



**Diagnostic Medical Sonography**

# Vascular Information Session

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# DMS Application Process

**Now accepting Applications for Fall 2025!**

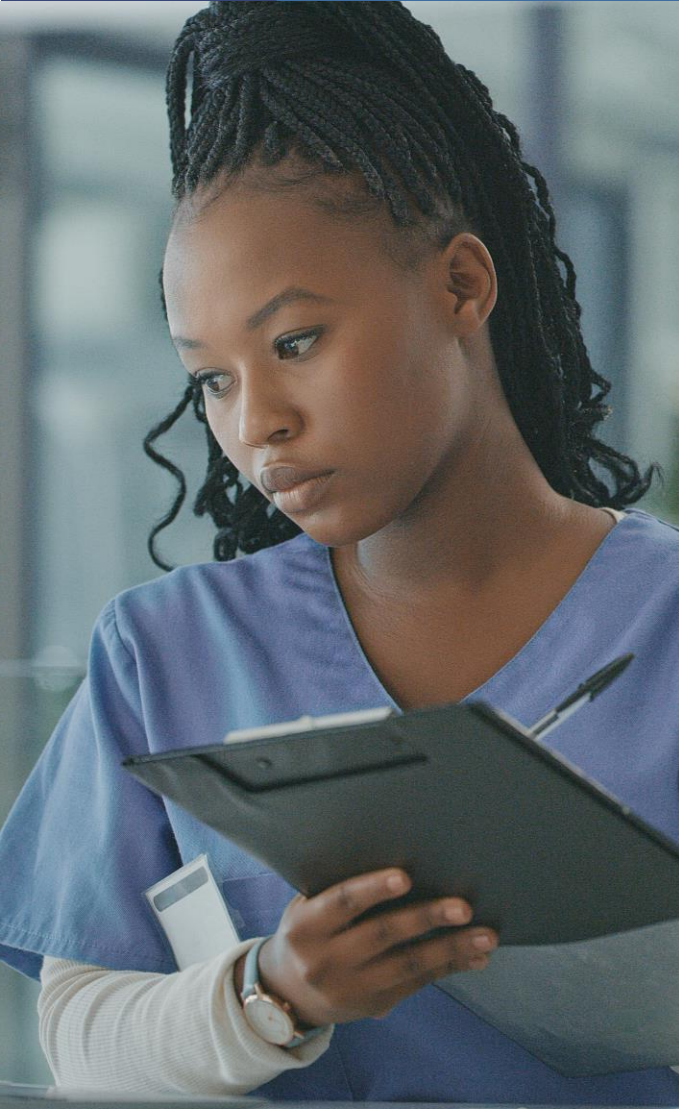
**Application Deadlines: March 15th**





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# DMS Application Process



## Program Requirements:

- ❑ Graduate of an accredited program in Diagnostic Medical Sonography
- ❑ Currently registered by the American Registry of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers (ARDMS) and holds the Registered Diagnostic Medical Sonographer credential (RDMS)
- ❑ Must have successfully passed the Sonography Principles and Instrumentation examination (SPI) for current admission
- ❑ Students must place in college level reading, writing and math by coursework or placement scores at Triton College



## Application Process:

- I. Attend an Information Session
- II. Complete the Triton College Application: Triton College Application
- III. Complete the Health Careers Application for Vascular Technology in Sonography: Health Careers Application
- IV. Send Transcripts (High School & College)
- V. Take placement exam, if warranted
- VI. Provide selective admission documentation:
  - A. Proof of successful completion of the SPI examination
  - B. Copy of ARDMS card
  - C. Employment verification letter on letterhead from employer when warranted
- VII. Application Admissions Committee Review

