

Overview of National Licensing Process Foreign Medical Laboratory Scientist (MLS)

Ohio does not have a state licensure process for a medical laboratory scientist. Employers recognize the **national** certification offered through the American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP).

MLS requires a bachelor's degree. To find an accredited program in Ohio:

<http://www.naacls.org/search/programs.asp>

Potential students should:

- Have foreign transcripts evaluated
- Check with the college admissions office. The Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) Internet Based test (IBT) may be required before admission into the academic program.

The process for board certification is outlined below. For more details, please see the ASCP website.

American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP)

<http://www.ascp.org>



- Under the heading *Board of Certification*
 - Select *Get Certified*
 - The steps are listed on the ASCP website to enable students to become board certified



- Step 1 Eligibility
 - Select *Technologist Certification > Medical Laboratory Scientist (MLS)*
 - This page details eligibility requirements and routes



- Step 2 Documentation
 - Verify your academic education and training and experience



- Step 3 Examination Application
- Step 4 Schedule Examination

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