

Orig.: X Mod.: Date: **8/14/17** **Programs approved through 6/26/18**

- Tuition Increase \$252/credit hour

**(Programs are for individuals employed part-time in medical laboratory—must meet WIOA Eligibility requirements.) See Press Release attached.**



**RECRUITMENT AND REFERRAL FORM**  
**WIOA ITA Program**

**Program:** See next page.

**Program Provider:** Weber State University (Online programs)

**FEIN:** 876000535

**Address:** 3905 University Circle  
Ogden, UT 84408

**Telephone:** 801-626-6120 (Kakazu)

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**Training Site Address:** On-line

**Contact Person:** Julie Kakazu, MLS On-line Coordinator

**Email:** [juliekakazu@weber.edu](mailto:juliekakazu@weber.edu)

**Activity Name:** Occ. Class. Training (Adult & DW)

**Program:** Training Services

**Provider Code:** 2013-501

**Agreement Start Date:** 3/24/14

**CIP Code:** 511005

**O\*Net Codes:** 292011; 292012

**Session Dates or Open Entry-Open Exit:** Call

**Average Time to Complete Program/Certificate/Degree:** varies

**Last Day Program Will Accept Referrals:** (Talk to Julie Kakazu.)

**Program Description:** Follow this link: <http://www.weber.edu/mls>

**Expected Outcome:** Employment as Medical Laboratory Technician or Technologist  
or in other position in medical laboratory sciences

**Program Schedule:** On-line No. of Participants: -- Total: -- Per Session: --Age: Math Level: -- Reading Level: --

**Other:**

- **Must have H.S. diploma or GED**
- **Physical exam**
- **Employed part-time in medical laboratory** (underemployed and income-eligible for WIOA or in 10% window)
- **Follow this link to *MLS Online Program FAQ* for other requirements:**  
<http://www.weber.edu/mls/degrees/online/FAQ.html>

**(Note: First talk to Julie Kakazu (815626-6120.)**

**Referral Procedures:** Contact Julie Kakazu

**Costs:** See Attached

**Authorization:** The Workforce Connection, Inc.

R&R prepared by Valerie Johnson, TWC Planning & Quality Assurance Manager.

Rock River Training Corporation (RRTC) is the fiscal agent for WIOA programming approved by TWC.

**PROGRAMS APPROVED FOR FUNDING AND COSTS**

**Programs Approved for Funding  
and  
Tuition and Fees and Other Required Expenses for Approved Programs**

TWC will pay for required books and supplies for courses in approved programs.

**All programs are approved for both WIOA and TAA participants.**

**Provider: Weber State University**

Specific Programs/Credential/CIP& O\*Net Codes

Tuition Costs and Fees

Supplies

**PROGRAM CERTIFIED UNTIL JUNE 26, 2018:**

<b>Program – Credential</b>	<b>CIP</b>	<b>O*Net Code and Name</b>
<b>Medical Laboratory Technician (A.A.S.) <i>Online Program</i></b>	<b>511005</b>	292011 Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technologist 2922012 Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technicians
<b>Medical Laboratory Sciences (B.S.) <i>Online Program</i></b>	<b>511005</b>	292011 Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technologist 2922012 Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technicians

**Costs: Weber State University Costs for On-line programs: \$252 per credit hour (plus course fees)**

**Refunds and Reimbursements (2017-2018 College Catalog)**

- Student fees and course fees are refunded based on the University refund schedule (see weber.edu/bursar)
- Late fees and withdrawal fees are nonrefundable
- In most cases, if a credit card is used to pay for tuition and fees, refunds and residual funds will be credited to the credit card. Students may opt to have any refund sent electronically to a bank account of their choice by setting up a refund profile at weber.edu/bursar/erefunds.html
- All other refunds will be mailed to the student
- Admission fees and recording fees are nonrefundable
- Refunds for dropped courses will be processed after the third week of class

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**See next page for Press Release regarding Weber MLS online programming and area hospitals.**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## Regional Partnership Announced to Help Fill Need for Medical Lab Technicians.

