

Los Angeles City College 2024 Radiologic Technology Program Brochure



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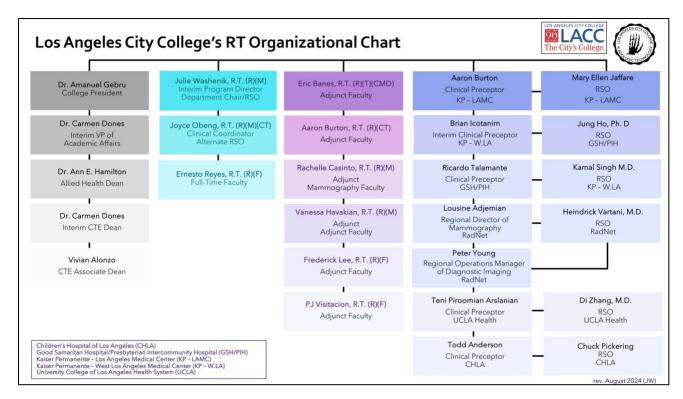
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Introduction

Thank you for your interest in the Radiologic Technology Program. This document aims to provide you with information about the Los Angeles City College Radiologic Technology Program. The LACC Radiologic Technology program began with classes in 1958.

Mission Statement

The mission of the Radiologic Technology program at Los Angeles City College is to provide an accessible and equitable learning environment to promote our radiologic technology students with the technical and interpersonal skills necessary to provide our diverse local and global communities with high-quality diagnostic medical images and patient care as professional diagnostic medical radiographer.

Vision Statement

Transforming our students and graduates with effective skills and opportunities to grow in all innovative modalities of medical imaging to serve our communities.

Core Values

In carrying our mission, vision, and goals, we maintain our core values of

- Compassionate Caregivers
- Excellence in Quality



- Inclusivity Collegiality and Collaboration
- Commitment to Integrity and Accountability

Program Goals and Student Learning Outcomes

<u>Goal 1</u>: Prepare students to be ethical, professional, and clinically competent entry-level Radiologic Technologists.

Student Learning Outcomes:

- Students will perform routine radiographic examinations.
- Students will possess knowledge of radiographic procedures and patient care.
- Students will employ radiation protection to patients, themselves and others.
- Students will use ethical practices in health care delivery.

<u>Goal 2</u>: Cultivate Radiologic Technology students who utilize effective interpersonal skills with patients, peers, instructors, clinical partners, and the communities they serve.

Student Learning Outcomes:

- Students will communicate, both verbally and nonverbally in a professional manner with the patient.
- Students will discuss effective communication in the clinical environment.

<u>Goal 3</u>: Educate Radiologic Technology students to demonstrate critical thinking and problem-solving skills to adapt and perform job-related functions.

Student Learning Outcomes:

- Students will alter their approach to complete examinations for patients of different age groups.
- Students will evaluate radiographic images for adequate positioning, density/brightness, contrast, and recorded detail/spatial resolution.

<u>Goal 4</u>: Empower Radiologic Technology students to grow, develop, and become members of professional organizations that foster career growth.

Student Learning Outcomes:

- Students will evaluate career opportunities and advancement for the radiographer.
- Students will analyze the career growth opportunities gained from being involved in a professional medical imaging organization.
- Students will create a professional portfolio that illustrates growth with their careers.

A Career in Radiologic Technology

Radiologic Technology is a health care profession whose practitioners work in hospitals, clinics, free standing imaging centers, and private offices. The Radiologic Technologist (Radiographer) is a member of the health care team who works directly with the patient and the physician performing a wide variety of diagnostic x-ray procedures including Computed Tomography, Magnetic Resonance Imaging, and Positron Emission Tomography (PET/CT).



The Radiographer must be proficient in the knowledge of radiographic exposure, human anatomy and positioning the patient to demonstrate the desired anatomy, medical terminology, the operation of specialized equipment, and the assessment, care and management of the patient.

The rapid expansion of medical diagnostic imaging has greatly increased the diversity and utility of medical diagnosis. A career in Radiologic Technology offers vast opportunities for advancement.

