



Medical Laboratory Science FAQs

What is Medical Laboratory Science (MLS)?

- The study of hematology, clinical chemistry, clinical microbiology, immunology, and transfusion medicine.
- MLS professionals provide physicians with data to diagnose diseases. It is estimated that 70-80% of a physician's medical decisions on any one patient are a direct result of laboratory test data.
- To practice as a licensed MLS, one must complete the AUM program, which is accredited by the National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Science (NAACLS).
- Students take a national board exam from the American Society for Clinical Pathology Board of Certification (ASCP BOC) following graduation.
- Students earn a bachelor's of Medical Laboratory Science.
- Jobs are available in hospitals, laboratories, forensic science, etc.

Why should I choose AUM's Medical Laboratory Science Program?

- It is one of two undergraduate programs in the State of Alabama.
- AUM students obtain the required 24 weeks of clinical training and experience through affiliated hospitals and reference laboratories.
- After graduation, students are qualified to work in hospital laboratories, reference laboratories, forensic science, doctor's offices, graduate school, and others.
- 100% employment rate.
- Individualized approach to teaching-learning and advisement.

How do I enroll in AUM's Medical Laboratory Science Program?

- At least 50 hours of core curriculum coursework should be completed, especially math and science related courses before completing the application
- Students should spend their junior and senior years completing MLS coursework.
- GPA requirement of 2.00.
- Applications are due March 1 - June 15th; No application fee.
- For more information and the admission application, please visit our website: <https://www.aum.edu/medical-laboratory-science/>

Who should I contact if I have questions or need more information?

- Please contact Peyton Guri at pbuchana@aum.edu or 334-244-3790

Note: All academic programs in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences are professional limited access programs. Students must apply to each desired individual program. Students must be currently enrolled at AUM or have documentation of acceptance by the Admissions Office.