

MIDWESTERN CAREER COLLEGE

# YOUR FUTURE, YOUR MCC



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TODAY WE'RE GOING TO LEARN  
MORE ABOUT YOU.

- Your career goals
- Your interests
- Financing your education
- Your future



# ABOUT US

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## MIDWESTERN CAREER COLLEGE

- Founded in 2004
- **Our Mission:** Provide premier career-focused education to empower students with academic training, technical expertise, and professional support to launch or advance their successful careers.
- **Campuses**
  - Chicago-Main Campus
  - LaSalle-Extension of the Main Campus
  - Blue Island-Extension of the Main Campus
  - Naperville-Extension of the Main Campus
  - Skokie-Extension of the Main Campus



# ABOUT US

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## STATE APPROVAL

Midwestern Career College is approved by the Division of Private Business and Vocational Schools of the Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE). For more information on IBHE approval, you may contact Private Business and Vocational Schools Division, Illinois Board of Higher Education, at 1 N. Old State Capitol Plaza, Suite 333 Springfield, IL 62701-1377 at (217) 782-2551; General information website: [info@ibhe.org](mailto:info@ibhe.org); Institutional Complaint Hotline: (217) 557-7359

Midwestern Career College is approved by the Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE) to operate and to grant the following Associate of Applied Science degrees:

- Associate of Applied Science in Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)Technology
- Associate of Applied Science in Diagnostic Medical Sonography
- Associate of Applied Science in Non-Invasive Cardiovascular Sonography
- Associate of Applied Science in Surgical Technology
- Associate of Applied Science in Business Administration
- Associate of Applied Science in Accounting
- Associate of Applied Science in Marketing

## ACCREDITATION

Midwestern Career College is accredited by the Commission of the Council on Occupational Education. For more information about the College's accreditation, you may contact Council on Occupational Education, 7840 Roswell Road, Building 300, Suite 325, Atlanta, GA 30350, Telephone: 770-396-3898, Fax: 770-396-3790, [www.council.org](http://www.council.org)

## DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN'S AFFAIRS

*Midwestern Career College is approved by the State of Illinois Department of Veteran's Affairs*

## SEVP CERTIFICATION

*Midwestern Career College is authorized under Federal law to enroll nonimmigrant alien students.*

# DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHY



## WHAT IS DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHY?

- Uses high-frequency sound waves to produce images of organs, tissues and blood flow
- Helps diagnose patient illness

## WHERE DO SONOGRAPHERS WORK?

- Hospitals
- Diagnostic medical centers
- Mobile ultrasound
- Medical clinics
- Physician's offices

## WHO DO SONOGRAPHERS WORK WITH?

- Patients
- Radiologists
- Doctors



# DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHY



## WHAT DO DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHERS DO?

- Prepare patients
- Take medical history
- Operate equipment
- Conduct tests
- Obtain diagnostic images
- Analyze diagnostic information
- Provide summary to physicians
- Record findings

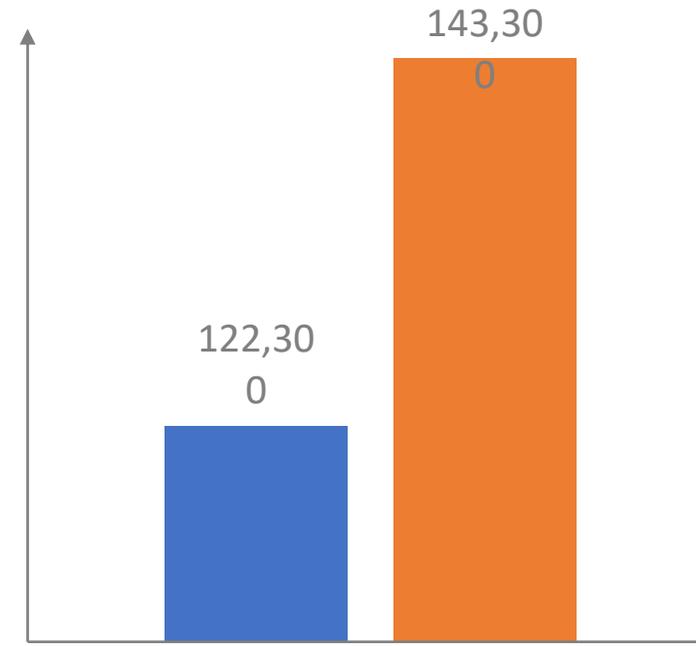


# DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHY



## CAREER OUTLOOK

- 23% job growth, 2016-2026
  - 122,300 jobs in 2016
  - 143,300 jobs in 2026
  - Faster than average for all occupations
- As Baby Boomers age, the need for scanning to diagnose conditions increases
- Good alternative to imaging techniques with radiation
- If certified, better job opportunities