Accreditation

The Radiologic Technology curriculum is accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) 20 N Wacker Drive Suite 2850 Chicago, IL 60606 Phone (312) 704-5300 and the State of California Department of Health Services.

The Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology Standards can be found at the following website: https://www.jrcert.org/

Additionally, students can report allegations that an accredited program is not in compliance with JRCERT accreditation standards by going to the following website: https://www.jrcert.org/accreditation-forstudents/allegations/

The clinical educational centers are accredited by the Joint Commission (TJC). The college is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC).

Certification

Students who complete the associate degree requirements including the clinical education requirements will be eligible to take the national board examination prepared by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) and apply to the State of California, Department of Public Health, Radiologic Health Branch (CA-DPH RHB) for certification.

Conditional Acceptance into the Program

The LACC RT Program accepts a limited number of students into the program on a conditional basis. The number accepted is based on the number of clinical education positions available at our approved clinical sites. The selection process is currently a lottery system. Qualifying applicants will be randomly selected using a simple randomizer website (wheel of names).

- ✓ Online applications to the RT department must be submitted between February 1st and March 31st each year for new applicants.
- ✓ 40-45 students are accepted to the RT Program once a year. Cohorts begin the Fall semester on a conditional basis.
- ✓ Conditions for official acceptance into the Program are outlined further in this document.



- ✓ It is the applicant's responsibility to make sure all necessary steps are followed, and documents are submitted by the deadline.
- ✓ Students are required to graduate with an Associate of Science degree in Radiologic Technology.
- ✓ Students must accrue at least 40 volunteer hours at a medical imaging center. (Effective 2024).

Background, Drug & Health Requirements

Upon conditional acceptance into the Radiologic Technology Program, the student must have a physical examination performed by a licensed physician at the student's expense. Documentation must be submitted to prove the student is free from communicable diseases, infection, psychological disorders, or other conditions that prevent the successful performance of the responsibilities and tasks required in the program.

Immunization records must be current, including MMR, Tdap vaccines and booster shots (if over 10 years), annual flu vaccine, Hepatitis B vaccine, and negative TB test. Each clinical site may have additional required vaccinations and requirements.

New students must also have **CPR-BLS** certification approved by the American Heart Association (AHA) before starting their clinical site rotations. An American Red Cross CPR card obtained prior to acceptance will not be accepted.

Upon acceptance into the program, all background and immunization records must be current, immunizations older than 10 years requires titers blood test and booster vaccine(s). If your clinical site requires a COVID-19 vaccine, you must include two series and at least one booster. The flu vaccine, Hepatitis B vaccine, and a negative TB test (test must be within one year). Drug and health screening must be completed by the orientation date (date TBD). There are no exceptions and no exemptions.

Official Acceptance to the Program

<u>Official acceptance</u> into the LACC RT Program does not occur until the following conditions have been met prior to beginning the program. (Note: Clinical sites may require proof of additional immunization)

- ✓ Students must pass a background check, medical clearance, and a 11-panel drug screening, at student's cost.
- ✓ Students must provide an **Immunization record** that includes the following:
 - 1. Proof of Covid-19 vaccine and booster (if applicable)
 - 2. Flu vaccine
 - 3. Negative TB test
 - 4. Hepatitis B vaccine
 - 5. Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Acellular Pertussis (Tdap)
 - 6. Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR)



- 7. Varicella (chicken pox vaccine)
- ✓ Students must provide a negative result for a 11-panel Drug Test that includes:
 - 1. Amphetamines
 - 2. Cocaine
 - 3. Marijuana Metab
 - 4. Opiates
 - 5. PCP
 - 6. Oxycodone
 - 7. Barbiturates
 - 8. Benzodiazepines
 - 9. Methadone
 - 10. Propoxyphene
 - 11. Meperidine (Demerol)
 - *If Oxycodone is tested under Opiates, it must be clearly indicated on the lab report.

