



Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program

Observation/Experience Hours

Fall 2021

If applying for the Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program at NW-SCC, you may submit a minimum of 4 hours of observation/experience for additional ranking points.

How to schedule observation hours:

- 1) You are responsible for scheduling your observation hours. NW-SCC advisors, staff, and faculty will not arrange or schedule observation hours for you.
 - *Major hospitals
 - *Small, rural or community hospitals
 - *Outpatient Sonography facility or Imaging Lab
 - *Observation hours **can not** be completed at a 3D/4D entertainment or OB ultrasound facility
- 2) Call a local hospital or radiology center and ask to speak to either the student coordinator or the SUPERVISOR of the Ultrasound Department.
- 3) Identify yourself by name. Explain that you are an applicant for the DMS Program at NW-SCC and would like to schedule observation hours in the ultrasound department.
- 4) Request an appointment to observe for 4 hours
- 5) You must observe under the direct supervision of a Registered Sonographer.

During the observation hours:

- 1) Wear appropriate **professional** business attire, such as dress pants. Do not wear t-shirts, revealing clothes, tennis shoes, blue jeans, sandals, shorts, or sweat pants.
- 2) Conduct yourself professionally and courteously as if you are on a job interview.
- 3) After your observation hours are complete, ask the Sonographer to verify your attendance by signing and completing the Observation Hours & Observation Evaluation form.
- 4) Once completed, the student will submit the form directly to NW-SCC with your application. Please note, the student should make a copy of the form. The DMS Program will not return the form or copies to the student.



Student name: _____ A #: _____

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME IN</u>	<u>TIME OUT</u>	<u>TOTAL HOURS</u>

HOURS OF OBSERVATION MUST BE PERFORMED WITH AN ARDMS/RT(S) REGISTERED SONGRAPHER

Name of Facility : _____

Printed name of Sonographer: _____

Signature of Sonographer : _____