The Northwest Illinois Collaborative, an organization made up of hospitals in the northwest Illinois region, and Weber State University are announcing a new program to help address critical shortages in medical laboratory technicians.

The program will allow employees at the five hospitals involved to take classes on-line to earn degrees from Weber State in Medical Laboratory Science.

The Northwest Illinois Collaborative (NWIC) includes Rockford Memorial Hospital, OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center (both of Rockford), FHN (Freeport), Katherine Shaw Bethea Hospital (Dixon) and CGHMC (Sterling).

“According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 12,400 graduates will be needed annually to staff the nation’s medical laboratories. However, on a national basis less than half of the necessary laboratory personnel are graduating,” said NWIC President Julie D. Mann, MBA. “We are seeing these shortages become more critical within community health systems that are growing their outreach programs. This collaboration provides our client laboratories with an opportunity to educate laboratory personnel, without taking them away from their work sites.”

“We are pleased to build a relationship with Weber State University that will strengthen the medical laboratory industry and reinforce our clients’ community health programs,” said NWIC member Len Carter, Vice President, FHN.

Under this agreement, NWIC and WSU, a pioneer in the distance-learning arena, will partner to provide enhanced opportunities for NWIC client institutions to access Web-based education in the field of medical technology to obtain Medical Laboratory Science (MLS) (<http://www.weber.edu/mls>) bachelor’s and associate degrees online. (<http://www.weber.edu/mls/degrees/online/BS.html>) and (<http://www.weber.edu/mls/degrees/online/AAS.html>)

WSU, based in Ogden, Utah, has been recognized for its groundbreaking academic programs and was the first university to offer a complete MLS bachelor’s degree and CLT associate’s degree online. The program includes the study and performance of laboratory tests vital to the detection, differential diagnosis, treatment, and study of diseases.

“Students access the courses online anytime. Completion of their laboratory competencies for each course occurs after work in their own facilities with approval and support of their employers. Students who participate in this online program will utilize the resources of their respective work facilities to successfully complete required laboratory competencies rather than traveling to off-site classes,” said Yasmien Simonian, PhD, MT(ASCP), MLS(NCA), dean of the Dr. Ezekiel R. Dumke College of Health Professions (<http://www.weber.edu/chp/default.html>)

at Weber and former professor and chair of the Department of Medical Laboratory Sciences (<http://www.weber.edu/mls>).

Key elements of this collaboration include:

- A WSU application fee will apply to all applicants. However, the Department of Medical Laboratory Sciences will waive the distance-learning program application fee for NWIC client institution applicants.

- Applicants must provide evidence of referral from the human resource division of the sponsored participating institution in order to utilize the financial incentives. This information can be accessed at: <http://nwilhealthcareers.com>
- Applicant must meet WSU's and the department of Medical Laboratory Science's acceptance criteria and will be ranked and selected in the same manner as other applicants.
  - WSU Department of Medical Laboratory Sciences on-campus and online programs are accredited by the National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS).
- Graduates are eligible to sit for the registry exam(s) AAS MLT degree and again after completing graduation with their BS MLS degree.
- Online student learning at WSU is equal to or better than learning within a traditional classroom as verified with regular, comparative assessments.

### **About Weber State University**

Weber State University is a teaching university with multiple campuses and centers serving northern Utah. The century-old university offers more than 200 degree programs – the most comprehensive undergraduate offering in Utah. More than 18,000 students pursue bachelor's degrees, two-year associate degrees, and professional certificates in applied science and technology, arts and humanities, business and economics, education, health professions, science, or social and behavioral sciences. Master's degrees are available in accounting, athletic training, business administration, criminal justice, education, English, healthcare administration, and nursing. Distance learning, independent study, evening courses, and an early-college program for high school students provide additional learning opportunities. WSU is a leader in Internet instruction with more than 350 courses available through WSU Online.

### **About Northwest Illinois Healthcare Collaborative**

The Northwest Illinois Healthcare Collaborative is a group comprised of five independent healthcare organizations in Northwest Illinois. Our goal by working together is to convey not only what Northwest Illinois offers in regards to specific health systems, but what it provides in family-oriented communities and recreation as well.

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