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## Cardiac Sonography (Echocardiography) (DCS) Shadow Experience Form

Thank you for your interest in the Cardiac Sonography (Echocardiography) (DCS) Program. We appreciate your considering Allen College for your future education.

Applicants for the DCS program are required to complete a minimum of two (2) hours shadowing an echocardiographer in a healthcare facility. This experience must be satisfied prior to application review.

### Directions:

1. Contact a medical facility and request to observe in the Cardiac Sonography (Echocardiography) Department.
2. Have the Echocardiographer sign the verification form in Section 1.
3. After completing the observation, answer all the observation reflection questions in Section 2 and return this form to Allen College Admissions at [admissions@allencollege.edu](mailto:admissions@allencollege.edu)

### Section 1: Observation Experience

#### Instructions:

Please complete information below, present or email it to the sonographer at your shadowing experience for verification.

Applicant Name	
Date(s) of Experience	
Name of Facility & Location	
Hours of observation completed	
Applicant Signature	

#### Verification:

I certify that the above-named applicant has completed the shadowing experience hours as listed above.

Echocardiographer Name	
Title	
Date	
Echocardiographer Signature	

Questions?

Contact (319) 226-2014 or [admissions@allencollege.edu](mailto:admissions@allencollege.edu)

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### Section 2: Observation Reflection

After completing the observation, answer the following observation questions.

1. What types of exams did you observe?

2. What did the echocardiographer like most about their job?

3. What did the echocardiographer like least about their job?

4. What aspect of the observation experience did you find most interesting

5. What did you enjoy most about your visit?

6. After your observation, do you think this is the career for you and WHY?

7. Do you have any questions about a career in cardiac sonography?

8. Why do you want to become an echocardiographer?

