

Fact Sheet for Applicants: 2022-2023 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 seven to 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. Some colleges/universities require that the student pay the affiliated school and then St. Luke's College is reimbursed for the cost of the program. 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. There is an additional \$100 fee for a clinical management software program used throughout the year.
- 3. Health Policies & Health Insurance:** A physical health exam, TB skin testing, and proof of immunizations are required before classes begin. COVID-19 vaccination, as well as additional health screen and immunizations per clinical site, may be required. 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.

2021-22 PROGRAM CALENDAR

August 2, 2021.....	Orientation session begins
August 23, 2021.....	Clinical rotations begin
September 6, 2021.....	Labor Day holiday
November 24-26, 2021.....	Thanksgiving Break
November 29, 2021.....	Program Resumes
December 23 – January 2, 2022.....	Winter Break
January 3, 2022.....	Program Resumes
March 7-11, 2022.....	Spring Break
March 14, 2022.....	Program Resumes
May 30, 2022.....	Memorial Day holiday
June 24, 2022.....	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:**
 - 2019-2021: 100% graduation rate
 - 2019-2021: 0% attrition rate
 - 2018-2020: 100% of graduates passed the ASCP-BOC exam within the first year of graduation.
 - 2018-2020: 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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Didactic faculty members include program officials, pathologists, and selected medical laboratory scientists. A current list of program clinical faculty members and college/university advisors is available from the program director. For more information contact the program director at (712)279-3967