# Master of Science in Medical Laboratory Science

### **Admission Requirements**

Applicants who are seeking admission to School of Graduate Studies must meet all of the minimum general School of Graduate Studies admission requirements identified in the graduate catalog. In addition, prospective students must fulfill the following requirements for admission to the graduate program in Medical Laboratory Science. Application deadlines can be found on the MLS or UND School of Graduate Studies websites.

- 1. B.A. or B.S. degree and successful completion of a MLS/CLS/MT certification examination (ASCP certification preferred; include proof of certification with application).
- 2. Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of at least 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) for the junior and senior years of undergraduate work.
- Satisfy the School of Graduate Studies' English Language Proficiency requirements as published in the graduate catalog.
- 4. Previous work experience as a MLS/CLS/MT is recommended (include a resume of applicable work experience with application).

## **Degree Requirements**

Students seeking the Master of Science degree at the University of North Dakota must satisfy all general requirements set forth by the School of Graduate Studies as well as particular requirements set forth by the Medical Lab Science Program.

- 1. A minimum of 33 total semester credits as outlined in the Curriculum section
- 2. Successful completion of two comprehensive examinations.

## Curriculum

#### FOUNDATION COURSES

All Foundation Courses are required for degree completion. MLS 525 must be completed in the first semester. MLS 524 should be completed during the first or second fall semester. MLS 515 should be completed in the last spring semester.

| Code    | Title   | Credits |
|---------|---|---------|
| MLS 515 | Capstone in Medical Laboratory Science                  | 2       |
| MLS 524 | Current Trends and Issues in Medical Laboratory Science | 2       |
| MLS 525 | Professional Communication in the Medical Labora        | tory 3  |
| MLS 590 | Project Development                                     | 1       |
| MLS 997 | Independent Study                                       | 2       |

#### CORE COURSES

Three Core Courses are required for degree completion. Additional Core Courses taken beyond the requirement are counted as Elective Courses.

| Code                   | Title                                      | Credits |  |
|------------------------|--|---------|--|
| Choose at least three: |  |         |  |
| MLS 502                | Advanced Clinical Hematology: Erythrocytes | 3       |  |
| MLS 503                | Advanced Clinical Hematology: Leukocytes   | 3       |  |
| MLS 506                | Advanced Clinical Chemistry                | 3       |  |
| MLS 507                | Advanced Clinical Immunohematology         | 3       |  |
| MLS 513                | Advanced Clinical Immunology               | 3       |  |
| MLS 518                | Advanced Molecular Diagnostics             | 3       |  |
| MLS 522                | Advanced Clinical Bacteriology             | 3       |  |

| MLS 523 | Advanced Non-Bacterial Microbiology | 3 |
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| MLS 526 | Advanced Clinical Hemostasis        | 3 |

#### LEADERSHIP COURSES

One Leadership Course is required for degree completion. Additional Leadership Courses taken beyond the requirement are counted as Elective Courses.

| Code           | Title Cree  | dits |
|----------------|---|------|
| Choose at leas | t one:  |      |
| MLS 530        | Medical Laboratory Leadership: Principles Practice    | 1    |
| MLS 531        | Medical Laboratory Leadership: Practical Applications | 1    |
| MLS 532        | Medical Laboratory Leadership: Conflict Resolution    | 1    |

#### ELECTIVE COURSES

Select from available Elective Courses to reach the total credits required for degree completion. Note that any Core or Leadership Course taken beyond the requirement will be counted as an Elective Course.

| Code    | Title Cre  | dits |
|---------|--|------|
| MLS 501 | Advanced Laboratory Practice: Technical Concepts           | 3    |
| MLS 505 | Advanced Laboratory Practice: Financial Management         | 3    |
| MLS 509 | Medical Laboratory Education: Teaching Principles          | 3    |
| MLS 516 | Special Topics in Medical Laboratory Science               | 1-4  |
| MLS 517 | Advanced Laboratory Practice: Administrative<br>Concepts   | 3    |
| MLS 527 | Medical Laboratory Education: Assessment and Accreditation | 3    |
| MLS 589 | Readings in Medical Laboratory Science                     | 1    |
| MLS 590 | Project Development  | 1    |
| MLS 591 | Directed Study in Laboratory Medicine                      | 1-6  |