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Bachelor of Science in Diagnostic Medical Sonography - Abdominal Sonography – Extended Concentration

Program Overview

The Sonography Program, Abdomen Extended Concentration, is an 18-month (6 quarters) program providing didactic and clinical learning experience to enable students to enter the workforce as entry-level sonographers.

Graduates of the Abdominal Sonography – Extended Concentration are eligible to sit for the American Registry of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers (ARDMS) to gain their Registered Diagnostic Medical Sonographer (RDMS) in this specialty.

The Abdominal Sonography – Extended Concentration is programmatically accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP).

Sonographer Duties

Diagnostic medical sonographers use high-frequency sound waves to image organs, masses, motion of blood and heart, and fluid accumulations within the body. An ultrasound image results from the reflection of the sound waves by the body. The images/video clips are viewed on a computer screen and are recorded on various formats and are used in interpretation and diagnosis by physicians. The technology is advancing rapidly which requires sonographers to be flexible, adaptable team players who are committed lifelong learners.

Tuition

Please visit KPSAHS.edu for current tuition information.

Admissions Requirements

All admissions requirements and prerequisite course requirements must be completed prior to applying to the program.

- Verification of completion of a minimum of an AA/AS degree or higher in any discipline from a regionally accredited institution with a cumulative minimum grade point average of 3.0.
- Documented completion of a minimum of 8 hours job shadowing a General Sonographer or completion of the Job Shadowing Writing Assignment.

Successful completion of the following courses with a grade of "C" or better. Courses must be college level and a minimum of 3 semester units or 4 quarter units. KPSAHS does not accept courses taken as pass/fail, credit/no credit.

- Human Anatomy & Physiology with a lab (college level)
- College Algebra (Intermediate Algebra) or higher level mathematics
- Written Communication
- Oral Communication
- General Physics. Topics must include sound waves, heat, light, and motion.
- Medical Terminology

Note: All foreign diplomas and transcripts must include a notarized translation in English and must be evaluated by an approved NACES foreign transcript agency prior to submission.

The Kaiser Permanente School of Allied Health Sciences is accredited by the WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC).

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