

# BSMITS DAO MISSION

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## Program Mission & Description

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The mission of the BSMITS Degree Advancement Option (DAO) is to provide medical imaging and therapeutic science professionals who have completed an accredited radiography, radiation therapy, sonography, or nuclear medicine technology program the opportunity to advance their education and professional goals.

Qualified candidates are mentored by a faculty advisor who works with students to develop an Individual Program of Study for degree completion. The Program of Study includes a core of required management and education courses along with a selection of medical imaging and therapeutic science courses tailored to students' clinical and educational background along with their professional goals.

A minimum of 20 semester hours of coursework from UNMC must be completed to qualify for degree completion. Students must earn a minimum of 120 total semester hours of college credit to be eligible to graduate from UNMC; therefore, additional coursework may be required. Students are allowed up to five years to complete the degree advancement option; however, it is possible to complete the program in three semesters.

The program is completely online, and classes are available through a variety of distance learning technologies. Students are required to write papers, complete projects, conduct research, communicate with professors and students online, work independently on assignments and with coworkers on group projects, present case studies, and complete quizzes and exams.