

ADMISSIONS POLICY for Medical Sonography

Applicants are admitted under provision of the admission policies of Johnston Community College and the Associate Degree Sonography Program as specified in the Johnston Community College Catalog. Applicants are selected on the basis of their achievement potential through the use of previous academic records and pre-entrance nomination scores and based on the number of available seats in the program.

Day Program Option	Begins Fall each year	Deadline March 1st of admitting year
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In order for a applicant to be considered for admission to the Sonography Program, the applicant must complete phase I and II below. Phase III is completed by us and only accepted will complete phase IV.

PHASE I: Application and Admission Process

- Submit a completed [application](#) to Johnston Community College
- [Official transcripts](#) from high school and all colleges sent to the College
- Have graduated or will graduate from high school or the equivalent, as recognized by the State of North Carolina, before entering the Associate Degree Sonography Program
- Complete the College placement test if required. Applicants may be exempt from placement testing if completed the SAT and achieved a score of **450** on each section, or ACT score of **19** on reading, math, and English, or transfer credit from another College.
 - Have attained a minimum grade of "C" in two science courses (biology or advanced biology or chemistry and physics, or the equivalent).
 - BIO 110 or CHM 131 (Biology and Chemistry maybe at either the High School or College Level.
 - General Physics must be at the College level. (Physics is required as one of the two sciences for application to the program)
- Have earned a minimum grade of "C" on one course in algebra.
- Complete a college level General Physics course with a minimum grade of "C" by March 1st of the admitting year.

- Place into ENG 111 and MAT 080 by College placement test, SAT, or ACT scores or transfer credit in math and English
- Be [CNA-I certified](#) by **March 1st** of the admitting year.
- Applicants with a Bachelor or AAS in Nursing or an *Allied Health related patient care field do not have to complete the CNA I certification.
*Radiology, Nursing, Respiratory Therapy, Paramedic, and Sonography.

Applicants must have successfully completed a North Carolina approved Certified Nurse Aide I Program and be currently listed on the Nurse Aide I Registry with no substantiated findings of resident abuse, resident neglect or misappropriation of resident property in a Nursing Facility. The Certified Nurse Aide I Training Program must include theory, lab, and clinical components. The applicant must provide a copy of the certificate of completion from an approved program.

**Challenging the Nurse Aide I examination will not meet this requirement.*

- Attend a mandatory program information session on-line at www.johnstoncc.edu OR on campus
- Be interviewed by an Admissions Counselor after completing the college placement test and after **all** official transcripts have been received by the College

(Applicants must complete all of Phase I to advance to Phase II)

PHASE II: Program Application and Health Occupations Test

- Submit a program specific application (can only be received by attending/viewing the information session in Phase I) Program specific applications are available beginning September 1 of the prior admitting year. Applications must be submitted to the Admissions Office with the following items listed:
 - Copy of counselor interview summary
 - Copy of CNA program certificate
 - Copy of e-mail verification if completed on-line information session

Incomplete application packets cannot be processed.
- Complete the [Health Occupations Test \(TEAS\)](#). The testing fee is \$35.00. Applicants are allowed to test **once** per academic year. Applicants should allow three hours to complete this computer-based test. The TEAS cannot be taken until PHASE I is completed and the program specific application and materials have been received in the Admissions Office.

Study materials may be purchased in the College Bookstore or on line at www.atitesting.com. Please visit our web-site at www.johnstoncc.edu/teas.aspx for additional information. Applicants must complete the TEAS at JCC. The College does not accept transfer scores from other colleges or ATI.

TEAS TESTING DOMAIN	NUMBER OF ITEMS	ADMINISTRATION
Reading	48	58 minutes
Mathematics	34	51 minutes
Science	54	66 minutes
English language (usage)	34	34 minutes

PHASE III: Ranking and Notification of Admission Status

- All applicants will be ranked according to the highest to the lowest points. The number of applicants accepted to the program depends upon availability of seats. In the case where two or more applicants have the same number of points, GPA will determine point ranking. Only courses that have been completed, with a grade assigned, by the deadline will be used in the point ranking process.
- **Additional points will be given on the point ranking for applicants who have completed a medical terminology curriculum course or a high school health occupations course with a grade of "C" or better.**

A copy of the [point ranking sheet](#) is available online under the appropriate sonography program web page.

- Notification will be sent to those who completed the ranking review in **late May**
 - Provisional accepted – see Phase IV
 - Standby list
 - Not accepted at this time
- Applicants not accepted and desiring to be considered for next year must complete the information session, submit the program specific application, and may elect to complete the Health Occupations Test.

PHASE IV - Acceptance

- Students accepted to the Associate Degree Sonography Program must:
 - Return acceptance to the Admission Office within five (5) business days

- Attend a mandatory program orientation on the designated dates
- Show satisfactory completion of physical and emotional health by the student's primary care provider. (College approved forms will be mailed with the acceptance letters).
- Show evidence of current Healthcare Provider CPR certification
- *Show satisfactory completion of a criminal background check and initial drug screening through the designated service provider (forms will be distributed)

*Students admitted to the Associate Degree Sonography Program at Johnston Community College will submit to criminal background checks and drug screening upon admission to the program and random drug screening as directed by affiliating agencies. Information obtained from the criminal background check could jeopardize the student's ability to participate in clinical experiences and would result in the inability of the student to complete the program.

Students will incur the costs of the drug screening and criminal background.

The application for the professional certification examination(s) contains questions as to whether or not the applicant has ever been convicted of a misdemeanor/felony excluding minor traffic violations. If the answer is "yes" the applicant is asked to provide an explanation. This question is asked because of the legal requirements for becoming certified as a diagnostic registered medical sonographer.

The College reserves the right to change any restrictions or program requirements at any time. Johnston Community College will make every effort to lessen the inconvenience of any changes created for the student.