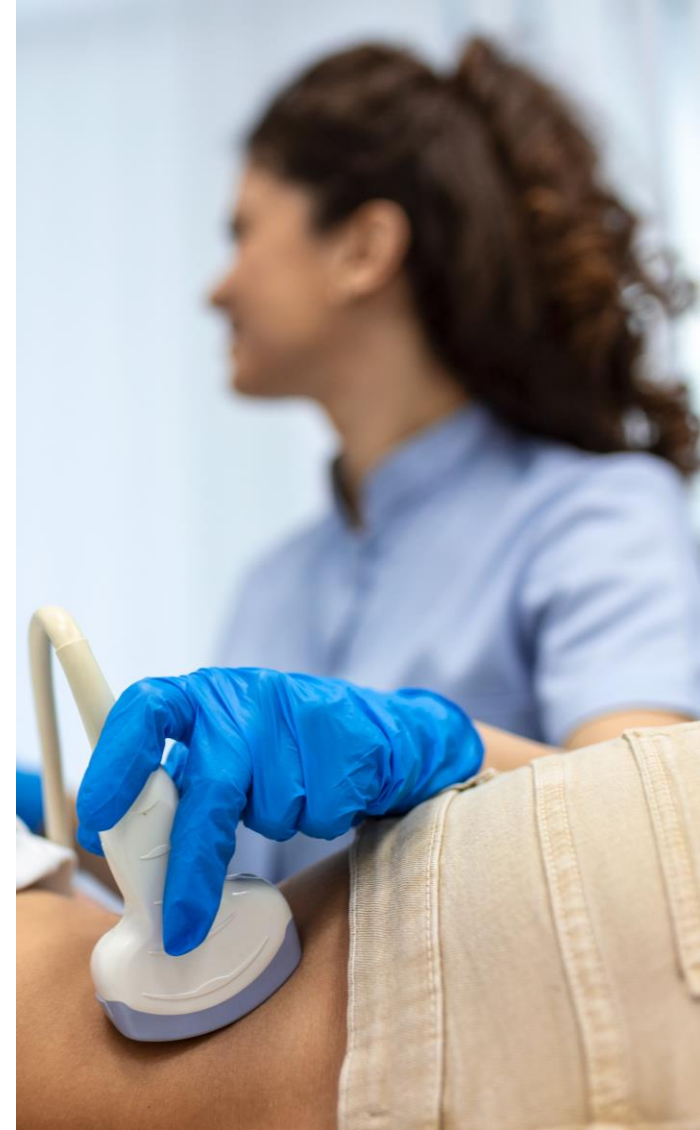




## Frequently Asked Questions:

- ❑ How many students are accepted each year: 10-12 students
- ❑ What is the Curriculum: Vascular Curriculum

SEMESTER ONE: FALL		
Course	Category	Credits
First 7 weeks		
DMS 253 Cerebrovascular Imaging in Sonography	Core Course	3
DMS 254 Abdominal Vascular Imaging in Sonography	Core Course	3
Second 7 weeks		
DMS 250 # Peripheral Venous Imaging in Sonography	Core Course	3
DMS 252 # Peripheral Arterial Imaging in Sonography	Core Course	3
	<b>Total Semester Credits:</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>NEXT STEPS</b>	Meet with your <b>Academic Advisor</b> to create an academic plan. Explore stackable certificate(s)/degree(s)	





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SEMESTER TWO: SPRING		
Course	Category	Credits
DMS 251 # Clinical Applications in Vascular Sonography	Core Course	1
DMS 255 # Specialized Vascular Imaging in Sonography	Core Course	3
	<b>Total Semester Credits:</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>NEXT STEPS</b>	Meet with your <b>Academic Advisor</b> to finalize your academic plan for graduation and register for stackable certificate/degree (option). Submit graduation petition by deadline (check for the specific date in catalog or syllabus.)	



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## Frequently Asked Questions:

- ❑ What is the program commitment:
  - 2 semester fast paced program
  - Fall semester is packed with material and content and requires a considerable time commitment and study time for success
  - Spring requires less time on campus but does require 150 clinical hours to be completed\*
- ❑ When are classes offered: Online lecture and labs in the evenings/Saturday
- ❑ Is the ARDMS RVT board required for program completion: No
- ❑ What are the application deadlines:
  - March 15th
  - June 15th (for current DMS students ONLY)

\* PLA (Prior Learning Assessment) - clinical hours can be obtained via employer on the job training, if vascular in nature.

Signed verification of vascular clinical hours needs to be sent via email from your employer (Radiologist or Lead Tech).





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## Vascular Requirements:

After transcripts evaluation and verification, your application will move forward to the selective admission process. At this time, you will need to provide documentation that you currently hold the RDMS credential and have taken the SPI examination. Once all documentation has been received, your application will be put into the pool of eligible applicants. Eligible applicants will be considered on a point scale. This scale will be as follows.

**More than one specialty credential: +1pt**

**Triton DMS Alumni: +1pt**

Additional Point Criteria requiring further documentation:

**Currently Working as a Diagnostic Medical Sonographer for 1-5yrs\*: +1pt**

**Currently Working as a Diagnostic Medical Sonographer for 6 or more yrs.\*: +2pts**

**Currently performing vascular examinations\*: +1pt**

**ARDMS & RDMS card (Y/N)**

**Proof of SPI exam (Y/N)**

\*Employment verification letters will need to be submitted from the applicant explaining current position and duties performed to receive this credit. This documentation is to be sent on employer letterhead directly via email to [christophacox@triton.edu](mailto:christophacox@triton.edu).





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## Steps for Applying:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Complete Triton College application
- \_\_\_\_\_ Complete the Selective Admission application for Health Careers
- \_\_\_\_\_ Completion of placement testing or waiver
- \_\_\_\_\_ Forward all official transcripts to Triton College Records Department
- \_\_\_\_\_ Provide selective admission documentation

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## What does the program cost?

- ❑ Tuition per credit hour
- ❑ For example:
  - In-district -  $\$265/\text{credit hour} * 16 \text{ hours} = \$4,240$
  - Out-of-district -  $\$478/\text{credit hour} * 16 \text{ hours} = \$7,648$
  - Out-of-state -  $\$563/\text{credit hour} * 16 \text{ hours} = \$9,008$
- ❑ Review Admissions:  
<https://www.triton.edu/admissions-aid/admissions/>
- ❑ Check current rates online
  - Please refer to college catalog schedule for specifics, subject to change.





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## In-District Towns:

Bellwood

Berkeley

Broadview

Brookfield\*

Elmwood Park

Forest Park

Franklin Park

Harwood Heights\*

Hillside

Hines

LaGrange Park\*

Maywood

Melrose Park

Norridge\*

Northlake

North Riverside

Norwood Park\*

Oak Park

River Forest

River Grove

Riverside

Rosemont\*

Schiller Park

Stone Park

Westchester

\*Only portions of these communities are located in district.



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# Thank you for your time!

## Questions?

Email any questions you have to: [heatheramwoza@triton.edu](mailto:heatheramwoza@triton.edu)

This power point is available on the Diagnostic Medical Sonography page at: [triton.edu/vascular](http://triton.edu/vascular)