Source:  
Medical  
the Internet at

Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, *Occupational Outlook Handbook*, Diagnostic Sonographers and Cardiovascular Technologists and Technicians, Including Vascular Technologists, on <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/diagnostic-medical-sonographers.htm>

# DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHY



## Program Duration

- 80 weeks, 5 terms
- 74 credit hours
- 380-hour externship

# DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHY



## Curriculum Highlights

### Core

- Medical Terminology
- Introduction to Physics
- Sonographic Physics and Instrumentation I and II
- Abdomen/Superficial Structures I, II and III
- Scanning Principles and Protocols I and II
- Scanning Principles and Protocols OB/GYN I, II and III
- Scanning Principles and Protocols for Vascular
- Vascular Ultrasound
- Patient Care, Law, and Ethics in Sonography
- Diagnostic Medical Sonography Clinicals

### General Education

- Introduction to Speech Communication
- General Education Mathematics
- Introduction to Psychology
- Introduction to Humanities

\*Curriculum is subject to change. See catalog for current course offerings.

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## Externship

- 380 hours
- Completion is required for graduation.
- Mandatory for program completion
  - 380-550 hours mandatory to complete program within 5 months
  - 800 hours mandatory to sit for the RCS exam within 8 months
  - Letter of Recommendation from Site
  - Letter of Recommendation from Program Director

# DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHY



## Industry Certifications

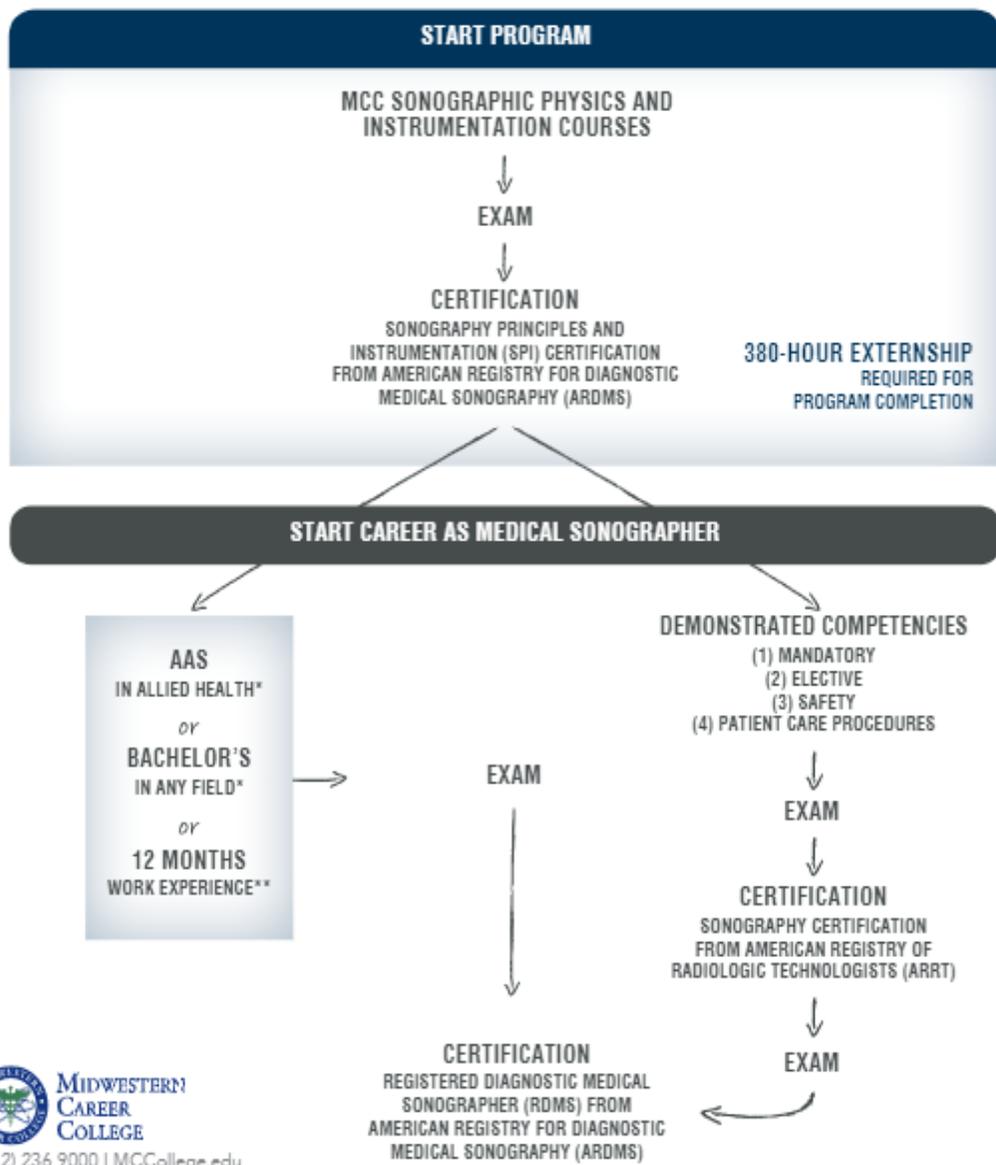
- Sonographic Principles and Instrumentation (SPI) from ARDMS
- Pathways to RDMS from ARDMS may be available
  - Requires 175 additional clinical hours
- Pathway to Sonography certification from ARRT
  
