

Criminal Background Check

All accepted applicants are required to complete and successfully pass a physical examination, criminal background check, and drug screening. Fee schedules may be found on our web site under “Tuition & Fees.” If a discrepancy arises between the subject’s submitted documentation and the verified information, the subject may be disqualified as an accepted/enrolled student. The Sovah School of Health Professions may not accept any subject identified as an “Ineligible Person.” Ineligible person is defined as any individual or entity who is currently excluded, suspended, debarred or otherwise ineligible to participate in the Federal healthcare programs; or has been convicted of a criminal offense related to the provision of health care items or services and has not been reinstated in the Federal health care programs after a period of exclusion, suspension, debarment, or ineligibility, or any individual or entity currently excluded on a state exclusion list.

In making program acceptance decisions, the program relies on the accuracy of information contained in the application, background check authorization, post-offer physical examination, and other data presented during the acceptance process. Any misrepresentations, falsifications, or material omissions of any submitted data may result in automatic dismissal from the accepted program.

The Board of Health Professions and/or the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists and/or the American Registry of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers “may refuse to admit a candidate to any examination or may refuse to issue a license or certificate to any applicant” based on a number of both criminal and/or unprofessional conduct reasons.

A failed background screen could result from the items listed below (Additional items that may require an Ethics Review can found by accessing the links below).

- Misdemeanor or felony charges or convictions
- Military courts-martial
- Disciplinary actions taken by a state or federal regulatory authority or certification board
- Serious honor code violations

Any student dismissed due to a failed background screening is required to request an ethics review process from the ARRT or ARDMS to be considered for readmission. The ethics review process can take a significant amount of time. The dismissed student, after receiving approval from the ethics committee, may be considered for readmission. The dismissed student must re-complete the entire application process to be considered for enrollment the following year, and a copy of the Ethics Review Committee decision must be submitted with the completed application. However, acceptance/re-admission is not guaranteed.

Information and/or questions related to the ARRT and/or ARDMS Ethics Review Pre-Application processes can be found by accessing the links below:

<https://www.arrrt.org/pages/earn-arrrt-credentials/initial-requirements/ethics/ethics-review-preapplication>

<https://www.ardms.org/compliance-predetermination-application/>