Career Outlook: Medical Laboratory Science

Medical Laboratory Science Programs Available at Bemidji State University:

- Major: Medical Laboratory Science (B.S.)

Department Website: https://www.bemidjistate.edu/academics/departments/biology/courses-programs/medical-laboratory-science-b-s/

EMPLOYMENT AREAS AND PROJECTED DEMAND:
The "Occupational Outlook Handbook" (OOH) reports that medical and clinical laboratory technologists and technicians held about 329,200 jobs in 2021. The majority (45%) of medical laboratory technologists and technicians were employed in hospitals; 22% worked in medical and diagnostic laboratories; 10% worked in offices of physicians; and 5% worked in colleges, universities, and professional schools.

OOH reports that the nationwide demand for medical technologists is expected to grow 7% (As fast as average) through 2031, with people established in their career generally earning between $30,280 and $79,340 per year with the median pay of $57,800 in May 2021.

PLACEMENT INFORMATION FOR MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE GRADUATES:
There are many career opportunities for Bemidji State University Medical Laboratory Science graduates. Of the 2 Bemidji State University 2020-2021 Medical Laboratory Science graduates, 100% reported obtaining employment within one year of graduation. This does not include students who were not seeking employment, continuing their education, unavailable, or had unknown status.

PARTIAL LIST OF EMPLOYERS WHO HAVE REPORTED HIRING BSU MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE GRADUATES: *
(This list includes employment within one year of graduation for the years 2018-2021)

- Cass Lake Indian Health Services, Medical Technologist, Cass Lake, MN
- Essentia Health, Medical Technologist, Duluth, MN
- Fairview Health Services, Medical Lab Scientist, St. Paul, MN
- Grand Itasca Clinic and Hospital, Medical Laboratory Scientist, Grand Rapids, MN
- Lake Region Healthcare, Medical Laboratory Scientist, Fergus Falls, MN
- Mayo Clinic, Medical Technologist, Austin, MN
- Minneapolis VA Health Care System, Technologist, Minneapolis, MN
- Northwest Indian CDC, Data Entry Specialist, Bemidji, MN
- Olmsted Medical Center, Medical Technologist, Rochester, MN
- St. Joseph’s Medical Center, Medical Laboratory Scientist, Brainerd, MN

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES BSU MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE GRADUATES HAVE GONE TO CONTINUE THEIR EDUCATION (2019):
- University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND

*Degrees alone do not get students jobs. Internships, summer jobs, volunteer work, part-time jobs, work-study positions, and active participation in student organizations on campus are all ways to become more competitive in a tight job market.

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For more information, contact Career Services; Decker Hall/218-755-2038/career@bemidjistate.edu

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https://www.bemidjistate.edu/services/career/events-guides-resources/job-listings/