

SCHOOL OF ALLIED HEALTH DMS OBSERVATION HOURS



PURPOSE:

Observation also known as job shadowing, involves observing professionals in a particular field to gain insight into their work.

These hours are not required for students applying to the Diagnostic Medical Sonography (DMS) program but are **STRONGLY RECOMMENDED** to enhance their application.

Observation hours allow individuals to explore a career path, learn about daily tasks, and assess if it is the right fit. Observing Sonographers in the workplace can help you determine if this profession aligns with your interests and goals.

RECOMMENDED # OF HOURS:

It is strongly recommended that all applicants complete **40 HOURS OF OBSERVATION** in a Sonography Department before submitting their DMS application. Please note that some facilities require a minimum of 20 hours & other facilities allow a maximum of 20 hours per location.

VERIFICATION OF HOURS:

For verification of completed observation hours, the applicant should fill out the "**DOCUMENT OF OBSERVATION FOR APPLICANTS**" form located on the DMS program webpage no later than **MAY 1st**. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that this form is completed on time.

PARTICIPATING LOCATIONS:

Observation hours can be completed at any hospital or clinic that performs sonographic studies and permits students to observe. Listed below are a few suggestions to help you get started...

Any Ochsner Medical Center

Location:

<https://www.ochsner.org/giving/volunteer/job-shadowing/>

Any LCMC Location:

<https://www.lcmchealth.org/about-us/academic-affairs/learner-opportunities/>

Slidell Memorial Hospital:

(985) 280-2200

Volunteer department

St. Tammany Parish Hospital:

(985) 898-4071

Education, Development, & Training department

Thibodaux Regional Health System:

(985) 438-7877

Human Resources/Shadowing

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