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| **Course Credit:** | 2 Credits |
| **Time and Location:** | Thursday: Class 2:00-4:00pm NURS Rm 120 |
| **Instructor:** | Chelsie Wheatley, BSRS, BSDMS, RT(R), RDMS, RVT |
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**Overview:** This course will cover an introduction of sonographic anatomy and scanning procedures of the vascular system. This class will provide a fundamental presentation of topics that are important for students to master to become competent sonographers. Emphasis will be placed on pathology, various disease processes, and their sonographic appearance in the areas of peripheral arteries, veins, and abdominal vasculature. Study of these things will enable the student sonographer to understand and use this knowledge in a clinical setting.

In this course, students will be instructed in hemodynamics, the role of ultrasound in vascular pathology, normal and collateral pathways, carotid artery assessment, vertebral artery assessment, risk factors and the role of ultrasound in the management of extremity venous disease, extremity venous anatomy and ultrasound techniques, diagnosis of deep venous thrombosis, diagnosis of venous insufficiency, non-imaging physiologic tests for assessment of lower extremity arterial disease, assessment of arterial occlusive disease, ultrasound evaluation before and after hemodialysis access, Doppler signatures of abdominal vessels, and the assessment of native renal vessels. These practices will help the students to begin preparation for the ARDMS Registered Vascular Technologist (RVT) examination.

**Textbooks: Pellerito, Polak.** *Introduction to Vascular Sonography.* 7th Edition. Philadelphia, PA: Elsevier; 2020. ISBN 978-0-323-42882-8

**Method of Presentation:**  Lecture, PowerPoint, Handouts, Workbook, SonoSim, Moodle Supplement

**Code of Ethics:** DMS 4416 adheres to the ISU Code of Conduct.  In particular, academic dishonesty, however small, creates a breach in academic integrity.  A student's participation in this course comes with the expectation that his or her work will be completed in full observance of the ISU Code of Student Conduct.

**Course Learning Objectives/Goals:** This course has been designed to prepare student sonographers for the responsibilities and understanding of vascular sonographic imaging. The student will learn the peripheral arterial and venous systems, abdominal vasculature, carotid artery sonography, normal sonographic appearances of all of the above as well as pathologies. They will be taught non-physiologic testing for the assessment of lower extremity arterial disease and be competent in the assessment of deep vein thrombosis and arteriovenous fistulae. The students will learn the sonographic techniques, normal and pathologic findings of native renal vessels as well. At the conclusion of the course, students will demonstrate knowledge of each item listed above. Ultimately, the student will gain a better understanding of the process involved in obtaining a quality vascular sonographic exam. This classroom understanding prepares the student for the corresponding laboratory and clinical experience.

**Course Learning Outcomes:** Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

* Describe physiologic factors governing blood flow and its characteristics
* Explain pulsatile pressure and flow changes in the arterial system
* List the pulsatile wave patterns and define each
* Discuss the effects of arterial obstruction
* Describe venous hemodynamics
* Explain Doppler spectrum analysis and identify normal vs abnormal waveforms
* Identify veins and arteries sonographically and discuss the differences of each
* Explain sonographic characteristics and techniques involved in imaging and assessing for deep venous thrombosis in the upper and lower extremities
* Describe indications for arterial duplex studies of the lower extremities
* List the differences of clinical symptoms between arterial stenoses/occlusions vs venous insufficiency
* Know the anatomy and physiology of the carotid arterial system, the upper extremity vascular system, and the lower extremity vascular system
* Discuss the protocols for upper extremity venous and arterial exams
* Explain the protocols for lower extremity venous and arterial exams
* List the indications for Ankle Brachial Index studies
* Explain the role of the sonographer in vascular imaging
* Describe pathologic findings of the Carotid Arterial system
* Define atherosclerosis and identify the sonographic findings of it
* Discuss the protocols used for scanning arteriovenous fistulas for hemodialysis access
* Identify native vessels vs stents vs grafts sonographically
* Describe the sonographic techniques of renal vessel exams and be able to identify normal vs pathologic findings
* Identify normal doppler signatures of abdominal vessels
* Know how to evaluate vertebral arteries and describe subclavian steal

**Academic Dishonesty Policy:**

Academic dishonesty (cheating, plagiarism, etc.) will not be tolerated in this class and may result in suspension or dismissal from this course and from the program. Cases will also be referred to the Dean of Students for possible dismissal from the university.

