**Background Checks**

All students entering the professional phase of the program must complete a background check prior to entering the professional phase of the program and additionally if necessary.

St. John’s University currently uses a Compliance Services Management System online portal as part of the procedures for processing criminal background checks on all students. St. John’s University has contracted with Corporate Screening to conduct these background checks utilizing an on-line process (directions and deadlines regarding the online process are provided to students upon progression into the professional phase of the program). **Students are required to complete all background checks through Corporate Screening using the compliance services management system online portal regardless of the possibility of having a previous background check performed.**

It is the student’s responsibility to submit the required information correctly online and to pay the required fee in order to conduct this background check. If this is not completed in a timely fashion, the student’s continuation in the professional phase may be delayed.

Student questions pertaining to background checks must be directed to the Associate Dean for Health Sciences Programs located in the Office of the Dean, St. Albert Hall Room 171.

All such information is kept in strict confidentiality.