

## Florida Institute of Ultrasound, Inc.

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## **COVID-19 VACCINE**

Florida Institute of Ultrasound, Inc.'s (FIU) Diagnostic Medical Sonography program is licensed as a one year continuous program. Unlike traditional colleges/universities, our students cannot start/stop the program or pick and choose when they take classes.

At this time, the school does not have a COVID-19 vaccination requirement. Students complete clinical rotations at various clinical sites and students are subject to those clinical site vaccination requirements. We currently have clinical sites that require the COVID-19 vaccine for our students. The decision regarding exemptions will be determined by the respective clinical site facility requiring the COVID-19 vaccine.

As clinical rotations are a requirement to graduate, if a student elects not to receive the vaccine and is waiting on a medical and/or religious exemption approval or setting up their own clinical site and the approval is not received prior to the start of clinicals, the school has no option but to drop the student. Students attend up to four (4) clinical sites throughout the program. If an exemption is received for one clinical site, there is no guarantee that a student will receive exemptions at other sites. There is also no guarantee the exemption the student has will still be valid if they were to return to that site for another clinical rotation.

Due to the rapidly changing healthcare environment, further information may be received regarding clinical site vaccination requirements. FIU continues to monitor clinical requirements and will reevaluate and update the schools' requirements.