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**Radiologic Technology**

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# Program Summary and Accreditation

The Radiologic Technology Program is a two-year, 64-credit-hour curriculum leading to an associate degree in applied sciences. Dallas College is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097: Telephone number 404-679-4501) to award the associate degree. The Dallas College – Radiologic Technology Program has been awarded accreditation from the [Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology website](https://www.jrcert.org/) (20 N. Wacker Drive, Suite 2850 Chicago, IL 60606 Phone: 312-704-5300). The most recent accreditation received by the JRCERT was 8 years and the program will be up for reaccreditation during the 3rd quarter of 2025. The program must meet the requirements outlined in the "Standards for an Accredited Educational Program in Radiography". A graduate of the program will be eligible to take the national registry examination administered by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT). Upon passing the Registry Exam, the graduate is eligible to be licensed by the Texas Medical Board as a General Medical Radiologic Technologist.

Acceptance to the Radiologic Technology Program is via a **competitive selection process based on the point system outlined** [**here**](#_H._Selection_Process)**.** This information packet details the procedure for program application. When submitting completed application materials, potential applicants are expected to be familiar with the application requirements and process. A class will be admitted every **Spring** (January) **semester** and every **Summer** (June) **semester** at the Brookhaven campus.

**Equal Educational Opportunity**

Educational opportunities are offered by Dallas College without regard to race, color,

religion, national origin, sex, disability, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression.

# A. Application Checklist

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| \_\_\_ | 1 | Download and read through the Radiologic Technology [program information packet](https://www.dallascollege.edu/cd/credit/pages/ecc-health-packets-sessions.aspx) |
| \_\_\_ | 2 | Watch the online information session at the same link in #1. |
| \_\_\_ | 3 | Once you have completed #2 above and sent the Information Session Verification email, you will be notified via email of your enrollment in the Applicant Portal. |
| \_\_\_ | 4 | Complete the Radiologic Technology prerequisite courses:  \_\_\_\_ENGL-1301  \_\_\_\_BIOL-2401  \_\_\_\_MATH-1314  \_\_\_\_RADR-1201\*  \_\_\_\_RADR-2209\*  *\*It is recommended that a student complete the 3 non-RADR prerequisites prior to enrolling in RADR 1201 and RADR 2209* |
| \_\_\_ | 5 | Complete HESI exam. Enrollment information can be found in the Applicant Portal on TEAMS. A cumulative score of 75 is required to be eligible to apply to the program. We recommend you wait to take the HESI until you have completed ENGL 1301, MATH 1314 and BIOL 2401. **Scores will only be accepted from exam administrations posted in the Applicant Portal on TEAMS.** |
| \_\_\_ | 6 | If you have questions about the program, email [AskSOHS@dallascollege.edu](mailto:asksohs@dallascollege.edu?subject=Questions%20about%20a%20health%20program). |
| \_\_\_ | 7 | Complete an [application for college admission](https://www.applytexas.org/), if not already a Dallas College student. |
| \_\_\_ | 8 | Submit official transcripts from all previously attended colleges/universities to [studenttranscripts@dallascollege.edu](mailto:studenttranscripts@dallascollege.edu) or to Dallas College, ATTN: Admissions Processing, 3737 Motley Drive, Mesquite, TX 75150. |
| \_\_\_ | 9 | See a [Success Coach](https://www.dallascollege.edu/resources/success-coaching/pages/default.aspx) (advisor) as needed for TSI counseling, placement testing, etc., and complete any developmental courses as may be determined from the test scores. |
| \_\_\_ | 10 | If desired, request an [Educational Plan](https://www.dallascollege.edu/cd/credit/pages/ecc-health-resources.aspx) for evaluation of external credit course work that applies to the Radiologic Technology curriculum. |
| \_\_\_ | 11 | You must possess or be eligible to obtain a US Social Security Number to be eligible to apply. |
| \_\_\_ | 12 | If time allows, complete these Radiologic Technology support courses for additional application points: BIOL 2402, PHIL 2306 and PSYC 2301 OR SOCI 1301. |
| \_\_\_ | 13 | Obtain a Basic Life Support CPR w/AED certification from the [American Heart Association](https://cpr.heart.org/en/cpr-courses-and-kits/healthcare-professional/basic-life-support-bls-training) (due after acceptance, but points awarded if completed prior to application deadline). |
| \_\_\_ | 14 | In the TEAMS portal you will have access to the online application form. This form becomes available on the first day of the application semester and is due on Nov. 1 during the fall application semester and April 1 on the spring application semester. |
| \_\_\_ | 15 | Submit **ALL** required materials to the applicant portal prior to the filing [deadline](#_H._Application_Filing). |

