CYTOTECHNOLOGY PROGRAM
(AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE MEMPHIS)

Cytotechnology is the microscopic study of cells which have been shed, scraped, or aspirated from body tissues. These laboratory professionals prepare samples for examination by using staining techniques which make the specimen more visible. Cytotechnologists are trained to recognize minute abnormalities in the color, size, and shape of the cell structures making them the first to determine the presence or absence of abnormal or malignant cells.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS AND PREREQUISITES FOR UT MEMPHIS:

UT Memphis Requirements and Prerequisites	Corresponding FHU Courses	Total Hours
English Composition & Literature	ENG101, 102, and either Literature or COM140 or 240	9
General Biology I & II	BIO111 & 112	8
Upper Level Biology	BIO311 or higher*	15
General Chemistry I and II	CHE121/121L & 122/122L	8
Mathematics	MAT101 or MAT235	3
Social Sciences	Courses in Psychology, Sociology, History** (HIS221 or 222), Philosophy, Political Science, etc.	12
Electives (See classes listed below)		30
Total Semester Hour Credits		**85**

RECOMMENDED COURSES INCLUDE:

*Histology, Cell Biology, Genetics, Anatomy and Physiology, Microbiology, and Immunology.
****Students must complete one year of American History (HIS 221 or 222).**

IS A DEGREE REQUIRED? ____ YES ___X____NO

Students are admitted to the cytotechnology program after they have completed three years (85 hours) of specified academic work at an accredited university. The professional program at UT is two years in length and leads to a Master of Cytopathology Practice.

IS CLINICAL EXPERIENCE REQUIRED OR HELPFUL? No

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

Early: January 30
Regular: April 1
Late: July 1

AVERAGE GPA OF LAST ENTERING CLASS: 3.27

Applicants must have a minimum overall grade point average of 3.0 **or** a minimum overall average of 2.5 with a satisfactory score on the Graduate Record Exam (GRE). Applicants must meet the minimum technical standards or essential skills necessary for the professional practice of cytotechnology. Copies of these standards are available upon request from UT Memphis School of Allied Health.