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University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point (UWSP)
Medical Laboratory Science Program
Medical Laboratory Technician (MLT) to Medical Laboratory Scientist (MLS)
Statement of Support

The individual listed below is participating in the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point Medical Laboratory Science Medical Laboratory Technician to Medical Laboratory Scientist online program. UWSP's program provides an opportunity for a valued employee to further their educational status and obtain national certification. UWSP's MLS program is accredited by the National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Science (NAACLS).

The didactic portion of this program will be provided using an asynchronous online delivery format. Students will have access to the learning management system known as Canvas 24/7 to complete their coursework. Coursework will be completed according to the timeline identified in individual course syllabi/schedules. All courses must be completed within the designated timeframe.

After successful completion of the didactic portion of the program, students will be qualified to demonstrate technical competency under the supervision of a qualified mentor/preceptor (or medical laboratory science professional) to aid the UWSP faculty in determining the student's completion of the required minimal technical outcomes. The student must obtain a statement of support indicating the employer's understanding and agreement with the responsibilities outlined in this document. The following are rules that must be followed by the student and employer should the student need to complete any required technical competencies.

- Required laboratory components for the MLT to MLS program must be completed at the student's work facility or other approved clinical site.
- The student cannot complete the required components as part of their regular work duties.
 - For this to occur, the assistance of a mentor/preceptor and other facilitators will be required.
 - The facilitator does not need to be a full-time clinical instructor, but should be able to answer questions, evaluate entry level outcomes, and give valuable assistance as needed.
 - A variety of mentors/preceptors may be utilized depending on the organization and size of the facility.
 - Depending on the student's skill level and work experience, the time involved for mentors will vary for each discipline.

This statement of support also requires the employer to complete any additional University required documentation of the student's technical abilities as needed. Such documentation may include but is not limited to **facility fact sheet(s), student outcome evaluations form(s).** **In addition, all facilities participating in the advanced training must hold an affiliation agreement with the UWSP MLS program. Affiliation agreements must be completed and on file with the MLS program prior to the student entering the clinical experience.** If the affiliation agreement is not on file prior to the start of the clinical experience, the student will **NOT** be allowed to proceed until the document is received.

Student: _____

Facility Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

The information below is to be completed by the laboratory director, manager, and/or education coordinator:

Please indicate **on-site** departments: (all departments do not need to be present, however, the student is responsible for finding a site to sponsor them if the site does not offer advanced hands-on experience.) If additional sites are required, each site must complete a statement of support to be included with the student's application. **Student competency of ALL major core areas will be evaluated with an Attestation Task List form provided by UWSP.**

_____ Hematology/Hemostasis

_____ Microbiology/Bacteriology: Basic gram staining, culture set up

_____ Microbiology/Bacteriology: Advanced culture identification, susceptibility, molecular techniques

_____ Chemistry

_____ Immunohematology: Basic ABO/RH typing, antibody identification

_____ Immunohematology: Advanced techniques in antibody identification, HDFN Testing

_____ UA/Body Fluids

_____ Serology/Immunology

Laboratory Accreditation: (CAP, JC, COLA, CLIA, Other): _____

It is my understanding that prior to being accepted into the UWSP Medical Laboratory Sciences Online Program, the student must obtain a statement of support indicating that the laboratory understands their responsibility. Thank you for supporting your employee as they further their education.

Laboratory Director/Manager (Education Coordinator)

Date

Email address

Phone number

Student

Date

Please refer questions to the Medical Laboratory Science Program Director.
Submit completed document to School of Health Sciences and Wellness via the following link.
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