# B. General Admission Requirements to the College

Applicants to the Radiologic Technology program must meet all [college admission requirements](https://www.dallascollege.edu/admissions/pages/default.aspx) as outlined in the official college catalog.

Applicants must have earned a high school diploma or General Education Diploma (GED) and comply with Texas Success Initiative (TSI) requirements before they are eligible to apply to the program. Students should consult Success Coach/advising office to determine their TSI status prior to application to a Health Sciences program.

## Official College Transcripts

Prior to application to the Radiologic Technology program, potential applicants must have submitted ***official transcripts from ALL colleges and universities the applicant has attended whether the coursework is or is not relevant to the program application***. Transcripts from Dallas College (formerly Dallas County Community College District) campuses are not required.

The transcripts must be current with the **print date no earlier than three years** prior to the applicant’s anticipated admission to the program unless the student has not had a break in enrollment with Dallas College since the transcripts were originally submitted. If the official transcripts have not been submitted, the individual’s application will be voided.

Official transcripts must be sent electronically from the applicant’s previous colleges to [studenttranscripts@dallascollege.edu](mailto:studenttranscripts@dallascollege.edu). Transcripts sent by the applicant in pdf or other formats are not accepted. Transcripts may also be mailed from a college in a sealed envelope to Dallas College, Attn: Admissions Processing, 3737 Motley Drive, Mesquite, TX 75150.

## Initial Advisement

Students who are beginning college for the first time will follow the [Steps to Enrollment](https://www.dallascollege.edu/admissions/application/pages/default.aspx) which will guide them from applying to the college system to placement testing, selecting a degree plan, contacting a Success Coach, and enrolling in basic courses. <https://www.dallascollege.edu/admissions/pages/new-credit-students.aspx>

A student who has not completed college coursework should request a general Associate of Science Degree plan from [Success Coaching](https://www.dallascollege.edu/resources/success-coaching/pages/centers.aspx) as a starting point toward future application to a health sciences program. ***Note: Additional assessment testing in computer literacy and learning frameworks courses may be required for certain students.***

# C. Prerequisite Courses

Applicants must complete the prerequisite courses listed below with a minimum prerequisite grade point average of 3.0 or higher to apply to the Radiologic Technology program. The prerequisite GPA is considered in the point award ranking process.

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Prerequisite Courses | Lec Hrs | Lab Hrs | Cr Hrs |
| BIOL-2401\* Anatomy/Physiology I | 3 | 3 | 4 |
| ENGL-1301 Composition I | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| MATH-1314 | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| RADR-1201 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| RADR-2209 | 2 | 0 | 2 |

If you need help calculating your prerequisite GPA, click [HERE](https://www.dallascollege.edu/resources/success-coaching/pages/gpa-calculator.aspx).

\* BIOL 1406 is the prerequisite course for BIOL 2401. **BIOL 1406 must be completed with a grade of “C” or higher** within the last three years or present a satisfactory score on the CLEP Biology exam.

Note: all prerequisite courses MUST be completed:

* 1. with a grade of C or better, B or better for BIOL-2401
  2. by April 1 for Summer Cohort and November 1 for Spring Cohort

# D. Previous coursework evaluation

Official transcripts are fully evaluated by the Dallas College Transcript Evaluation Center after a student has been enrolled for at least one regular semester. However, students can request an Educational Plan, an evaluation of their previous coursework toward a Health Sciences program. The [Educational Plan](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=U1R-1i9z3EqUpEiI8tl9XR-JTZXG4gtGtI5xwkPieuFUOFdER1BQS1k5TU02R09FQTU0WFVDTEJQWSQlQCN0PWcu) is a preliminary, unofficial degree plan for advisement purposes and only reflects specific courses toward a health sciences program. Educational Plans are optional and are not required for application to a health sciences program. They are usually completed within 4-8 weeks. An Educational Plan should be requested at least one semester prior to a program application filing deadline if possible.

