

Qualification Policy for Diagnostic Medical Sonography 2025-2026

Diagnostic Medical Sonography has specific classes, grades, and GPA requirement which a student must meet to apply for the clinical phase of the program. **Demand for the Diagnostic Medical Sonography program is extremely high. It is not unusual for students to not be offered a seat in the clinical phase for one to two years after completing the qualifying courses.**

- All qualifying Math & Science courses must be met in two attempts. Any transfer courses equivalent to the FSU requirement is counted as an attempt.
- Unsuccessful attempts include not meeting the grade requirement listed below, receiving a “W” (withdrawal), or a grade of “I” (incomplete) not converted to the required grade or higher by the end of the next semester.
- Prerequisite courses are not tied to the grade or attempt requirement. (*Example: MATH 110 prior to MATH 115*)
- Qualified students must apply **each February** (during the 15-day window) to be considered as an applicant for the program. If not accepted to the program, you must apply each year. All qualifying courses, listed below must be completed by the end of the Fall semester prior to applying for the program
- Placement into the clinical portion of the program is based on the following:
 1. Qualification semester (Semester successful completion of the qualifiers - listed below).
 2. Number of passed Ferris credits
 3. Overall (GPA)

****Students who complete their qualifying classes the earliest will get a seat ****
- A student’s qualification semester cannot be earlier than when they declared Diagnostic Medical Sonography as their intended major at Ferris State University.
 - *Example 1: Student transfers in all qualifying classes with the last one completed in Spring 2025. Student applies to Ferris State University for Diagnostic Medical Sonography to start in Fall 2025. The qualification date would be Fall 2025.*
 - *Example 2: Student is a Nursing major and changes their major to Diagnostic Medical Sonography in November 2024. The student completed qualifiers in Spring 2025. The qualification date is Spring 2025 for DMS.*

DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHY POLICY:

- The following qualifiers must be met for the student to apply to the program:
 - MATH 115- Intermediate Algebra, must be completed with a B- or higher
 - BIOL 109 - Anatomy & Physiology, must be completed with a B- or higher
 - PHYS 130 – Concepts in Physics, must be completed with a B- or higher
 - COHP 100 – Medical Vocabulary, must be completed with a C or higher
 - ENGL 150 must earn a letter grade of a C- or higher
 - DMS applicants must meet the requirements by the end of Fall semester to be considered qualified for clinical application.

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Application Cycle is only once a year for the upcoming academic year. Students must apply in the application window begins the first Monday in **February** and is open for 15 days. To maintain their qualification semester, a student must maintain the GPA requirement. If not accepted, students must reapply to FSU and the program the following year for consideration. We do not maintain a waitlist. Students must qualify and apply yearly for consideration.

Once a student is accepted in the clinical program, they will have a new set of standards set for the clinical classes.

(Print Name)

(Student Signature)

(Date)