- Industry certifications are strongly preferred by employers. Recommend at least one year of work experience before taking certification exams, depending on your field of study.

*See MCC Certification Pathways diagram for more complete details.*



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# DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHY CERTIFICATION PATHWAYS



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# EXTERNSHIP

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## WHAT IS EXTERNSHIP

- Work-based, non-paid, hands-on learning activity
- Allows you to:
  - Apply knowledge and skills taught in the classroom setting in a real-world, patient-care environment
  - Build your resume
  - Become more employable
  - Grow your network
  - Have exciting experiences



# EXTERNSHIP

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## EXTERNSHIP REQUIREMENTS

- Drug screening
- Second background check (if after one year)
- Up to date with payment plan
- Current resume
- Valid CPR card
- Physical exam and immunization records:
  - TB Step 1 and TB Step 2
  - MMR results
  - Varicella
  - Hepatitis B shot series
- Valid picture identification
- Liability Insurance
- Costs associated with obtaining required documents are student responsibility
- Additional documents may be required for placement at certain sites (Tdap, drug testing, fitness test, etc.)

# EXTERNSHIP

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## EXTERNSHIP SCHEDULE

- Depends on site needs and availability
- 24+ hours per week
- Monday through Friday
- In addition to classroom hours
- ***Not available:***
  - Evenings after 6 p.m.
  - Weekends



# EXTERNSHIP

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## EXTERNSHIP CLEARANCE

To be considered for externship placement students must receive clearance from:

- Financial Aid and Business Office
  - Must be current with the payment plan (if applicable)
  - No holds on file
  - FA requirements for next term must be met
- Academic Department and Registrar's Office
  - All course prerequisites must be met
  - Minimum CGPA of +2.0
  - Required level of skills/competencies (100% accuracy in labs)
- Student Services Department
  - Student Conduct
- Externship Department
  - Completed Externship Packet

