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Ferris receives equipment from Mecosta County General Hospital

BIG RAPIDS – Ferris State University’s College of Allied Health Sciences recently received an ultrasound unit for its Diagnostic Medical Sonography (DMS) program from Mecosta County General Hospital (MCGH).

The HDI Ultrasound Imager, which was provided to the University at an educational rate, includes a thermal printer and two transducers. The equipment will enable students to conduct both abdominal and cardiac ultrasound studies, according to Michelle Weemaes, DMS program coordinator.

“Obtaining this equipment from MCGH allows us to maintain a state-of-the-art equipped lab so that instruction delivered stays abreast of industry standards,” said Jacqueline Hooper, dean of Allied Health Sciences. “This optimally prepares students for internship, the registry exam and entry-level employment.”

The Ferris DMS program is a unique offering. Students spend the first year on campus and receive a combination of lecture and hands-on experiences. Lab instruction is delivered on modern equipment. Through the combination of lab and lecture instruction, students acquire essential knowledge and skill competencies prior to going out to internships.

At the completion of the first year, students have accrued substantial scanning experience. As a result, they are very prepared for the second year of instruction which consists of a three-semester internship in a health care facility.

Pictured with the equipment are Netty Cove, chief clinical officer for MCGH, Weemaes and Hooper.