



Statement of Support

For Weber State Clinical Laboratory Sciences Distance Learning
Program

(Part of CLS/CLT/CLA Online Application)

Prospective Online Student: _____

Program of Interest: CLA (certificate) _____ AAS (2 yr.) _____ BS (4 yr) _____

Facility Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

The information below is to be filled out by the laboratory manager:

Please indicate on-site departments: (all departments do not need to be present, however student is responsible for finding a site to sponsor them if employment facility can not support)

Phlebotomy(CLA/A.A.S.) _____ Chemistry(A.A.S./B.S.) _____

Hematology(CLA/A.A.S./B.S.) _____ Blood Bank(A.A.S./B.S.) _____

Microbiology(A.A.S./B.S.) _____ UA/Serology(CLA/A.A.S.) _____

Other/Specify: _____

Laboratory Accreditation: (CAP, JCAHO, COLA, CLIA, other) specify other _____

The aforementioned individual has expressed a great interest in participating in the Weber State University Clinical Laboratory Science Distance Learning Program. This program, which is accredited by NAACLS allows a valued employee the opportunity to further their educational status and obtain national certification required for different levels of laboratory work. WSU is accredited by Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities.

I understand that the didactic component of this program will be delivered utilizing Vista WebCT delivery format. Access to WebCT is virtually 24/7. Coursework will be completed according to the timeline included in each course syllabus. Students must complete a class within the semester timeframe. It is during the semester timeframe and while the student is registered for a particular class that the laboratory component will be fulfilled. The student will be expected to spend an average number of hours in the department working with a

qualified mentor in order to complete the competency checklist for those classes that require a laboratory component (some B.S. level classes are project based). I also understand that the laboratory component of the program must be completed at the student's work facility or other approved clinical site. For this to take place, the assistance of a mentor or other facilitator is required. The facilitator will **not** serve as a full-time clinical instructor, but should be available to answer questions, evaluate core laboratory competencies, and give valuable assistance as needed. Various mentors may be utilized dependent upon the organization and size of your facility. Dependent on the applicant's skill level and work experience the time involved for mentors will vary for each course.

It is also my understanding that students enrolled in this program may (dependent on the program of choice) complete various projects emphasizing workload recording, test method validation, procedure manual evaluation, CAP and CLIA requirements, and instrument selection. To complete these projects, our employee will need access to procedure manuals, laboratory data, instrument validation data, and on occasion utilize laboratory instruments from our facility. Students should not work on these projects as a part of their regular work duties. The required course competencies are located on the WSU website (<http://weber.edu/cls>) and can be viewed at any time.

It is my understanding that prior to being accepted into a WSU Clinical Laboratory Sciences Distance Learning Program the student must obtain a statement of support indicating the employer understands this responsibility.

Laboratory Manager Signature

Your signature above indicates your willingness to provide the required support for your employee to participate in this innovative program.

Laboratory Manager/Supervisor (please print/type) Date: _____

Laboratory Manager: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone Number: _____

Facility Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Any questions please contact:

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