**DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHER**

Diagnostic Medical Sonographers use specialized equipment to generate images used for assessing and diagnosing various medical conditions, by using non-ionizing ultrasound to produce 2D and 3D images of the body.

**CAREER DESCRIPTION***

- Typical salary: $63,170 (NE); $65,620 (National)
- Projected career growth: 15.9% (NE); 17% (National)
- Most work in hospitals, physician’s offices and diagnostic laboratories.

**TYPICAL EDUCATION** **

- Years of school (including undergraduate): 5 years
- Approximate cost (DMS only): Pending 2019-2020 Tuition
- Average entering GPA: 3.0
- Must have graduated from a Radiography program
- Typical entry level education: Associate’s/Bachelor’s

**NEARBY SCHOOLS**

- UNMC
- Nebraska Methodist
- University of Colorado- Denver
- Harper College- Palatine, IL
- Mayo Clinic- Rochester, MN

**TIPS FOR SUCCESS**

- Maintain a competitive academic record
- Obtain health care experience, preferably CNA
- Must be licensed
- Shadow professionals in the field

**WHAT PRACTICING PROFESSIONALS SAY**

- "UNMC has a good reputation. The 12-month program is appealing and fully prepares us to enter the workforce because we see wide ranges of studies with ability for hands on learning.”
  -UNMC Sonography Graduate

- "Being a DMS is such a reward. As a DMS tech, I am essentially extra eyes for doctors in that we use diagnostic imaging technology to help give us detailed images of what’s going on inside our patients. It’s different every day and definitely keeps me interested on a day to day basis.”
  -Andrea Gullin, DMS, Florida

The University of Nebraska does not discriminate based on race, color, ethnicity, national origin, sex, pregnancy, sexual orientation, gender identity, religion, disability, age, genetic information, veteran status, marital status, and/or political affiliation in its programs, activities, or employment. Last update: 11.1.19