



REQUEST AND RECOMMENDATION

Central Ohio Technical College Bachelor of Applied Science in Diagnostic Medical Sonography Technology

Request:

Central Ohio Technical College requests approval to offer a Bachelor of Applied Science Degree in Diagnostic Medical Sonography Technology.

Background:

Central Ohio Technical College, located in Newark, Ohio, is a public institution with over 3,400 students enrolled in associate-level and certificate-level programs. The college is regionally accredited by the Higher Learning Commission until its next reaffirmation of accreditation in 2028-29. The college is also professionally accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP).

The Bachelor of Applied in Diagnostic Medical Sonography Technology program was submitted to the Chancellor's staff pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 3333.051, under which community colleges, state community colleges, and technical colleges may apply to offer applied bachelor's degrees.

Curriculum and Enrollment:

The Bachelor of Applied Science Degree in Diagnostic Medical Sonography Technology is a 120 semester hour program that builds on Central Ohio Technical Colleges current Applied Science in Diagnostic Medical Sonography. The program will provide students with advanced training in sonography and provide much needed advanced and specialized skills.

The program consists of coursework in general education; fetal, neonatal and pediatric echocardiography, echo techniques, survey of musculoskeletal, current issues in healthcare, vascular sonography, sonographic physics and instrumentation; obstetrical and gynecological sonography, breast sonography, echocardiography, pediatric echocardiography, and abdominal sonography. The program also includes general and cardiovascular clinicals.

Central Ohio Technical College projects a headcount enrollment of 20 students in the first year and subsequent years with a total of 60 students (all cohorts 1st, 2nd, 3rd years) by the third year.

Faculty and Resources:

Central Ohio Technical College has adequate faculty, staff, and resources to support the program.

Recommendation:

The Chancellor's staff attended the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) Change Visit and determined that the Bachelor of Applied Science in Diagnostic Medical Sonography Technology meets the Chancellor's standards for bachelor of applied science programs. The Chancellor's staff recommends approval contingent on progress reports to be submitted on 8/1/2022, 8/1/2023, and 8/1/2024. Approval is also contingent on appropriate progress toward CAAHEP accreditation. The Chancellor may, in his judgement, withdraw approval or require additional review if Central Ohio Technical College receives a sanction from the HLC or fails to obtain accreditation from CAAHEP.

End of Comment Period: 11/16/2021 at 3:45pm
No comments received, recommend approval

RECOMMENDATION	
The Associate Vice Chancellor has verified that this institution has met the standards and requirements of the Ohio Department of Higher Education.	
/s/ Stephanie McCann	11/17/2021
Stephanie McCann, Associate Vice Chancellor of Program Development & Approval	Date

APPROVAL	
	
Randy Gardner, Chancellor	12/23/2021
	Date

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