

Clinical Facility and Educational Affiliates

The Our Lady of Fatima Hospital School of Medical Technology was founded in 1950 and is part of the Prospect Chartercare health care system in Rhode Island. The school provides a clinical internship program that is integral in attaining a bachelor of science degree in medical laboratory science.

This clinical academic year, as part of a four-year or additional year baccalaureate program, provides the academic and practical experiences necessary to attain entry level competency in the field. The School of Medical Technology program is an eleven month internship that begins in June and ends the following May. Students begin the year with an 8-week intensive followed by lectures every Monday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and rotations Tuesday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The program provides students with didactic and clinical rotation experience in the areas of microbiology, hematology, coagulation, urinalysis, chemistry, immunohematology, immunology, and molecular biology. Clinical experiences occur in the laboratories at Our Lady of Fatima Hospital with the Clinical Molecular Biology experience happening the Clinical Molecular Biology Laboratory at Rhode Island Hospital.

Students completing the clinical year of professional studies receive a certificate of completion from Our Lady of Fatima Hospital that indicates successful completion of all required courses and clinical experiences. In addition, students who are enrolled in one of the affiliated institutions receive a bachelor of science degree in medical laboratory science from that institution. Students are also eligible to take any one of the available certifying examinations designed for generalists in the field of medical laboratory science/ medical technology. The primary examination taken by students is offered by the American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP). Additional information can be found at www.ascp.org. The successful completion of the program is not contingent upon the student passing any type of external certification or licensure examination.

Contact the advisors of the medical technology/medical laboratory science programs at the following affiliated institutions for additional information about the degree requirements:

- **University of Rhode Island**
- **Rhode Island College**
- **Salve Regina University**