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 updates of prerequisites. A resume of your relevant work experience may be sent to the Program Director of the School of Medical Technology for evaluation.

FOREIGN STUDENTS, FOREIGN DEGREES AND ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Individuals for which English is a second language or who hold a foreign degree must submit scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) exam. All foreign students who wish to enter the school must provide the Program with documentation that they are legally eligible for employment in the United States 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. Student must have total TOEFL scores of 79 or higher with a minimum of 17 for each section to be eligible for admissions. Student must provide the Program with SAT, ACT, or GRE scores.

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. Student must have total TOEFL scores of 79 or higher with a minimum of 17 for each section to be eligible for admissions. Student must provide the Program with SAT, ACT, or GRE scores.

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 criterion is assigned weighted values and students are ranked according to most points obtained. The members of the Admissions Committee 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 Program’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, January, and February with the last interviews being scheduled on March 1st of each year. A letter of acceptance or rejection is sent to each candidate by April 1st of each year for candidates who completed the entire application process by the March 1st deadline.

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