

3+1 CANDIDATES FROM AFFILIATED COLLEGES

Students working towards a baccalaureate in medical technology must obtain a statement from their university or college registrar verifying that all degree requirements have been completed except the clinical educational year. This statement must be on file prior to beginning the McLeod Program. Coker College, and Francis Marion University are the current McLeod School of Medical Technology affiliates.

UPDATING COURSE WORK

Persons who have not taken an organic chemistry or biochemistry course applicable toward that prerequisite within the past seven years or who have not taken a microbiology course applicable toward the prerequisite within the past seven years must update their knowledge in these fields before entering the medical technology program. Updating course work can be done by any of these methods:

- (1) Taking the appropriate refresher course in chemistry and/or microbiology. The courses must be acceptable towards a major in chemistry or biology, respectively, or medical technology. A grade of "C" or better must be achieved in each course.
- (2) College credit may be obtained in chemistry or microbiology by challenge examination. If a grade is given, it must be at least a "C". This arrangement must be made between the individual and the college or university.
- (3) If you have recently been working in the chemical or microbiological laboratory, your experience may exempt you from one or both of the update prerequisites. A resume of your relevant work experience may be sent to the Program Director of the School of Medical Technology for evaluation.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS, INTERNATIONAL DEGREES AND ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Individuals for which English is a second language or who hold an international degree or have college credit from an international institution must submit scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) exam. **All international students who wish to enter the school must provide the Program with official documentation that they are legally eligible for employment in the United States via a green card or US citizenship and must satisfy at least one of the following criteria:**

- (1) Possess a foreign baccalaureate degree in either chemistry, biology or medical technology. Course work must meet the requirements specified in the program's brochure under "admission requirements" and will be subject to review and evaluation by an agency approved by the Program. The transcript evaluation must include courses taken, credit hours per course, and grades obtained in each course. A list of approved agencies is available upon request. Scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) exam must be submitted to the Program and will be used as part of the admission criteria. As of January 16, 2011, students must have TOEFL scores of at least 600 on the paper based exam, 250 on the computer based exam and 100 on the internet based exam. Subsets on the internet based TOEFL exam must be at least 26 on speaking and at least 23 each on reading, listening and writing. Subset scores on paper based and computer based exam must be equivalent to internet based exam. TOEFL scores must not be more than two years old. Students must provide the Program with official SAT or GRE scores. Students with international degrees must have at least 12 semester hours at a US approved academic institution. Courses to be determined by the Program Director and may include but are not limited to Immunology, Microbiology, Genetics, Molecular Biology and Organic Chemistry.
- (2) Admission and satisfactory progress in an affiliated college or university shall also be eligible for acceptance provided they meet the requirements specified in the program's brochure under "admission requirements" as well as those of the affiliated college or university. Scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) exam must be submitted to the Program and will be used as part of the admission criteria. As of January 15, 2011, students must have TOEFL scores of at least 600 on the paper based exam, 250 on the computer based exam and 100 on the internet based exam. Subsets on the internet based TOEFL exam must be at least 26 on speaking section and at least 23 each on reading, listening and writing. Subset scores on paper based and computer based exam must be equivalent to internet based exam. TOEFL scores must not be more than two years old. Students must provide the Program with Official SAT or GRE scores. Students must have at least 12 semester hours from the affiliated college or university. Courses to be determined by the Program Director and may include but are not limited to Immunology, Microbiology, Genetics, Molecular Biology and Organic Chemistry.

STUDENT SELECTION

The McLeod Medical Technology program accepts four (4) to eight (8) students annually. Historically the average class has six (6) students. The course of study is 12 months in length and begins in August each year. Students are evaluated on each area of the admission criteria. Each criteria is assigned weighted values and students are ranked according to most points obtained. The members of the faculty will evaluate and select according to rank/order the most qualified students for admission. Preference is given to students from the Pee Dee area of South Carolina in accordance with the School's mission. Students are encouraged to apply in the fall prior to their anticipated August entry into the Program. Personal interviews with Program Officials will be scheduled in October, November, December, and the first week of January. A letter of acceptance or rejection is sent to each candidate by March 1st of each year for candidates who completed the entire application process including interview by the January 15th deadline. Applicants who have not taken SAT or GRE must take the exam and submit the score to the Program. Applications without an SAT or GRE report will not be considered. Students with a verbal or math component of SAT below 400 will not qualify for an interview. International students without a TOEFL report will not be considered.

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