UMI will prepare you to sit for the **Sonography Principles and Instrumentation (SPI)** examination that is required by our program policy prior to externship placement and by ARDMS prior to sitting for a DMS specialization examination.

It means that by the time you complete your clinical externship and graduate from the program, you will have fulfilled the educational portion and the first required examination, SPI, needed towards your professional credentials in diagnostic medical sonography.

In addition to passing the SPI examination, and depending on your previous education and/or professional background, ARDMS may have further requirements prior to the student sitting for the specialization examination. To learn more about ARDMS examination prerequisites, please refer to [ARDMS SPI and General Prerequisites](#).



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EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE

Although UMI, not unlike any other school, cannot and does not guarantee employment upon your graduation, we will provide you with support and assistance in securing your clinical site and an entry-level position.

PAYING FOR THE PROGRAM

It is our goal to make the program as affordable as possible. We have several payment plans available to help you meet your financial needs.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

NO DEGREE REQUIRED
HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OR GED
GENERAL SCHOOL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

<i>Estimated Program Duration</i>	
MODULE I & II Lecture and Laboratory	1000
MODULE III Clinical Externship	960
Total Program Hours	1960
Quarter Credits	112
Program Length	24 months/(92 instructional weeks)

PROGRAM COST

<i>Estimated Program Cost</i>	
Registration Fee (non-refundable)	\$100.00
Student Tuition Recovery Fund (non-refundable)	\$0.00
Processing and Technology Fee (non-refundable)	\$500.00
Tuition	\$28,300.00
Total Program Cost	\$28,900.00

