

OZARKS TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Diagnostic Medical Sonography (SON)

Application Checklist

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APPLICATION DEADLINE:

- June 15 - Classes begin in the fall

¹*The Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program is a selective admission program, and admission is determined by a points-based system. To see how points are determined, refer to the [Candidate Selection Form](#). A 2.75 GPA is required to be eligible for this program. An incomplete file will not be considered. Complete the following by the application deadline:*

- Complete the [OTC admissions process](#).
- Preadmission courses must be completed or in progress by the application deadline.
 - In order to guarantee all points for admission into the program, students must be finished with all pre-requisite courses prior to the admission deadline.
 - If a student still has remaining pre-requisite courses to finish in the summer, he/she is still eligible to apply for the Program. However, he/she will receive a score of zero for any classes not started or completed by the application deadline. This will affect the student's ranking in the admission process.
- Student must email healthsciences@otc.edu if:
 - a passing grade of "C" or better is not achieved after two attempts in any program preadmission requirement, **OR**
 - your anatomy and physiology sequence will be more than 5 years old at the time of your application deadline (June 15).
- **Official transcripts from accredited schools attended other than OTC must be received by OTC Admissions before the application deadline (preferably 4-6 weeks prior to allow time for review).**
- Submit a Diagnostic Medical Sonography application using the online application portal apply.otc.edu by the application deadline (preferably 4 weeks prior to the deadline).
- Complete a minimum of 24 hours of job shadowing **prior to applying for the program**. For more information about shadowing, access the [Job Shadowing Form](#), which should be uploaded during the online application process **by the application deadline**.
- Complete TOEFL testing if English is not student's native language and upload results during the online application process **by the application deadline**.

ENGLISH PROFICIENCY REQUIREMENT:

Students whose first language is not English must document their English language proficiency. This requires:

- Minimum TOEFL iBT passing score of 81, with a minimum speaking score of 24. **Program will waive TOEFL requirement if the student has already obtained a bachelor's degree from a US regionally accredited University**
- Student must satisfy this requirement by submitting a current TOEFL iBT score (Test of English as a Foreign Language) during the online application process **by the application deadline**.
- Testing is completed through the [TOEFL](#) website.
- The TOEFL report scores are valid for 5 years from the test date.
- This is separate from the test taken to be admitted to OTC.

¹SELECTION FOR INTERVIEW PROCESS:

Using the [Candidate Selection Form](#), top-scoring applicants will receive an interview.

- All preadmission courses must be completed by the end of OTC's Summer Semester.
- A total GPA of 2.75 and higher, as well as a grade of C or higher in all pre-requisite coursework is required to be considered a viable candidate.

INTERVIEW PROCESS:

- A message regarding the date, time, and location of the interview will be sent to your OTC email if you are selected.
- The interview is approximately 30 minutes in length.

NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE:

- Based upon the program's admission scoring system, the 20 applicants with the highest score will be offered a position in the program and will receive information on the necessary steps to complete the program admissions.
- Information regarding acceptance or non-acceptance into the program will be delivered to students via the online application portal.
- The accepted students will receive an acceptance packet task list through their OTC email account to complete the admission process.

REAPPLICATION:

- ✓ Applicants not selected for admission can reapply online for the next deadline.
- ✓ Contact the Health Sciences Office with any questions at (417) 447-8803 or healthsciences@otc.edu.

OTC cannot guarantee that students classified under the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program will receive approval to take the licensure exam after program completion. Please contact the state or national agency that administers the professional licensure exam to inquire about licensure exam requirements.

Background Check – Students with a felony or a significant criminal history may not be able to participate in clinical experiences at some of our sites and may not be able to apply for a license to practice. Contact the Health Sciences Office for additional information (healthsciences@otc.edu).