

Addendum to the 2020-2021 catalog

Since the publishing of the new UAMS catalog, a few changes have been made to some of our programs. Those changes are highlighted in the list below.

- Audiology GRE Requirement Waived: In response to restrictions caused by the COVID-19 outbreak, some academic institutions are waiving requirements for the GRE for applicants. Our program has elected to waive the requirement for the GRE for Fall 2021 admission.
- **Dental Hygiene GPA Requirement and Assessment:** In addition to there being a minimum cumulative and prerequisite GPA of a 2.75, a minimum math/science GPA of a 2.75 is also required.
- **Dental Hygiene Professional Observation Alternate Option:** Many dental offices are restricting visitors due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This includes applicants/prospective students trying to schedule a professional observation as part of the UAMS Dental Hygiene's application process. We understand not everyone will have access to complete an in-person professional observation and have created an alternative option to meet this application requirement. Read more about this option on the **How to Apply** page.
- **Diagnostic Medical Sonography Prerequisites:** Due to the fact that some students must take two Physics courses to cover all required topics, depending on from which school their courses are based, the hours for the Physics requirement have been changed from "3" to "3-6". You can view this on the **Prerequisite Courses** page.
- Diagnostic Medical Sonography Professional Observation Alternate Option: As a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, many healthcare facilities are restricting visitors. This includes applicants/prospective students trying to schedule a professional observation as part of the UAMS Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program's application process. We understand not everyone will have access to complete an in-person professional observation and have created an option to meet this application requirement. Read more about this option on the How to Apply page.
- Genetic Counseling GRE Requirement Waived: In response to restrictions caused by the COVID-19 outbreak, some academic institutions are waiving requirements for the GRE for applicants. Our Genetic Counseling M.S. program has elected to waive the requirement for the GRE for Fall 2021 admission.
- Medical Laboratory Sciences MLT-to-MLS Spring Admissions Program Track: The MLT-to-MLS Degree Completion program is now offering a Spring admission cycle that runs for four semesters. While the admissions information was published in the catalog, the program curriculum for students starting in the Spring semester was not. You can find that new program track by clicking this link.
- Nuclear Medicine Imaging Sciences Professional Observation Requirement Changes: As a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, many healthcare facilities are restricting visitors, including applicants/prospective students that are trying to schedule a professional observation as part of the UAMS Nuclear Medicine Imaging Sciences Program's application process. In order for all applicants to be equally and fairly reviewed, the in-person professional observation will not be required. Read more about the updated requirement on the How to Apply page.
- **Physical Therapy Prerequisites:** The Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program has updated their recommendations for courses to take to meet their prerequisite requirements. You can view that updated list on their **Admission Requirements** page.
- Physical Therapy CASPer Requirement: The CASPer Test requirement for the DPT program now includes completion of a "Casper Snapshot". You can learn more about that on their <u>Admission</u> <u>Requirements</u> and/or <u>How to Apply</u> pages



- Radiologic Imaging Sciences Professional Observation Waived: Due to COVID-19 and current limitations to outside visitors in healthcare environments, the Professional Observation requirement has been waived for the Fall 2021 admission cycle.
- Speech-Language Pathology GRE Requirement Waived: In response to restrictions caused by the COVID-19 outbreak, some academic institutions are waiving requirements for the GRE for applicants. Our program has elected to waive the requirement for the GRE for Fall 2021 admission.
- Undergraduate Programs and AP Credits: Whether or not Advanced Placement (AP) courses are accepted varies by program. Please refer to the following when determining if AP courses can be accepted:
 - Programs that WILL NOT accept AP credit to satisfy science and math requirements, but
 WILL accept AP credit to satisfy general education requirements:
 - Diagnostic Medical Sonography
 - Nuclear Medicine Imaging Sciences
 - Radiologic Imaging Sciences
 - Respiratory Care (up to 15 semester credit hours)
 - Programs that WILL NOT accept AP credit to satisfy science requirements, but WILL accept AP credit to satisfy general education and mathematics requirements if the transferring institution has given equivalent *credit* for the courses at their institution:
 - Cytotechnology
 - Medical Laboratory Sciences
 - o Program that **WILL NOT** accept AP credit to satisfy any prerequisite courses:
 - Dental Hygiene