

Oregon Institute of Technology at Oregon Health & Science University
Joint Program
Clinical Laboratory Science Program

Essential Requirements

Introduction

Faculty in the Clinical Laboratory Science Program have a responsibility for the welfare of the patients treated or otherwise affected by students enrolled in Clinical Laboratory Science, as well as for the welfare of students at this university. In order to fulfill this responsibility, the program has established minimum essential requirements that must be met, with or without reasonable accommodation, in order to participate in the program and graduate. The Clinical Laboratory Science Program (CLS), as part of OIT and OHSU, is committed to the principle of equal opportunity. The program does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, age, marital status, disability, disabled veteran or Vietnam era veteran status.

Policy

Program Admission and retention decisions for the CLS program are based not only on prior satisfactory academic achievement, but also on non-academic factors which serve to insure that the candidate can complete the essential requirements of the academic program for graduation. Essential requirements, as distinguished from academic standards, refer to those cognitive, physical, and behavioral abilities that are necessary for satisfactory completion of all aspects of the curriculum and for the development of professional attributes required by the faculty of all students at graduation. The following essential requirements have been developed in compliance with the National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS).

[It is the responsibility of the student with disabilities to request those accommodations that he/she feels are reasonable and are needed to execute the essential requirements. If you have questions about the process for requesting accommodations, please contact the Office of the Director for Campus Access and Equal Opportunity, Oregon Institute of Technology, 3201 Campus Drive, Klamath Falls, Oregon, 97601-8801. TTY \(541\) 885-1072; FAX \(541\) 885-1520; e-mail: >access@oit.edu<.](#)

Standards

- 1) The CLS curriculum requires essential abilities in information acquisition. The student must have the ability to master information presented in course work. Additionally, the student must master relevant content in basic science and clinical courses at a level deemed appropriate by the faculty.
- 2) The student must be able to safely and accurately perform patient testing. He/she must be able to distinguish objects both macroscopically and microscopically.

- 3) The student must practice safe specimen handling. He/she must be able to perform delicate manipulations on specimens and instruments necessary for complete and accurate diagnostic test results.
- 4) Students must have adequate mobility to attend to duties in the various locations of the work environment.
- 5) The student must be able and willing to work with blood and with organisms that may be infectious. He/she must be able to work with a wide variety of chemical reagents. He/she must follow established laboratory safety protocols.
- 6) The student must be able to work accurately and safely under stress, e.g., work under time constraints; read, record numbers accurately; perform repetitive tasks; concentrate in distracting situations; and make subjective evaluations, and decisions where mistakes may have a high impact on patient care. He/she must be able to adapt to changing environments and be able to prioritize tasks.
- 7) The student must be able to communicate effectively in order to transmit information to members of the health care team. The appropriate communication may also rely on the student's ability to make a correct judgment in seeking supervisory help and consultation in a timely manner.
- 8) The student must possess attributes which include integrity, responsibility, and tolerance. He/she must show respect for self and others., work independently as well as with others, and project an image of professionalism.

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Please sign and date this form, and return it with your application materials for the Clinical Laboratory Science Program.

I certify that I have read and understand the Clinical Laboratory Science/Medical Technology Program's Essential Requirements for admission and that I meet each of them, with or without reasonable accommodation.

Signature

Date

Printed or Typed Name