Dear Marj,

Thank you for your interest in Kirtland Community College. We offer many degree and certificate programs, as well as specialized training, for those planning to enter the workforce or transfer to another college or university. We are prepared to help you achieve your educational goals. Kirtland has a diverse population, both among our students and employees. You will find many people your own age, with similar life circumstances and educational goals. More than 3,200 students find their fit at Kirtland each year. We’re confident you will, too. This brochure addresses topics that you indicated are of interest to you. We encourage you to investigate Kirtland further and contact us with any questions. Please call 989-275-5000, extension 284, or e-mail us at admissions@kirtland.edu. We also invite you to visit our campus. Go to www.kirtland.edu/why-kirtland to get started on your path to your future.

**ADMISSIONS**

Admission to the college is free and an application may be completed at any time. Our admissions pages, www.kirtland.edu/admissions, is an excellent launching pad to learn all there is to know about Kirtland. We also require new students to participate in an orientation session prior to attending Kirtland. For more information on the exact steps you must follow to get started, visit www.kirtland.edu/admissions, contact the Admissions Office at 989-275-5000, extension 284, or e-mail us at admissions@kirtland.edu.

**FINANCIAL AID**

Kirtland participates in most federal and state financial aid programs, as well as privately-funded and college-funded programs. There are four types of financial aid: grants, scholarships, student employment and loans. Money is available. You just have to apply to receive it. To learn more about financial aid and/or apply for financial aid, go to our website at www.kirtland.edu/paying-for-college, e-mail finaid@kirtland.edu or call us at 989-275-5000, extension 257. Our financial experts in Student Financial Services are available to answer all of your financial aid questions.
Health Sciences - Cardiac Sonography

**Want to join the fight against heart disease?**

**Become an expert in cardiac sonography.**

You will be able to choose a job in one of the fastest growing segments in health sciences when you complete Kirtland’s Cardiac Sonography program at the M-TEC site in Gaylord. You likely will be able to find a job in your field regardless of where you live throughout your lifetime.

Jobs in the sonography field are expected to grow by 19 percent through 2016. Median annual earnings for medical sonographers were reported to be $57,160 in 2006, according to federal jobs statistics. Additional growth is expected in the field as sonography becomes a viable alternative to other imaging technologies.

Cardiac sonography uses ultrasound imaging to examine the heart and diagnose life-threatening illnesses or conditions. It is performed by sonographers trained in identifying visual and auditory symptoms or irregularities of the heart.

As a medical professional specializing in cardiovascular care, you may find yourself using your skills in a hospital, physician’s office, laboratory or educational institution.

As a graduate of KCC’s Cardiac Sonography program you may be eligible to apply to the American Registry of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers (ARDMS) or the Cardiovascular Credentialing International (CCI) to obtain your registry.

Kirtland’s two-year associate in applied science program focuses on cardiac sonography, providing you with intensive training in ultrasound to examine the heart. You’ll emerge from Kirtland’s concentrated instruction with in-depth knowledge and expertise in working with the heart, and better prepared to join the charge against heart disease.

KCC first-rate Cardiac Sonography program will give you what you need to develop expertise in diagnosing heart disease before it claims another life.

**RELATED PROGRAMS INCLUDE:**

- **Associate in Applied Science degrees**
  - Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) (Roscommon)
  - Cardiac Sonography (Gaylord)
  - Health Information Technology (online)

- **Certificates**
  - Pharmacy Technology (Roscommon)
  - Practical Nursing (PN) (Roscommon)
  - Surgical Technology (West Branch)

- **Other**
  - Certified Nursing Assistant Course (Roscommon, Gaylord and Tawas IRESA Center)
  - Phlebotomy Technician Course (Roscommon)

To view detailed program guides for all degrees go to: [www.kirtland.edu/academic-programs](http://www.kirtland.edu/academic-programs)
Online Programs

Kirtland offers a wide selection of online learning opportunities to prepare you for success in a variety of high-pay, high-demand careers. Whether you want to enhance your current skills or are looking for a new career, our online courses and degrees provide the flexibility and convenience you need to reach your goals. We know you’re busy. Online learning at Kirtland can help you balance work and family. Plus, you’ll save time and money by eliminating drive time and extra transportation costs. Achieve your educational goals faster. Check out Kirtland’s online courses, programs and degrees today at www.kirtland.edu/online-learning!

Cost of Attending Kirtland

Kirtland Community College, with locations near Roscommon and West Branch, and the M-TEC at Kirtland-Gaylord offer academic excellence at an affordable price. The cost of obtaining an associate’s degree – about 62 credit hours – from Kirtland is about a third of the cost attending two years of classes at most state colleges and universities for in-district students. Out-of-district and international students are subject to different tuition rates. For more information or for up-to-date tuition rates, visit www.kirtland.edu/paying-for-college or call 989-275-5000, extension 238. Depending on the class, there may also be additional course fees.

Academic Advising

We can all use a little help to make sure we’re headed in the right direction. The academic advisers and support staff at Kirtland Community College are ready, willing and able to use their years of training to assist students in deciding upon and implementing their educational and career goals by focusing on student learning and personal development. Students receive assistance in clarifying life and career goals, selecting appropriate courses and educational experiences while at Kirtland, to evaluate progress toward earning a certificate or degree, as well as interpreting and understanding the college’s various academic requirements and policies. For a list of academic advisers, visit online at www.kirtland.edu/academic-advising or for more information call 989-275-5000, extension 280.
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