

**Fact Sheet for Applicants: 2021-2022 Program Year**

**St. Luke's College – UnityPoint Health  
MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE PROGRAM**

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- 1. Notification of selection:** St. Luke's College participates in the COMLE matching program, and notifies students of acceptance in late November/early December. A total of ten students are accepted, with clinical experience at UnityPoint - St. Luke's laboratory and/or MercyOne Siouxland Medical Center laboratories.
- 2. Tuition & Books:** A \$300 non-refundable enrollment fee paid at time of acceptance is applied toward the tuition. Tuition is \$7500 and is paid in 2 installments: \$3450 due in August and \$3750 due in January. Financial aid should be arranged through the student's affiliated college/university. Students are eligible for scholarships through St. Luke's College and professional organizations. The cost of books is approximately \$800 and may be purchased through the St. Luke's College Bookstore.
- 3. Health Policies & Health Insurance:** A physical health exam, TB skin testing, and proof of immunizations are required before classes begin. It is **strongly** recommended that students have received the Hepatitis B vaccine series prior to starting the program. Health insurance is **strongly** recommended.
- 4. Didactic and Clinical Schedule:** The Program typically starts the first Monday in **August**. Classes meet Monday-Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Mornings are spent in clinical laboratory rotations, and afternoons in lecture.

**2020-21 PROGRAM CALENDAR**

August 3, 2020.....	Orientation session begins
August 24, 2020.....	Clinical rotations begin
September 7, 2020.....	Labor Day holiday
November 25-27, 2020.....	Thanksgiving Break
November 30, 2020.....	Program Resumes
December 19 – January 3, 2021.....	Winter Break
January 4, 2021.....	Program Resumes
March 8-12, 2021.....	Spring Break
March 15, 2021.....	Program Resumes
May 24, 2021.....	Memorial Day holiday
June 25, 2021.....	Program completion

- 5. Grades:** Equal emphasis is given to didactic (lecture) scores and clinical experience. A student must maintain a minimum of 70% average in all courses. Final course grades are derived as follows: 50% lecture grade + 50% clinical grade. The college/university will be sent a transcript upon completion of the program for 3+1 students. A final grade is earned after satisfactory completion (70% or higher) of all requirements for a course; both didactic and clinical.

6. **Criminal Background Check:** A passed criminal background check will be required prior to clinical participation. The student is responsible for all costs associated with the criminal background check.

7. **Program Outcomes:**

- 2018-2020: 100% graduation rate
- 2018-2020: 0% attrition rate
- 2018-2020: 100% of graduates passed the ASCP-BOC exam within the first year of graduation.
- 2017-2019: 100% of respondent graduates seeking employment obtained a medical laboratory science-related job or pursued further education within a year of completing the program.

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