Prerequisite Courses (7)

- 1. RT 200 Introduction to Radiologic Technology (3 units)
 - must be completed at LACC
- 2. RT 201 Medical Terminology for Radiologic Technology (3 units)
 - If taken this course at another college, it must be a 3-unit college level Medical Terminology course, substituted via a general petition
- 3. RT 202 Introduction to Electromagnetic Radiation Image Recording and Processing (4 units)
 - Must be completed at LACC
 - Enrollment requirements:
 - ENG 028 Intermediate Reading and Composition (3 units)
 - ENG 067 Writing Lab (0.5 unit)
 - Math 115 Elementary Algebra (5 units), equivalent or higher
 - RT 200 Introduction to Radiologic Technology (3 units)
 - RT 201 Medical Terminology for Radiologic Technology (3 units)
- 4. Anatomy 001 Introductory to Human Anatomy (4 units)
- 5. Physiology 001 Introductory to Human Physiology (4 units)
- 6. Math 125 Intermediate Algebra (5 units), equivalent or higher
 - Prerequisite: MATH 115 or by Appropriate Placement
- 7. English 101 College Reading and Composition I (3 units)
 - Enrollment Requirement: E.S.L. 008 or ENG 028 or placement in ENG 101
- * All General Education requirements for an Associate Degree must be completed by the end of the Spring semester of the application year.



To schedule an appointment with an <u>Academic Counselor</u> to verify course equivalence from another school or general education completion, please click on link: https://www.lacitycollege.edu/Academics/Counseling/Department-Home

Technical Standards

Radiography requires proficiency in applying technical knowledge, operation of specialized equipment in a competent and safe manner, and the ability to provide physical care and emotional support to patients during radiographic procedures. Therefore, to be admitted to the RT Program or to be retained in the program after admission, all applicants should possess the following:

- 1. Visual acuity is needed to prepare and administer contrast media and for the observation necessary for patient assessment, care, and management.
- 2. Auditory perception to receive verbal communication from patients needing assistance and from health care team members.
- 3. Communication skills (speech, reading, writing) to interact effectively and sensitively with patients to elicit information; describe changes in patient's condition; assess non-verbal communications; and be able to effectively and efficiently transmit information to patients, fellow students, faculty, staff and all members of the health care team.
- 4. Gross and fine motor coordination to perform diagnostic procedures, including reaching, lifting, and moving radiographic equipment. Applicants should be able to execute motor movements reasonably required to provide general and emergency care to patients.
- 5. Intellectual ability to measure, calculate, reason, analyze, and evaluate as required for direct patient care. The applicant must be able to comprehend three-dimensional and spatial relationships.
- 6. Emotional stability to enable the use of intellectual abilities, exercise good judgment, and promptly complete all responsibilities attendant to the care of the patients.
- 7. Social attributes to allow the development of mature, effective relationships with patients, faculty, co-workers, and administrators.

The "Technical Standards for Admission" have been established as a guidance tool for use in realistically informing the student of the minimum standards needed to satisfactorily function in the Program and ultimately in the profession.

The assessment of an applicant's compliance with these Standards will be accomplished in the following manner:

- 1. Faculty counseling to determine the applicant's goals and expectations.
- 2. A physical examination performed by a licensed physician.
- 3. The student will meet with the Application Review Committee to identify deficiencies that may hinder the student's professional success.



Applicants who may be deficient in one or more of the areas mentioned above should contact the Program Director. The RT Application Review Committee will seriously consider applicants who are deficient in any of these categories, providing the deficiency can be remedied with reasonable accommodation.

Curriculum

Didactic Courses: The following courses are taken after the student has been <u>officially accepted</u> into the Radiologic Technology Program.

