

Academic Information

First Year Courses:

- Introduction to Diagnostic Medical Sonography
- Nursing Procedures and Methods of Patient Care
- Human Structure and Function
- Medical Terminology
- General Physics
- Sonographic Procedures I—Abdominal Part A&B
- Sonographic Procedures II—Ob/Gyn Part A&B
- Medical Ethics
- Introduction to Computers
- Introduction to Ultrasound Physics

Second Year Courses:

- Departmental Administration
- Advanced Sonographic Procedures
- Sonographic Procedures III—Vascular
- Sonographic Procedures IV—Adult Cardiac
- Imaging Modalities
- Ultrasound Physics
- Breast Ultrasound

Clinical Affiliates

The clinical education in Diagnostic Medical Sonography is divided into approximately seven rotations. Students gain practical experience in all aspects of sonography as they rotate through a variety of clinical sites. During the program students may be assigned to any of the following:

- Brookhaven Memorial Hospital
- Dr. David, Ob/Gyn
- Franklin General Medical Center
- Good Samaritan Hospital Medical Center
- Huntington Hospital
- Island Heart Associates
- J.T. Mather Memorial Hospital
- Mercy Medical Center
- Nassau Radiologic Group
- Nassau University Medical Center
- North Shore LIJ Imaging
- North Shore University Hospital
- Queens-Long Island Medical Group
- Smithtown Vascular Laboratories
- Southampton Hospital
- Southside Hospital
- St. Charles Hospital

- St. Catherine of Siena Medical Center
- St. Joseph Hospital
- Suffolk MRI
- University Hospital at Stony Brook
- Vein Care of New York
- Winthrop University Hospital
- Zwanger–Pesiri Radiology

Progression and Retention Policy

Academic: a minimum grade of 75% must be maintained in each subject.

Clinical: A student must achieve an average of 75% for each clinical rotation.

Each student will again be evaluated by means of clinical competencies. A passing grade of 75% must be achieved in all competencies. The clinical competencies will be administered after the student has completed the didactic, clinical, and laboratory experience in each subject.

Graduation Requirements

Criteria for successful completion of the program are:

- Attainment of a transcript grade of 75% or better for each area of study and 75% in each clinical area.
- An achievement of at least 75% in each of the following clinical competencies:
 - Abdomen
 - Superficial structures
 - Non-cardiac chest
 - Obstetrics
 - Non-gravid pelvis
 - Vascular
 - Echocardiography
- Satisfaction of all financial obligations.
- The maximum time frame for course completion can not exceed one and one-half times the course length (36 months).
- Fulfillment of program attendance requirements

Transfer Credit

BOCES does not accept credit(s) from other educational institutions. All BOCES programs must be successfully completed in entirety to obtain a certificate of completion.

School of Diagnostic Medical Sonography



a Western Suffolk BOCES program
located at Wilson Tech's Northport campus
152 Laurel Hill Road
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Western Suffolk BOCES has been approved as an Authorized Provider by the International Association for Continuing Education and Training (IACET), 8405 Greensboro Drive, Suite 800, McLean, VA 22102



Mission Statement

Western Suffolk BOCES provides career training and literacy programs to help adults meet their career goals by developing skills essential for gainful employment, job advancement and new career opportunities.

Western Suffolk BOCES Non-Discrimination Notice

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Accreditation

Western Suffolk BOCES is accredited by the Commission of the Council on Occupational Education. They may be contacted at www.council.org, 41 Perimeter Center East, NE, Suite 640, Atlanta, GA 30346, (800) 917-2081. The School of Diagnostic Medical Sonography at Western Suffolk BOCES is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (upon the recommendation of the Joint Review Committee on Education in Diagnostic Medical Sonography. They may be contacted at www.caahep.org; 1361 Park St., Clearwater, FL 33756; (727)210-2350)

Ultrasound

Echoes of the Future



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www.wsbores.org/fulltime

About us

The School of Diagnostic Medical Sonography is an accredited program that leads to a certificate of completion that qualifies you to sit for any of the five registry examinations in Diagnostic Medical Sonography immediately upon graduation. The full-time, 24-month program is one of several health programs offered by Western Suffolk BOCES.

Classes are held at Wilson Technological Center's Northport campus where instructors are experts in the health care field.

Enrollment is limited to 25 students per class.

We educate Diagnostic Medical Sonographers who possess the intellectual and technical ability to maintain high standards of patient care. The curriculum integrates basic sciences, medical sciences and instruction in Diagnostic Medical Sonography with supervised clinical experience in hospitals and doctors' offices from Manhattan to Southampton.