Cheating includes, but is not limited to, (1) use of any unauthorized assistance in taking quizzes, tests, or examinations; (2) dependence upon the aid of sources beyond those authorized by the instructor in writing papers, preparing reports, solving problems, or completing other assignments; or (3) the acquisition of tests or other academic materials belonging to the university faculty or staff without permission.

Plagiarism includes, but is not limited to, the use of, by paraphrase or direct quotation without correct recognition, the published or unpublished works of another person. The use of materials generated by agencies engaged in "selling" term papers is also plagiarism.

Many components of DMS 4416 are designed to be highly interactive.  Students are encouraged to take full advantage of the many resources available including Internet sites, handouts and workbooks, other textbooks and journals, faculty, and peers. This interactive collegial learning environment is conducive for life-long learning.

***What does this mean:***  I have allowed ‘printed material’ from the Web site to be available to the student.  This can present problems if not used properly.  Material from quizzes and tests should be used for your OWN study endeavors. Additionally, tests cannot be reviewed after they have been taken except in my presence. Failure to follow these instructions will result in a failure of the course.

***When students submit their efforts for grading, they are attesting that they have abided by these rules.***

**Classroom Procedure:**

1.  **Attendance:**  You are expected to attend class regularly.  It is your responsibility to maintain a level of attendance which will allow you to derive maximum benefit from the instruction.  Excessive absences (>10%) will result in a lower course grade if you are borderline between two grades.  Conversely, if you have good attendance and are border line between two grades, I will award the higher grade.

2.  **Grading Procedure:**

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| **Assessment Method** | **Percentage Value** |
| Test #1 = Chapters 1,3-9 | 20% |
| Test #2 = Chapters 18-21, Upper Extremity Thrombosis | 20% |
| Test #3 = Chapters 11-15 | 20% |
| Cumulative Final  | 30% |
| Article Quizzes (2) | 10% |
| Total | 100% |

**This grading Scale will be used:**

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| +/- System |  |
| 93-100% A | 73-76% C |
| 90-92% A- | 70-72% C- |
| 87-89% B+ | 67-69% D+ |
| 83-86% B | 63-66% D |
| 80-82% B- | 60-62% D- |
| 77-79% C+ | 59% Below F |

*Note: A grade of C or better is required in this course in order to receive a degree from the Department of Radiographic Science.*

The minimum requirements to earn a passing grade are successful completion of all tests (70% minimum).  Tests and Quizzes will be a combination of either written or computer based.  Tests will be scheduled to be taken in a computer lab on campus.  The lab in the nursing building on the ground floor is the lab I try to schedule for tests; however, the Turner Lab is close to our classroom, and is the one I will try to schedule if the nursing building lab is not available. It is the student’s responsibility to know when and where tests are scheduled.  Dates are posted in the Web Course Calendar and reminders will be given in class.  Students may use their own wireless laptops if they have one if tests are given in class; otherwise, students are required to use a lab computer when testing.

3. **Computer Account:** All students are required to have an ISU student computer account.  There is no fee required for this account. Obtain the account at the Computer Center, which is located in the basement of the College of Business Building or in the Rendezvous Lab.

4.  **Make-up:** If you are unable to sit for an examination, you may request a make-up exam.  You must inform me that you will not be present for the examination **prior** to the scheduled time.  An additional 10% drop in the test grade will result if prior notification is not given and is not accepted by me prior to taking the test.  The highest grade you can receive for a make-up exam is 89% unless you provide me with an acceptable excuse. An acceptable excuse is defined **as very** sick; a death in the immediate family; some unforeseen circumstance that would prohibit you from taking the exam. The key is to communicate with me directly via email, phone, or in person. Do not speak to another faculty member or the department secretary. I’m very easy to catch with email, but make sure your email is received by me prior to the test deadline.

*In addition, it is a requirement to take all tests offered during the semester.  An incomplete will be issued for the class if a test is not taken.*

**Cell phone policy:** Cell phones should not be used in class. They should be place in silent or vibrating mode or turned off. Additionally receiving and retrieving text messages should not occur during class or in labs. Failure to follow this policy will result in a deduction of grade up to 10% at the discretion of the instructor. If you need to communicate to someone outside of the class in an emergency situation please inform the instructor so accommodations to this policy may be made.

**Disability Services:** Students with disabilities who wish to have accommodations provided by the University must self-identify with Disability Services (236-3599) in order to have accommodations provided. Information and applications are available in the Center and may be picked up in person or requested by telephone. The URL is <http://www.isu.edu/ada4isu/>

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