

# SHarP SCHOLARS PROGRAM

## APPLICATION FOR GUARANTEED ADMISSION

### Clinical and Diagnostic Sciences Department

#### School of Health Professions, University of Missouri

605 Lewis Hall, Columbia, MO 65211

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### General Information

The School of Health Professions (SHP) Clinical & Diagnostic Sciences Department (CDS) offers a guaranteed admission application option for high school seniors and MU freshmen to the following degree programs:

**Clinical Laboratory Sciences, Diagnostic Medical Ultrasound, Nuclear Medicine, Radiography, and Respiratory Therapy.**

Students selected as SHarP scholars, who remain in good standing, having met the requirements for admission, are guaranteed a position into a School of Health Professions' program upon satisfactory completion of the pre-professional phase of their program.

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### ADMISSION CRITERIA:

1. Must be a current High School senior or University of Missouri freshman
2. Rank in the top 10% of your high school class at the time of application (subject to interpretation regarding school and curriculum).
3. Attain a minimum composite score of 30 on the American College Test (ACT) or 1330 on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT).
4. Upon admission to the University of Missouri applicant must choose your degree program/major to be the same as you have chosen for this application (i.e. Program Name – Pre Health Professions). (<https://admissions.missouri.edu/>).
5. Make an appointment with the Program Director to discuss your application. It is *highly* recommended to meet with the program director **before** beginning the application process.

### APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Complete the application including the essay and return by the due date.
2. Submit the provided Recommendation Form to your Guidance Counselor or Principal:
  - a. Complete the top portion of the form.
  - b. Give the form to your Counselor or Principal for completion.
  - c. The Counselor or Principal **must** attach an official copy of your completed high school transcript (as they become available).
3. Submit the provided Recommendation Form to a Teacher or Professor who is familiar with your academic performance:
  - a. Complete the top portion of the form.
  - b. Give the form to a teacher who knows you well.
4. Complete the required number of observation hours required by your chosen discipline to submit with this application. Use the Observation Form located on the program website. Additional observation hours may be required prior to entering the professional phase of the program.

5. All application materials will be **due**:
  - a. High School Seniors: **March 1<sup>st</sup>**
  - b. Mizzou Freshmen: **November 15<sup>th</sup>**
6. Application materials should be sent via:  
Mail: SHarP Scholars Admissions  
Clinical & Diagnostic Sciences Department  
University of Missouri  
605 Lewis Hall  
Columbia, MO 65211  
E-Mail: [KoehnA@health.missouri.edu](mailto:KoehnA@health.missouri.edu)  
Fax: (573) 884-1490
7. Applications will be reviewed following the March 1 for high school seniors or November 15 for Mizzou freshmen deadlines.
8. Completed application files will be reviewed by a departmental screening committee. **Some programs may require an interview.** Applicants will be notified of decisions in a timely manner directly by the program

Meeting minimum criteria does not automatically qualify students for acceptance as a SHarP Scholar.

***NOTE:** Students who are accepted as SHarP Scholars may need to complete additional application requirements prior to entering their professional program. Specific program requirements are communicated to students upon acceptance as SHarP Scholars.*

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### **Maintaining Participant Status Requires:**

- Continuous enrollment (excluding summers) at MU.
- Maintaining a minimum MU cumulative GPA of 3.5.
- Minimum of B- grades on all required courses. Students are allowed one semester to rectify a deficient course grade or GPA; remediation must be accomplished at MU, efficiently advance the student toward completion of prerequisites, and be approved by the SHarP faculty advisor.
- Comply with the academic and behavioral standards established by the program for pre-professional and professional students (i.e.: prerequisite courses, additional clinical observation, meetings with a mentor).

Additional information can be obtained by contacting the Clinical and Diagnostic Science Department Administrative Assistant, Adria Koehn at [koehna@health.missouri.edu](mailto:koehna@health.missouri.edu) or the program director.

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**Program choice** (check one):

- Clinical Laboratory Science  
 Diagnostic Medical Ultrasound  
 Nuclear Medicine

**Today's Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Radiography  
 Respiratory Therapy

Anticipated program (from above list) term to start: Summer/Fall of (year) \_\_\_\_\_

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**Applicant Information:**

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| Last Name       | First Name       | Middle Name |       |
| _____           | _____            | _____       |       |
| Mailing Address | City             | State       | Zip   |
| _____           | _____            | _____       | _____ |
| E-Mail          | Telephone Number | Birthdate   |       |
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**Education Information**

Current student status:  High School Senior  MU Freshmen

List all high schools attended, in order, including Dates of Attendance, Contact Information (e.g. phone number, email, name, etc.), Anticipated Graduation and Location (City, State)

Current: \_\_\_\_\_

Previous: \_\_\_\_\_

Completed high school Honors Courses:

Have you taken college courses while in high school?  Yes /  No

If yes, indicate the institution, courses, and grades received:

ACT / SAT Score:

School Activities:

Other Activities (Community, Church, Employment, Medically-Related, Etc.):

Honors Received:

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**Essay:** On a separate sheet of paper, please discuss how you developed a personal interest in the health profession for which you are applying. You may include a separate sheet of paper with any additional comments to help the SHarP Scholars Program Committee learn about you as an individual and about the development of your interest as a health care professional.