The clinical sites provide the student with unique opportunities for learning and excelling as a Diagnostic Medical Sonographer. You will rotate through specialties such as Abdominal, Breast Ultrasound, Obstetrics/Gynecology, Adult Cardiac and Vascular Sonography including color flow Doppler.

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Why choose BOCES?

- ✓ Fully accredited program
- ✓ Eligible to take registry examinations upon graduation
- ✓ Comprehensive, high-level preparation for challenging roles in five major ultrasound specialties:
 - Abdominal Sonography
 - Breast Ultrasound
 - OB/GYN
 - Echocardiography
 - Vascular Sonography
- ✓ Experienced faculty with diversified educational and clinical backgrounds
- ✓ Financial Aid counselor available
- ✓ Student assistance and counseling available at BOCES' Career Center
- ✓ Graduates successfully attain sonography positions in hospitals, private offices, and with ultrasound manufacturers
- ✓ Opportunities to pursue higher education through an affiliation with Dowling College

Program hours

Classes begin each year in July and take 24 months to complete. Provisions are made for legal holidays and vacation periods.

Mon.–Fri., 8 AM–4 PM

How do I apply?

Admission Prerequisites

These must be credit bearing college level courses.

- General Physics
- Anatomy & Physiology I & II
- Algebra or Statistics
- English

Candidates must achieve a grade of C or higher in each prerequisite above in order to qualify for acceptance. Non-credit courses do not apply.

Application Process

Applications are accepted throughout the year, but classes begin in July.

Take the Pre-Entrance Examination (Test of Essential Academic Skills). Pre-Entrance Examinations are scheduled October to March of each year and are administered in BOCES at Wilson Tech's Northport campus.

Successfully passing the Pre-Entrance Exam (TEAS) entitles you to continue with the application process but does not guarantee acceptance into the program. After you are admitted into the school, we will notify you of the date of registration.

Admission Requirements

The School of Diagnostic Medical Sonography reserves the right to deny admission based upon failure to complete admission requirements.

1. Satisfactory achievement on the Pre-Entrance Exam (Test of Essential Academic Skills). To receive an invitation to apply, candidates must achieve above the 50th percentile in reading, math, English and science on the TEAS. If you have a current IEP and are requesting testing modifications, call 631/261-3721.
2. Completed application form for the Pre-Entrance Exam (TEAS) including a non-refundable application fee of \$125 that must be paid with a money order payable to Western Suffolk BOCES.
3. Candidates must be a minimum of 17 years of age.
4. Official transcript indicating high school diploma or equivalency
5. Official college transcript
6. Three references from non-family members. Two must be work references; one must be a character reference.
7. Good physical and mental health.
8. Personal interview

Financial information

Installment payment plan and financial aid are available for those who qualify.

Tuition: \$36,999 (subject to change July 1)

Additional Costs: \$3,100 (approx.)

Student Consumer Information

To help prospective students make an informed choice about the BOCES program in Diagnostic Medical Sonography, details about graduation rates and more are available at www.wsboces.org/consumer.

Federal Student Aid (FSA)

Don't let finances limit your dreams! Financial aid is available to those who qualify. Eligibility is determined by submitting a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to the U.S. Department of Education. Complete application online at www.fafsa.ed.gov, on paper or by appointment with our Financial Aid Office.

Tuition not covered by Financial Aid is the student's responsibility; a payment plan will be established. The Financial Aid Office can help you with Alternative loans available to those who qualify for tuition balances not covered by Federal Financial Aid Funds. BOCES also accepts VISA and Mastercard. BOCES is approved by the VA and ACCESS-VR. Call the Financial Aid Office at 631-261-3600, x214 to discuss financing options.

Note: Students must maintain satisfactory progress to remain eligible for Financial Aid. Initial deposit, due at time of registration, is not covered by Federal Student Aid funds.

Faculty

The instructional staff includes medical, sonographic, nursing and academic faculty.

Dr. Mark Williams, MD, *Medical Director*

John Thomas, MS, RDMS, RDMS, RVT, RT

Kerri Clements, RDMS

Jessica Norton, RDMS, RVT

Michele Conza, RDMS, RDMS

Valerie Prentiss, RDMS, RDMS, RVT

Sallie-Jo Grabau, RMDS, RDMS, RVT

Michael Bonvento, MS, ABR

Betsy Mathew, BS, RDMS, RVT

Barbara Winters, RN, AAS