



REQUEST AND RECOMMENDATION

THE UNIVERSITY OF FINDLAY Master of Science in Radiologic Sciences

Request:

The University of Findlay requests authorization to offer a Master of Science in Radiologic Sciences.

Background:

The University of Findlay is a private, co-educational institution affiliated with the Churches of God, General Conference. Originally established in 1882 as Findlay College, the institution today serves nearly 4,000 students and offers associate, baccalaureate, master's, and professional doctoral degrees. The university has been authorized by the Chancellor since May 1969. The University of Findlay is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission until its next reaffirmation of accreditation in 2023-24. In addition, the university holds programmatic accreditation from a number of specialized accrediting bodies. The University of Findlay is not seeking specialized accreditation for the Master of Science in Radiologic Sciences because specialized accreditation is currently not common for Master-level radiologic sciences degrees.

Curriculum and Enrollment:

The Master of Science in Radiologic Sciences is a 44 semester credit hour, post-bachelor's program designed to provide advanced, post-primary credentials in diagnostic imaging modalities with emphasis on graduate-level thinking. Students admitted to the program will be certified in nuclear medicine and possess a baccalaureate degree. The program includes coursework in patient care and safety; image processing and quality analysis; PET/CT/MR instrumentation; pharmaceuticals and radiopharmacy; cross-sectional anatomy; managed care; healthcare regulations; and public policy. In addition, students will participate in a 16 credit-hour clinical. The culminating experience is a capstone experience.

The University of Findlay anticipates an initial enrollment of 21 full-time equivalent (FTE) students in the first year, growing to 32 FTE students in the fourth year.

Resource/Faculty Needs:

The University of Findlay has appropriately planned for the program. The proposed program director is certified in Nuclear Medicine, PET and CT and is currently working on his Ph.D. in Health Sciences.

Recommendation:

The Chancellor's staff recommends authorization of the Master of Science in Radiologic Sciences contingent upon the approval by the Higher Learning Commission. Authorization is also contingent upon the submission of progress reports by October 1, 2021, 2022, and 2023. Continued authorization will coincide with the University of Findlay's next reaffirmation of accreditation by the Higher Learning Commission in 2023-34. Authorization may be withdrawn if, in the Chancellor's judgement, reports do not demonstrate satisfactory compliance with the Chancellor's standards, or if the institution receives a sanction from the Higher Learning Commission.

End of Comment Period: August 6, 2020 at 12:00 p.m.
No comments received, recommend approval

RECOMMENDATION	
The Vice Chancellor has verified that this institution has met the standards and requirements of the Ohio Department of Higher Education.	
<i>Stephanie Davidson</i>	August 20, 2020
Stephanie Davidson, Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs	Date
APPROVAL	
	8/21/2020
Randy Gardner, Chancellor	Date

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