Fall Semester (19 units)

Radiologic Technology 103- Radiographic Anatomy and Positioning- Skeletal System (4 units)

Radiologic Technology 205- Fundamentals of X-Ray Physics (4 units)

Radiologic Technology 207- Patient Care and Management (4 units)

Radiologic Technology 208- Cross Sectional Anatomy and Pathology (3 units)*

Radiologic Technology 240- Radiation Protection and Biology (4 units)

Winter Semester (2 units)

Radiologic Technology 210- Quality Management (1 unit)

Radiologic Technology 108- Radiographic Bootcamp (1 unit)

Spring Semester (13.5 units)

Radiologic Technology 104- Radiographic Anatomy and Positioning -Cranium and Visceral Organs (4 units)

Radiologic Technology 206- Radiographic Exposure (4 units)

Radiologic Technology 209- Pharmacology and Venipuncture with Basic Life Support (BLS) (1.5 unit)

Radiologic Technology 260- Introduction to Clinical Education (4 units)

Summer Semester (6 units)

Radiologic Technology 280- Clinical Education in Radiologic Technology I (6 units)

----- Second Year -----

Fall Semester (15 units)

Radiologic Technology 211- Computed Tomography (3 units)*

Radiologic Technology 281- Clinical Education in Radiologic Technology II (12 units)

Winter Semester (4 units)

Radiologic Technology 282- Clinical Education in Radiologic Technology III (4 units)

Spring Semester (15 units)

Radiologic Technology 243- Principles and Practices of Fluoroscopy (3 units)

Radiologic Technology 283- Clinical Education in Radiologic Technology IV (12 units)

*Note: These courses will not be required. It will be offered as an option for cohorts who wish to earn CT Certification. Introduction to CT and other modalities are covered in RT 200, RT 103, and RT 104.

Clinical Education: The program requires a full-time, two-year commitment. Classroom and laboratory courses are held at the college and are scheduled Monday through Friday between the hours of 5 a.m. and 7 p.m. A late afternoon, evening, or Saturday class or clinical rotation may be scheduled.



Clinical education is provided at the following medical facilities:

- 1. Good Samaritan Medical Center Presbyterian Intercommunity Hospital
- 2. Kaiser Permanente Medical Center Los Angeles Medical Center
- 3. Kaiser Permanente Medical Center West Los Angeles
- 4. RadNet Imaging Center of Southern California
- 5. Children's Hospital of Los Angeles
- 6. UCLA

<u>The clinical education schedule is full-time, 40 hours per week.</u> Students follow the college calendar for holidays. Students meet regularly with the Clinical Coordinator and/or Program Director at the student's clinical site to evaluate the effectiveness of the clinical training.

Estimated Financial Cost

Legal residents of the State of California are required to pay nominal enrollment fees. Non-resident students are required by State law to pay non-resident tuition fees. Consult Los Angeles City College Admissions and Records for current fees. (Fees are subject to change per the State Legislature.) In addition, students may expect other fees and expenses during the length of the program.

Enrollment Fee	\$ 46 per unit
	(74.5 credits = \$3,427)
Associated Student Body Membership (optional)	\$28 (\$7 Fall/Spring)
	\$6 (\$3 Winter/Summer)
Health Fee	\$76 (\$19 Fall/Spring)
	\$32 (\$16 Winter/Summer)
Parking Fee	\$27
Identification Badge	\$8
Pre-entrance medical examination	\$200
Immunizations	\$200
Liability/Malpractice insurance	\$136 (\$68 annually)
Drug Testing and Background Check	\$100
Textbooks and supplies (entire program)	\$800
Professional organizations: student membership	
1. CSRT	\$60 (\$30 annually x 2)
2. ASRT	\$70 (\$35 annually x 2)
Uniforms	\$280 (est.)
OSL Dose Badges (replacement)	\$80
Trajecsys (Cloud-based clinical reporting system)	\$200
Rad Review subscription	\$250
Clover Learning Rad Tech Bootcamp	\$225
Kettering Board Review Seminar	\$200
Graduation fees & expenses	\$200
Graduation sashes	\$35
Graduation pins	\$25



Certification Examinations:	
1. ARRT Radiography Exam fee	\$225
2. CA DPH-RHB CRT permit – Radiography	\$112
3. CA DPH-RHB CRT permit – Fluoroscopy	\$112
Total	\$7,114

Financial Aid

The Financial Aid Office administers federal, state, and institutional programs designed to expand college access. The available financial assistance comes in the form of grants, work-study, loans, and scholarships. The assistance makes it possible for individuals to continue their education beyond high school, even if they and/or their families cannot meet the full cost of post-secondary education.