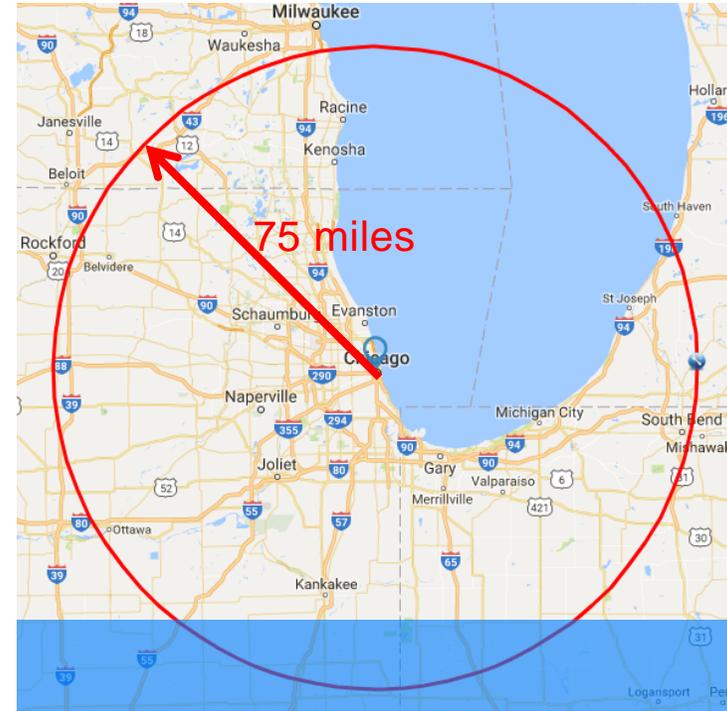


## CLINICAL TRAVEL AND PLACEMENT REQUIREMENTS

- Work minimum of 24 hours/week
- Typically unpaid
- May begin while still in school
- May be placed up to 75 miles away
- Must arrange transportation
- No choice of externship site
- Only one chance at placement
- If the site rejects you, you will not be placed again.

## MCC externship sites are in locations as far away as:

- Kankakee
- Waukegan
- Barrington
- New Lenox



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HOW DOES THIS PROGRAM ALIGN WITH YOUR CAREER GOALS?

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# PROGRAM COST AND FUNDING OPTIONS



For additional program information including Consumer Information,  
visit <https://mccollege.edu/consumer-information/>

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**Tuition and Fees**

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DO YOU KNOW HOW YOU CAN FINANCE YOUR  
EDUCATION?

[Skip to Funding and Financial Aid](#)

# FUNDING SOURCES

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- U.S. Federal Student Aid
- WIOA grants/voucher program
- Department of Veterans Affairs, G.I. Bill
- Meritize, CLIMB
- Flexible payment plans



# FINANCIAL AID

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## FAFSA: FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID

- Financial aid is available to those who qualify.
- Students in most MCC programs are eligible to apply for U.S. Federal Student Aid.
- Financial aid is a combination of loans and grants.
- Complete the FAFSA at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov).
- MCC's School Code: 041390



# ADMISSION



## Admission Requirements

- 18 years old
- High school diploma or equivalent
- Entrance exam (min. scores do not apply to MA, Dialysis Tech)
  - Arithmetic: Score of 252
  - Reading Comprehension: Score of 246
- Admission is subject to the outcome of the program director/faculty interview, when applicable.

## Admissions Process

- Interview with an admissions counselor
- Program information session
- Application form
- Nonrefundable application fee, if applicable
- Valid, government-issued photo ID
- Personal statement of 250-300 words
- Background check
- Enrollment agreement packet
- Satisfy all program-specific admissions requirements as listed in catalog.

# TRANSFER CREDIT

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## Transfer Credit

- To have credits considered for transfer, a student must have an official transcript from his or her previous institution(s) sent to MCC
- The College must receive official transcripts no later than two weeks prior to the term start date
- Unofficial transcripts and copies of official transcripts will not be accepted
- To be considered for transfer, the course must be:
  - comparable in nature, content and level of credit to an MCC course.
  - completed within ten years from the date of the request
  - awarded a grade of C or higher

# CAREER SERVICES

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- MCC is committed to providing students and graduates with the tools for a successful job search in their field of study.
- Services:
  - resume review
  - mock interviews
  - Coaching
- Open door policy
  - Available from the time you enroll
  - **Graduates:** Digital job board
  - **Current students:** Out-of-field part-time employment opportunities
  - **LinkedIn** updating
  - **Social media** review and best practices



# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS



## Graduation Requirements

- Students must meet the following minimum standards to be considered a graduate from their program of study:
  - Pass all courses mandated by the program curriculum.
  - Earn CGPA of 2.0 or above.
  - Complete Clinical Externship if applicable to the program of study.
  - Fulfill all financial obligations to the College Upon meeting graduation requirements.
- The student will be issued a Certificate of Completion and an official transcript, provided the student does not have any administrative, financial or academic holds with the College. Both documents will be mailed to the student's address on file with the College, unless prior arrangements have been made in advance by the student.

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# QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, CONCERNS

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

CONSUMER INFORMATION:

<https://mccollege.edu/consumer-information/>

MCC CATALOG:

<https://mccollege.edu/catalog>