Criminal Records Check and Vulnerable Sector Screening (VSS)

FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

The following policy applies to all Schools/Programs in the Faculty of Health Sciences.

Faculty of Health Sciences: Records Check and Vulnerable Sector Screening

The University of Western Ontario does not require a Criminal Records Check or other screening procedure (e.g., Vulnerable Sector Screen {VSS}) as a condition of admission into its programs in the Faculty of Health Sciences. However, prospective students should be aware that a criminal records check or VSS may be required by other facilities used for clinical or co-op placements or experiences related to an academic course assignment. It is the **student's responsibility** to have the necessary procedure completed. In some programs students **will not be permitted access** to such courses without having completed this requirement.

Students will share VSS or record check information directly with the facility or agency for which they have been assigned a placement and may, if they wish, disclose results to their School or Program. Students unable to complete a clinical requirement of their program because they are unable to meet a facility's requirement for such a screening, or because a facility refuses to accept them on the basis of the information contained in the record check or other screening procedure, **will not be eligible for**

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