For more information visit the website: https://www.lacitycollege.edu/Admissions/Financial-Aid/DepartmentHome

ARRT Ethics Committee

An individual who has been involved in a criminal proceeding or who has been charged with or convicted of a crime may file a pre-application with the ARRT in order to obtain a ruling on the impact of the situation on their eligibility for certification and registration. A charge or conviction of, a plea of guilty to, or a plea of nolo contendere (no contest) to an offense which is classified as a misdemeanor or felony constitutes a conviction for ARRT purposes. This includes situations in which the result is deferred or withheld adjudication or suspended or withheld sentence.

This procedure may enable the individual who has been involved in a criminal proceeding or has a criminal conviction to avoid any delays or possible ineligibility in processing an application for examination that is made at the time of graduation from an approved program. If a student thinks he/she may need to file a pre-application they will need to contact a faculty member of the Radiologic Technology Department for more information.

For more information, visit the website here: https://www.arrt.org/pages/earn-arrt-credentials/initialrequirements/ethics/ethics-review-preapplication



Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Q: What are the prerequisite courses I need to apply to the Radiologic Technology Program?

A: There are seven (7) prerequisite courses needed to apply to the Radiologic Technology Program: (26 units)

- 1. RT 200 Introduction to Radiologic Technology (3 units)
 - must be completed at LACC
- 2. RT 201 Medical Terminology for Radiologic Technology (3 units)
 - If taken this course at another college, it must a 3-unit college level Medical Terminology course, substituted via a general petition
- 3. RT 202 Introduction to Electromagnetic Radiation Image Recording and Processing (4 units)
 - must be completed at LACC.
 - Enrollment requirements:
 - o ENG 028 Intermediate Reading and Composition (3 units)
 - o ENG 067 Writing Lab (0.5 unit)
 - o MATH 115 Elementary Algebra (5 units)
 - o RT 200 Introduction to Radiologic Technology (3 units)
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- 4. Anatomy 001 Introductory to Human Anatomy (4 units)
- 5. Physiology 001 Introductory to Human Physiology (4 units)
- 6. MATH 125 Intermediate Algebra (5 units), equivalent, or higher
- 7. English 101 College Reading and Composition I (3 units)
 - Enrollment Requirement: E.S.L. 008 or ENG 028 or placement in ENG 101
- * Completion of all General Education Requirements for an associate degree by the end of the spring semester of the application year.
- * Document forty (40) volunteer hours at a medical imaging center (clinic/hospital). Effective 2024.
- * The RT 207 Patient Care class is no longer a prerequisite requirement. However, it is now a cohort class, as 25% of the ARRT exam is based on this content. If you have previously taken this course and passed, you are NOT required to retake it. But, it is strongly advised students audit the course.
- * The RT 203 Intro to Digital Radiography/Introduction to Anatomy & Positioning course has been archived and is no longer a prerequisite requirement.

Q: How do I apply to the Radiologic Technology Program? When are the deadlines?

A: The online application process can be found on our <u>LACC Radiologic Technology Website</u>. Applications must be submitted between February 1st to March 31st.



Q: What is the selection process?

A: Students are chosen randomly via a lottery system.

Q: How many students are accepted each year?

A: Currently, we are accepting only 20 students each year. This is due to the number of students each clinical site can train.

Q: How long is the waiting list for acceptance into the program?

A: Currently, the waitlist is full till 2024, with only several available spots for entry in Fall 2025. If there are any openings, we will bump up students from the consecutive waitlist and open the application link. Date TBD. Beginning January 2026, students will be selected via a lottery system, no waitlist. If you were placed on the waitlist, you **must** contact the program with your intent to continue to maintain your placement on the waitlist. Please send an email to RadTech@lacitycollege.edu with your student ID, your full name. You must use your student email address. In the email subject, please write "Class of 20XX Student".

Q: Will the waiting list be available online?

