

MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE

MAJOR MAP 2024



	GETTING STARTED	MAKING PROGRESS	MAKING PROGRESS	PREPARING FOR WHAT'S NEXT
YOUR COURSE JOURNEY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enroll in MLS 125: Intro to Medical Laboratory Sciences Enroll in HSW 100: Student Success in Health Sciences and Wellness Explore the foundation of MLS through the intro biology and chemistry courses Establish a 4-year plan with a SHSW adviser 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decide on an emphasis: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cytotechnology Histotechnology Medical Technology Consider a chemistry minor Apply and interview for acceptance into the MLS program during spring of second year 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Register for core MLS courses Apply and interview for 6- or 9-month clinical practicum site at affiliated hospital Take MLS prep courses needed for Clinical Practicum the summer before senior year 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete Practicum credits at partnering institution for final two semesters All Histotechnology students complete practicum at Marshfield Clinic in Marshfield, WI All Cytotechnology students complete practicum at UW-Madison in Madison, WI Apply for graduation
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ask your adviser about MLS major Attend majors meeting for MLS Reach out to MLS instructors about the profession Tour a MLS program affiliated hospital laboratory Ask for help from the Tutoring: Learning Center (TLC) and your professors if you wish to improve in your courses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider applying to the Health Scholars Program Explore and apply for SHSW Scholarships Attend majors meeting for MLS Tour a MLS program affiliated hospital laboratory 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend majors meeting for MLS Become a student member of the American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science (ASCLS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend majors meeting for MLS if able Renew ASCLS Student Membership Participate in ASCLS- WI Student Bowl
ACT LOCALLY AND GLOBALLY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Join a university club or the Health Careers Organization Explore and apply for MLS scholarships Establish healthy study habits Engage with activities and opportunities through the School of Health Science and Wellness Student Success Center 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore and apply for MLS scholarships through SHSW and other organizations Get involved in spreading the MLS major at College Day for Kids, STEAM Point Days and Upward Bound workshops 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend one day of ASCLS-WI state convention Think of different ways to gain experience not only in MLS but also in communication, writing and professionalism skills 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Present capstone project on campus Present your poster (research, case study or literature review) at ASCLS- WI state convention
CAREER READINESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Talk to adviser and MLS faculty about careers and tracks of study in MLS Create a college resume Complete your Handshake profile Learn about and practice networking by attending a Networking Workshop or the All-Major Career and Internship Fair 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore requirements for full-time MLS positions Look into being a lab assistant at Student Health Service (SHS) on campus or working in the MLS department Reach out to MLS instructors about the profession Conduct an informational interview or job shadow with someone who works in a field of interest 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Talk with MLS faculty about networking, work experience opportunities, and clinical practicum affiliates Revise/update a cover letter and resume Attend an Interviewing Workshop; seek additional interview preparation tools Talk with mentors about your next steps; if considering graduate school, research your options and understand the application timeline 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prepare for Board Certification Exam Consider memberships for MLS professional organizations, including ASCLS Create a portfolio to bring to job interviews and solidify references Look in to continuing education requirements and resources Meet with your major's Career Coach to work through stuck points

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- Medical Technologist
 - Clinical Laboratory Manger
 - Cyto-technologist
 - Medical Lab Sales
 - Clinical Research Associate
 - Histo-technologist
 - Laboratory Director
 - Cytology Lab Manger
- and many more!**

AVAILABLE ONLINE

Major Map documents are available online with additional information!

The staff and faculty at the University of Wisconsin Stevens Point want to help you craft your personal journey. Use this map as a jumping off point for conversations about your goals.

