

**The Johns Hopkins Hospital
Schools of Medical Imaging**

**Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program
FAQs**

- **Is the program accredited?**
 - Yes, the Johns Hopkins Schools of Medical Imaging Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (www.caahep.org) upon the recommendation of the Joint Review Committee on Education in Diagnostic Medical Sonography. The Diagnostic Medical Sonography program is currently accredited by Maryland Higher Education.
- **What do you earn upon graduating from the program?**
 - Graduates directly enrolled in the Johns Hopkins Schools of Medical Imaging Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program earn a **Certificate in Diagnostic Medical Sonography** upon graduating the program
 - Graduates enrolled at one of the program's university affiliates earn a **Bachelor of Science** from that institution, in addition to a **Certificate in Diagnostic Medical Sonography** upon graduating the program
- **Does earning a certificate as opposed to a degree impact job opportunities?**
 - In short, no. In the context of working as a registered diagnostic medical sonographer, an Associate Degree and Certificate in Diagnostic Medical Sonography from an accredited sonography program absolutely meets the requirements for the role of a clinical sonographer.
 - Job opportunities beyond the role of a clinical sonographer, such as leadership positions or other administrative roles, may require a Bachelor's Degree.
- **What specialties of sonography are included in the curriculum?**
 - The Johns Hopkins Schools of Medical Imaging Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program is accredited in **Abdomen-Extended** and **OB/GYN** sonography.
 - **Abdomen-Extended**
 - This specialty refers to abdominal sonography, with the "extended" portion referring to exposure to vascular sonography, as well as specialties such as pediatric and breast sonography.
 - **OB/GYN**
 - This specialty refers to gynecologic and obstetric sonography
 - The Johns Hopkins Hospital School of Cardiac Sonography is separate from the Johns Hopkins Schools of Medical Imaging Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program
 - If interested in applying to the Echocardiography Program, please contactjhhechoprogram@jh.edu
- **What is the cost of tuition?**

- The cost of tuition for the DMS program is **\$17,500.00**, due in four installments of \$4,375.00 throughout the duration of the 18-month program.
- Additional fees within the program include:
 - Application Fee.....\$40.00
 - Background Check.....\$51.50 (only for accepted students)
 - Tuition..... \$17,500.00
 - CPR Certification.....\$40.00
 - Technology Fee.....\$150.00n)
 - Lab Fee..... \$150.00 per semester
 - Uniforms..... Approximately \$300.00
 - Books..... Approximately \$700.00
 - Board Examinations.....\$800.00
- **Do you accept financial aid?**
 - As a hospital-based institution, the Johns Hopkins Schools of Medical Imaging is **unable to accept federal** financial aid **Excluding university affiliate students*
 - Any independent scholarships a student may be awarded are accepted, and we encourage students to look for such opportunities
 - Students typically secure funding for the program via Sallie Mae or private loans
- **What is a university affiliate?**
 - A **university affiliate** is a college or university in partnership with the Johns Hopkins Schools of Medical Imaging. Students enrolled in one of these institutions can apply to our sonography program, and upon completion, the credits earned will contribute toward a Bachelor of Science degree from that university.
 - **University Affiliates of the Johns Hopkins Schools of Medical Imaging Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program:**
 - Bloomsburg University
 - Immaculata University
 - Notre Dame of Maryland University
 - York College of Pennsylvania
 - Millersville University
- **How long is the program?**
 - The program is **full-time and 18-months long**, beginning in June and concluding in December of the following year.
- **What are the hours of the program?**
 - Typical hours of the program are **Monday-Friday, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm**.
- **What is the structure of the program?**
 - For the first year of the program, students attend clinical rotations Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays, and have lecture/Scan Lab on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.
 - Once the new class begins, students become seniors and attend clinical rotations Monday-Thursday, and have lecture/Scan Lab on Friday.
- **Where does instruction take place?**
 - Lectures occur at the Johns Hopkins Schools of Medical Imaging, located in the historic Candler Building on the inner Baltimore Harbor.

- Our Scan Lab is located within The Johns Hopkins Hospital.
- **What are your program outcomes?**
 - We are very proud of our program outcomes, with **100% job-placement**, and **highly competitive board examination pass rates**. This data is available on our website.
- **Where do clinical rotations take place, and how long are they?**
 - Clinical rotations take place throughout the Johns Hopkins Medicine network, as well as other highly regarded institutions throughout the Baltimore-Washington region.
 - Specialties we are proud to offer our students clinical experience in include:
 - Inpatient and outpatient general/abdominal sonography
 - Pediatric sonography
 - High-risk maternal-fetal medicine
 - Breast sonography
 - Students rotate between clinical sites every three weeks
- **Are there any opportunities for tuition reimbursement if employed at Johns Hopkins following graduation?**
 - **Yes!** While a position must be available, and graduates must complete the traditional application process resulting in an offer, **graduates of the Johns Hopkins Schools of Medical Imaging that accept positions within The Johns Hopkins Hospital or a Johns Hopkins Imaging Site are eligible for up to \$10,000 in tuition reimbursement after two years of employment.**
 - This is in addition to any sign-on bonus offered at the time.
- **Where do students typically live?**
 - The faculty connects incoming students as early as April should students look to house together
 - While there is no official student housing, there are various Hopkins-affiliated housing options in the area which can be viewed at the following link:
 - <https://gradimmunology.med.som.jhmi.edu/housing/>