A: The waitlist will be posted on the LACC <u>Radiologic Technology Program website</u> as soon as it is available. Typically, it is posted Feb. 1 each year. The list will have the last four numbers of the applicants' student ID and the ranking of the student.

Q: How long is the program?

A: Upon acceptance, the Radiologic Technology program is two years.

Q: Is the program accredited by the JRCERT?

A: Yes.

Q: What is the estimated cost of the program?

A: Approximately \$6,693. More detailed information is in our Radiologic Technology Program Brochure.

Q: How do I communicate with a College Counselor to plan courses?

A: Currently, you can schedule an online counseling appointment via Cranium Café.

Q: Do my college classes transfer to LACC?

A: A college counselor will be able to determine which courses are accepted at LACC.

Q: What are the general education requirements?

A: A college counselor will be able to help you with the courses you need. The first step is to apply to the college and obtain a student ID. Then schedule an appointment with a college counselor. Our Allied Health Sciences Counselor, Mr. Pornsakdi Thammaraks, can be reached at thammaraks, can be reached at thammaraks (323) 953-4000 ext. 2256.

Q: What is the success rate of students passing the board examination? Job placement rate?

A: Current Program Effectiveness Data can be found on our LACC Radiologic Technology website.

Q: Can I take RT 200, RT 201, and RT 202 in the same semester?

A: You can only take RT 200 and RT 201 in the same semester. Please note that you must complete both classes, along with ENG 028, 067, or ENG 101, before taking RT 202.



Q: Is it possible to apply while completing the prerequisites?

A: Yes, you can apply in the spring semester with the intent to complete all the required prerequisites in that semester. You must submit an official transcript between the application timeframes. After passing all prerequisite courses you took in the spring, you must submit a copy of your unofficial transcript, letting the Program Director know you passed and completed all the prerequisite courses to qualify to be in the lottery selection.

Q: If I have questions regarding my application, whom do I contact?

A: All questions regarding the program or your application, please send an email to RadTech@laccitycollege.edu or washenja@laccd.edu The program director and faculty are monitoring the inbox.

Q: When will I know if I was accepted in the RT Program?

A: Each year, when the application opens on the RT Homepage, there will be dates and deadlines posted.

Q: Is there a recency on any of the required prerequisite courses?

A: No, however, if you are planning on continuing to earn a post-modality certification (CT, MRI, Radiation Therapy) or a higher degree (Bachelor's or Master's degree) some colleges require a five year recency for certain courses, i.e., anatomy and physiology. It is highly recommended you meet with a college counselor at the school you intend to apply or transfer to and ask what their recency requirements on specific programs.

Q: How many clinical sites does the program have?

A: Currently, we are affiliated with three clinical partners:

- 1. Good Samaritan Hospital/PIH: Presbyterian Intercommunity Hospital
- 2. Kaiser Permanente Los Angeles Medical Center (Hollywood)
- 3. Kaiser Permanente West Los Angeles Medical Center
- 4. RadNet Multiple locations
- 5. Children's Hospital (CHLA)
- 6. UCLA Health

Q: Upon acceptance into the Radiologic Technology program, are students allowed to pick which clinical site they train at?

A: No, the clinical sites will do an intake of transcripts, required documents, and modules (i.e., HIPAA, Bloodborne pathogens, etc.). to verify that students meet their organization's criteria.

Q: What are the required documents needed by the clinical sites?

A: Each facility requires different training modules and documentation not limited to a background check, drug screening, mandatory vaccine status (i.e., DTaP, MMR, Hep B, COVID-19, and booster, flu), physical/mental health clearance, TB test, mask fitting, HIPAA compliance, CPR-BLS training, Fire safety, Bloodborne training, etc.

Q: I have a criminal/ethics violation record. Am I able to apply to the program?

A: You must contact and apply to the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) Ethics Committee before applying to the LACC Radiologic Technology Program. The committee will determine if you are eligible to sit for the national board exam.



Q: What is the curriculum once I get accepted into the program?

A: Students can find this information in our 2023 Program Brochure on our <u>Radiologic Technology</u> <u>website</u>.

