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A Newsletter for the ARDMS Educator Community



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Sonography Program Spotlight:

Keiser University Fort Lauderdale Campus, Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program



The Keiser University Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program at the Fort Lauderdale campus is a 20-month program that offers curriculum in the abdomen- extended, OB/GYN, and vascular concentrations. The program received its initial accreditation as a general program in 2001 and as a Vascular Program in 2009. The Fort Lauderdale DMS Program has been a leading contributor in the South Florida community for more than 20 years with countless graduates staffing local area hospitals, diagnostic centers, physician offices, and beyond.

ARDMS: What sets your program apart from other programs in your community?

KU-FTL: The Keiser University Fort Lauderdale campus was initially accredited in the abdomen and OB/GYN concentrations. Upon community needs, the vascular program was incorporated to the general one creating a track 2 curriculum that prepares our graduate for the diverse sonography modalities in need in our region. Committed to a “students first” philosophy, Keiser University’s well versed and veteran DMS faculty prepare our graduates for careers in sonography by focusing on an exceptional educational experience through small class size, one course at a time, hands-on opportunities in our school laboratory, take home simulators, and the 8-month clinical rotation component with early exposure to the clinical setting...



Does your Sonography program have deep ties in your community? Is your program leading the way in innovation for education through COVID and beyond? Do you want your program to get the recognition it deserves? If you said "YES" to any of these questions, fill out and submit [this form](#) to EducatorResources@Inteleos.org!

ARDMS Examinations Available Online!



You can take the SPI, AB, FE, PS, PE, MSKS, MW, and OB/GYN examinations online! [Read more](#) to determine if this is the right option for you!

Questions Surrounding Compliance?

The Compliance Department is responsible for performing administrative investigations of the [ARDMS Compliance Policies](#) violations. If you suspect a compliance violation has been committed, have questions about how to report, or would like more information surrounding the Compliance Review Process, please review the following videos within the Compliance tab:

<https://www.ardms.org/discover-ardms/compliance/>



Certification Corner

When Should Students Apply for the Sonography Principles and Instrumentation (SPI) Examination?

When a student who has passed a college-level general, medical, or sonographic physics class, or has completed a physics seminar/course they may apply for the Sonography Principles and Instrumentation (SPI) examination under the SPI Requirement.

When students apply for the SPI examination under the SPI Requirement, they must submit the following documents:

- An official or unofficial transcript (see transcript requirements below) reflecting successful completion of a graded general, medical, or sonographic college, post-secondary, or higher education physics class (with a grade of C or above).

OR

- A CME certificate denoting successful completion of a general, medical, or sonographic physics seminar, physics review course, or physics correspondence course, denoting a minimum award of 12 ARDMS-accepted CME credits. The certificate must meet ARDMS CME documentation requirements (visit ARDMS.org/CME to view ARDMS-accepted CMEs). The CME credits must be earned within two (2) years prior to application submission.

AND

- A copy of an unexpired government-issued photo identification (ID) with signature; the first and last names on the ID must exactly match the first and last names in your ARDMS/APCA record.

Transcript Requirements:

- Name of Applicant and school must be printed on the transcript; handwritten information will not be accepted.
- The class or course name must specifically indicate Physics, Physical Principles and/or Instrumentation in the title and be printed on the transcript. Supplementary information will not be accepted.
- Transcript can be unofficial or official.
- If submitting a foreign transcript or degree, a formal course by course foreign transcript evaluation report must accompany the application summary and indicate the above requirements.
- Transcripts indicating only a number grade must include a grade key printed on the transcript showing the equivalent letter grade. Supplementary information will not be accepted.
- A grade report will not be accepted in lieu of the transcript (unofficial or official). The above-listed documentation should be uploaded to their MY ARDMS/MY APCA accounts after they apply for the examination.

All documentation should be uploaded after an online application has been submitted.

To upload application documents, they must log in to their account. They will be able to access the Upload Documents page by clicking the My Resources tab and use the “Application Documents” file type.

Applying for the SPI Exam when Enrolled in a CAHHEP Accredited Program

ARDMS encourages students who are attending a CAAHEP accredited ultrasound program and have passed a college-level general, medical, or sonographic physics class, or have completed a physics seminar/course to apply for the SPI examination before they are added to the Paperless Prerequisite 2 Application Program for the specialty examinations; this avoids confusion when it comes the required documentation for the SPI application.



Looking for a Job in Ultrasound?

Here are two featured open positions:

[Medical Sonographer - Augusta University Medical Center \(Augusta, GA\)](#)
[Registered Vascular Technologist - \(Johnson City, TN\)](#)

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- Develop Exams
- Communicate about ARDMS
- Mentor Students

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