BERGEN COMMUNITY COLLEGE DIVISION OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHY PROGRAM

DMS 101

1 lec., 3 lab., 2 credits

Co-requisites: DMS-102, DMS-113, DMS-115

COURSE DESCRIPTION: Ultrasound Physics and Instrumentation I will provide the student with the relevant fundamental physical properties as the basic instrumentation used in diagnostic ultrasound. Modes of operation, imaging and display techniques that relate to high frequency sound production will be stressed.

GENERAL COURSE OBJECTIVES: At the conclusion of this course, the student will be able to:

- ✓ Discuss how ultrasound can produce images of the human body.
- ✓ Define the parameters of a sound wave as well as the parameters of pulsed ultrasound.
- ✓ Define all terms related to ultrasound physics.
- ✓ Demonstrate how to use equipment related to ultrasound.
- ✓ Select the proper transducer for any ultrasound procedure.
- ✓ Explain the role of each component of an ultrasound instrument.
- ✓ Adjust ultrasound machine controls to obtain a diagnostic image.

REQUIRED TEXTBOOK: Kremkau, Frederick W. DIAGNOSTIC ULTRASOUND: PRINCIPLES AND INSTRUMENTS. Eighth edition. W.B.Saunders Company. Philadelphia. 2011.

COURSE POLICIES:

- 1. In addition to scheduled tests, a quiz on the previous week's material will be administered prior to each lecture.
- 2. Missed quizzes (due to absenteeism or tardiness) cannot be made up. The lowest quiz grade will be dropped.
- 3. A physicians note must be submitted for any absence on a scheduled test day. The missed test must be made up in the Testing Center before the next class meeting.
- 4. If recording devises are encouraged and must be used in a manner that is not disruptive to the class. A voice activated unit is recommended.
- 5. Cell phone use in the classroom is prohibited.

ASSESSMENT: Knowledge of course objectives will be assessed by verbal questions prior to, and at the end of each class, quizzes, tests, and lab worksheets.

NUMERICAL GRADE CALCULATION

FINAL GRADE CALCULATION

Lab assignments	10%	92 to 100	A
Quiz average	25%	88 to 91.9	B+
Test average	30%	83 to 87.9	В
Final exam	35%	79 to 82.9	C+
		75 to 78.9	C
		0 to 74.9	F

All grades are "absolute" and will not be rounded off.

COURSE OF STUDY (Subject to change)

Week 1 History of ultrasound

Echo production

Differences between ultrasound and x-rays

Sound wave theory

Week 2 Sound wave theory

Transducer (crystal element)

Piezoelectricity

Week 3 Parameters of a sound wave

Velocity of a sound wave

Pulsed ultrasound

Week 4 Power, amplitude, and intensity

Decibels

Week 5 TEST #1

Week 6 Attenuation – definition and computation

Attenuation – causes

Reflections – specular and non-specular

Week 7 Impedance

Perpendicular incidence

Week 8 Intensity Reflection Coefficient

Intensity Transmission Coefficient Oblique Incidence and Refraction

Snell's Law

Week 9 TEST #2

Week 10 Pulse-echo range equation

Scanning modes

Transducers: construction, crystals, backing, and matching layer

Week 11 Bandwidth

Multi-hertz transducers

Quality factor

Characteristics of a sound beam

Week 12 Detail resolution; Axial and Lateral

Instrumentation: Pulser, Transducer, Receiver

Week 13 TEST #3

Week 14 Instrumentation: Image Processors, Memory, and Display

Review for final

Week 15 FINAL EXAMINATION (CUMULATIVE)