Fall Semester (1st year) - (19 units)

Radiologic Technology 103- Radiographic Anatomy and Positioning- Skeletal System (4 units) Radiologic Technology 205- Fundamentals of X-Ray Physics (4 units)

Radiologic Technology 207 - Patient Care and Management (4 units)

Radiologic Technology 208 - Cross Sectional Anatomy and Pathology (3 units)

Radiologic Technology 240 - Radiation Protection and Biology (4 units)

Winter Semester (1st year) - (2 units)*

Radiologic Technology 210 - Quality Management (1 unit) Radiologic Technology 108- Radiographic Bootcamp (1 units)*

Radiologic Technology 108 - Radiographic Bootcamp (1 unit)

Spring Semester (1st year) - (13.5 units)*

Radiologic Technology 104 - Radiographic Anatomy and Positioning -Cranium and Visceral Organs (4 units)

Radiologic Technology 206 - Radiographic Exposure (4 units)

Radiologic Technology 209 - Pharmacology and Venipuncture with Basic Life Support (BLS) (3 units)*

Radiologic Technology 260 - Introduction to Clinical Education (4 units)

*The program is being modified to reduce the number of units and hours for the RT 209 course to 1.5 units.

Summer Semester (1st year) – (6 units)

Radiologic Technology 280- Clinical Education in Radiologic Technology I (6 units)

Fall Semester (2nd year) - (15 units)

Radiologic Technology 211 - Computed Tomography (3 units)

Radiologic Technology 281 - Clinical Education in Radiologic Technology II (12 units)

Winter Semester (2nd year) - (4 units)

Radiologic Technology 282 - Clinical Education in Radiologic Technology III (4 units)

Spring Semester (2nd year) – (15 units)

Radiologic Technology 243- Principles and Practices of Fluoroscopy (3 units)

Radiologic Technology 283- Clinical Education in Radiologic Technology IV (12 units)

* RT 210 Quality Management (3 units) was changed to 1 unit.

RT 209 - Pharmacology and Venipuncture with Basic Life Support (BLS) (3 units) was changed to 1.5 units.

**Please note, this program is a two-year full-time commitment. Often students must take evening and Saturday classes and/or clinic. Our curriculum requires students to study outside of the classroom. Work-life balance is often a challenge for our students who require to work or have family obligations. There are college resources available for students.

Q: Where can I go for my volunteer hours?

A: We recommend first trying to volunteer at one of our clinical partners. Please go through the hospital's Volunteer Services. You may try other local outpatient clinics or hospitals with a medical imaging center close to your home. Other larger organizations you may want to try are USC Keck Medical Center, Cedar Sinai, St. John's Hospital, other Kaiser Permanente Hospitals, or Providence Hospitals.



Q: What kind of documentation do I need for my volunteer hours?

A: A letter/email from volunteer service at the Clinic/Hospital you attained your volunteer hours. The letter must be on the institute's official letterhead or the email must be sent from the organization (no personal emails are accepted). More information and the forms are found on our RT Homepage.

Q: Am I able to do more than 40 hours?

A: Yes, some hospitals require more than 40 hours for volunteers to fulfill their service. However, the program only requires a minimum of 40 hours.

Q: I already work at a medical facility; can I use my work hours as my volunteer 40 hours?

A: Yes, if you currently work in a medical imaging center. Your employer must identify the capacity of your duties in the department. Your duties must align with working closely with the physicians and technologists with a great understanding of the radiographic equipment, duties, and procedures performed.

Q: Is there tutoring available for any Radiologic Technology courses?

A: There are Math and English labs available. However, tutoring is only available for students enrolled in a Math or English course. Currently, there is no available tutoring for our Radiologic Technology courses. However, the faculty is trying to secure a lab and radiographic math/physics tutor.

Q: What if I don't see my question listed?

A: Please get in touch with the Program Director/Department Chair. Faculty contact is found on our Radiologic Technology website.



Contact Information

If you have questions, we have answers:

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Thank you for your interest in the Los Angeles City College Radiologic Technology Program!