The School of Health Sciences and the Allied Health Admissions Office reserve the right to accept or reject any coursework completed at other colleges presented for transfer evaluation toward Health Science programs.

## Five-Year Time Limit for Select Courses

**All science coursework (Anatomy & Physiology I and II, Introduction to Radiography and Radiographic Imaging Equipment) must have been completed within 5 years of your application semester.** The Radiologic Technology application committee will consider waivers for the 5-year time limit, provided the following materials are submitted to the application portal community:

1. Copies of transcript.
2. Photocopy of the catalog course description (if the course was completed outside of Dallas College).
3. Original letter of petition specifically outlining how you are utilizing the science course knowledge (current healthcare employment, teaching, advanced degree, etc.). The letter must have the student’s name and Dallas College ID number.
4. If employed in a hospital/healthcare environment or in a science teaching capacity, an additional letter by the individual’s supervisor is also required reiterating their specific duties at the facility and the manner in which their science knowledge is being utilized. The supervisor’s name, title, email, and phone number must be provided. An employment performance review is NOT accepted.

After review by the radiologic technology application committee, the individual will be notified whether the five-year time limit waiver has been approved or disapproved. The committee reserves the right to grant or deny petitions for five-year time limit waivers toward the radiologic technology program.

## Credit by Examination, CLEP and Advanced Placement Credit

Credit through CLEP, High School Advanced Placement (AP) Exams and Credit by Examination may be awarded for a limited number of courses toward Health Sciences programs including MATH 1314, PSYC 2301. CLEP credit is not awarded for ENGL 1301. Advanced Placement (“AP”) credit for ENGL 1301, PSYC 2301, and MATH 1314 is acceptable if the credit appears on a college transcript as ENGL 1301, PSYC 2301, and MATH 1314 equivalency. A letter grade is not awarded for “AP” credit.

**Note:** **An applicant may present credit by exam, CLEP, or “AP” credit for 1 of the prerequisite courses and 1 support course. Credit will be acknowledged but not calculated with the grade point average.**

## Coursework from Institutions Outside of the United States

No coursework will be accepted from institutions outside of the United States.

# E. Program Application Exam (HESI A2)

The Radiologic Technology program utilizes the HESI A2, a computerized test, as an application condition. Applicants are tested on the 5 components (Reading Comprehension, Grammar, Vocabulary/General Knowledge, Math, and Anatomy/Physiology). Students may also complete the Learning Styles and Personality Profile sections, but these sections are not graded.

**The HESI A2 must be taken during a testing administration posted in the Applicant Portal on TEAMS; no other scores will be accepted.** A cumulative score of 75 must be achieved to be eligible to apply to the program. This exam score will be good for 2 years.For more information on scoring requirements and test registration, please see the Applicant Portal on TEAMS.

# F. Application Materials Submission

## Program Online Information Video

Potential applicants are **required** to watch an online information video during which the Radiologic Technology Program application procedures and acceptance policies are discussed in detail. At the end of the video, you will be given instructions for acknowledging orientation completion. This will allow you to be added to the Applicant Portal on TEAMS. If you need additional information, you may contact the Radiologic Sciences Program Office via the Portal. The link to the information video can be found on the application checklist.

## Online Application Form Submission

Once you have viewed the online Information Session and have sent the verification email, you will be notified via email when you are enrolled in the Applicant Portal. To access the Portal, follow the link provided in the verification email. You will find a link to the online Radiologic Technology Program application in the TEAMS Radiologic Technology Applicant Portal at the beginning of the application semester. Please follow the link and complete all necessary fields. You will need the following information to complete this form:

1. Demographic information (name, address, student ID, email, phone number, etc.)
2. Names of all colleges attended.
3. Course grade, college, semester completed and course title if different - for all prerequisites and other general education courses.

Upon completing the online application form, you must compile the applicable supporting documents as requested for the application and submit them via the Applicant Portal on TEAMS.

