



BREAST SONOGRAPHY CERTIFICATE

Effective 6-30-2022

The following steps must be completed **prior** to enrolling in the Breast Sonography Program:

- Complete an application for general admission to Pitt Community College.
- Submit official transcript from high school or high school equivalency diploma. Applicants with a bachelor's degree are exempt.
- Submit official transcripts from all colleges/universities attended.
- Meet with assigned Advisor.
- Check your myPittCC email account for important announcements on a regular basis.
- Read the [Health Sciences Essential FAQs](#).

Enrolling in Breast Sonography (BST) courses is not allowed until the requirements below are met. Until these requirements are met, students are enrolled as an Associate in General Education major or special credit student.

- Must have an **Associate Degree in Radiography**.
- Must have a **2.5 GPA** in discipline related coursework.
- Must hold **ARRT certification in Radiography and Mammography**.
- Must hold **active BLS Certification from the American Heart Association**.
- Must have a confirmed clinical site placement (coordinated by the program director).

SEMESTER OFFERED	COURSE	TITLE (CREDIT HOURS)
Spring	BST 101	Breast Pathophysiology (1)
Spring	BST 102	BST Physics & Equipment (2)
Spring	BST 103	BST Image Production & Eval (2)
Spring	BST 104	BST Procedures (1)
Spring	BST 105	Clinical Education (10)

BST 106-BST Clinical Ed Supplement and BST 107-BST Capstone are not required courses. However, they are available as options to students needing more clinical time to complete the required number of breast sonography procedures and preparing for the ARRT exam in breast sonography. Please contact the program director for more information.

Total Credits for Certificate: 16

A grade of C or better is required in all courses to graduate from the Breast Sonography Program.

For questions regarding enrollment in the Breast Sonography Program, contact health sciences admissions at (252) 493-7473 or hltscadm@email.pittcc.edu.

Students admitted to health sciences programs are required to complete a clinical practicum. Clinical facilities may require criminal background checks, drug screenings, credit checks, professional license checks, and/or proof of US citizenship prior to or during participation in the clinical portion of a program. Any expenses associated with these requirements are the responsibility of the student. Pending the outcome, clinical facilities may deny a student the opportunity to complete the clinical portion of a program. A student who is unable to complete the clinical portion of a program will not be able to graduate. Criminal background checks, drug screenings, credit checks, professional license checks, and/or proof of US citizenship may also be required after graduation by examination boards, state licensing boards, and employment agencies. Pending the outcome, a graduate may be disqualified from examination eligibility, state licensure, and/or employment.

Students admitted to health sciences programs are required to have a physical examination to determine if they are physically and emotionally capable of performing the essential functions of the program and must submit a completed medical form. A record of immunizations, including, but not limited to, an annual Influenza vaccine and the COVID-19 vaccine must be included with the medical form. A medical or religious exemption for vaccines must be approved by the clinical site(s). PCC does not grant vaccine exemptions in lieu of the clinical site(s) and does not guarantee vaccine exemptions will be approved by the clinical site(s).

Programs at PCC that prepare students for professional licensure are designed to prepare a student to apply for applicable licensure in North Carolina. In order to ensure whether the program meets requirements for professional licensure outside North Carolina, PCC recommends the student contact the program director prior to enrolling in the program.

It is the policy of PCC not to discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, handicap, religion, age, or national origin in the recruitment and admission of students; the recruitment, employment, training, and promotion of faculty and staff; and the operation of any of its programs and activities, as specified by federal laws and regulations. PCC is an equal opportunity institution.

Health Sciences admissions policies are not to be regarded as an irrevocable contract between PCC and students. PCC reserves the right to change any provisions or requirements at any time. Every effort will be made to minimize the inconvenience such changes create for students.