Medical Laboratory Science Program FAQs



What is the average GPA of students accepted into the program?

3.1 Overall and 3.1 Science

What is the program like?

The didactic phase of the program is delivered at an accelerated pace. During the didactic portion (first 4 months), students have 6 hours of lecture on campus each day. Two subjects are taught concurrently. Two to four exams are taken each week. Students spend 35 to 45 hours a week studying.

When do you begin accepting applications for the upcoming year?

September of each year.

When are decisions usually made regarding whether a student is accepted into the program?

April

I read that only sixteen students were admitted into the program each year. How many students on average apply to this program?

30 - 60

What type of statistics course is needed?

An introductory statistics or biostatistics course is acceptable.

Can I apply if I am still taking prerequisite courses?

Yes, you may complete course work during the application process if all course work Is completed by May 31 of the enrollment year.

Are enrolled students eligible for student loans?

Our program does not qualify for students to receive Federally funded student loans; nor do our students qualify to defer their student loans based on "in-school" deferment.

What documentation is needed to demonstrate Immunology was a part of the microbiology course I took?

While a full course in Immunology is highly recommended, Immunology as part of a Microbiology course is acceptable. You must provide evidence of the Immunology topics by submitting a course description, course syllabus, or letter from the professor.

Are both Human Anatomy and Physiology required as separate courses?

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No. It is acceptable to have completed Human Anatomy and Physiology as one course.

Can calculus be substituted for statistics?

No. Either Statistics or biostatistics must be completed.

Are there any scholarships available?

Check out our website under the "Program Information."

I have a BS degree and have been working as a scientist for many years, but I am not certified. How can I become certified without having to go through this program and retaking courses I've already taken?

You can check the http://www.ascp.org/ website for routes to eligibility. We do not offer any part-time enrollment, nor do we offer internships for laboratory clinical testing.

What is the recommendation about working and doing the program?

Our program is a very intense 11-month program. It would be very difficult to work and attend the didactic classes. The daily class attendance is mandatory. During the clinical portion that starts in January, some students have had small part-time evening work.

I am a certified MLT. Are the requirements the same for me?

Yes

I currently work as a medical assistant, work in a laboratory, or have master's or PhD. Do I still have to meet all the requirements?

Yes

I have been out of school for more than seven years but have a chemistry (or microbiology) degree. Do I still have to meet the seven-year requirement?

Yes

If I have a foreign BS degree but have my master's from the U.S., do I still have to take the TOEFL?

Yes

If English is not my first language but my degree is from the U.S., do I have to take the TOEFL?

Yes