## Supporting Documents

You will find below a list of supporting documents. Each document must be submitted to the Radiologic Technology Applicant Portal on TEAMS on or before the application filing deadline. **Incomplete packets will NOT be considered for admittance.**

All supporting documents will be uploaded in the Applicant Portal. Supporting documents will be accepted until **Nov. 1** for fall applications and **April 1** for spring applications.

 The following supporting documents are required for your program application:

1. **Official Transcripts** - [submission instructions](#_Official_College_Transcripts)
2. **Military Experience** – if applicable, a copy of your DD Form 214 must be submitted via the Applicant Community.
3. **Healthcare Experience** – A letter from your supervisor verifying your employment position, specific duties, and employment date (minimum 6 months of **direct patient care** experience within the last 5 years). The documentation must include dates of employment and average hours worked per week. You must work a minimum of 20 hours/week on average for consideration. A job description **MUST also** be included. Documentation for work experience in a healthcare setting will only be considered for work involving **direct patient care.** **The letter must include your supervisor’s name, email address and phone number and should be signed by the supervisor.**
4. **Cover Letter -** submit a cover letter explaining your desire to be in this program and the profession. This document should contain anything in your life history that you feel is important to your application. If you need assistance with your cover letter, contact the [Dallas College Career Services](https://www.dcccd.edu/resources/career-services/pages/default.aspx) Center for an appointment. The cover letter must be submitted via the Applicant Community.
5. **Current Résumé** – submit a résumé listing your previous education, work, and life history. If you need assistance with your résumé, contact the [Dallas College Career Services](https://www.dcccd.edu/resources/career-services/pages/default.aspx) Center for an appointment. The résumé must be submitted via the Applicant Community.
6. **Course Substitutions** – Students presenting coursework completed outside Dallas College for transfer as prerequisite or general support courses for the Radiologic Technology Program should upload documentation from the college that the request for course substitution has been granted.

# G. Application Filing Period(s)

**Official application filing period for Spring semester (Summer admission) and Fall semester (Spring admission):**

1. The online application form for the fall application group (Spring admission) will be available at the beginning of the Fall semester and must be submitted by **5pm on November 1st**.
   1. **NOTE this important change: ALL prerequisite courses MUST BE COMPLETED by the application deadline.**
2. The online application form for the spring application group (Summer admission) will be available at the beginning of the Spring semester and must be submitted by **5pm on April 1st.** 
   1. **NOTE this important change: ALL prerequisite courses MUST BE COMPLETED by the application deadline.**

**The supporting documents must be uploaded by April 1 for Spring applications and by November 1 for Fall applications.** An announcement will be made in the Applicant Portal on TEAMS when the notification emails have been sent out.

A student who applies during the official filing period and receives an acceptance letter is required to acknowledge acceptance within a specified time limit to confirm his/her space in the class.

Failure to acknowledge confirmation by the specified date, or failure to attend the scheduled orientation seminar (dates noted in acceptance letter) for the accepted class will result in forfeiture of the student’s space in that class.

NOTE: Students who are not selected for admission to the semester for which they apply, or students who decline their acceptance for that semester must submit a new application packet during the next filing period to be considered for the next admission opportunity.

**Late applications will NOT be accepted.**

# H. Selection Process

Applicants are given a series of points based on completion of the five prerequisite courses and other core requirements. A grade of **B or higher is required in BIOL 2401**. Applicants are selected for acceptance to the Radiologic Technology Program according to the following competitive ranking process:

1. Prerequisite GPA (Grade Point Average): Minimum **prerequisite** GPA for a qualified application is 3.0.

Applicants are given points as follows:

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| --- | --- |
| Prerequisite GPA | Points Awarded |
| 4.0 | 5 |
| 3.99 - 3.75 | 4 |
| 3.74 - 3.50 | 3 |
| 3.49 - 3.25 | 2 |
| 3.24 - 3.0 | 1 |

1. Applicants are given **two** points for completion of PHIL 2306 - Ethics and two points for either core course completed (PSYC 2301 - General Psychology **OR** SOCI 1301-Intro to Sociology) *NOTE:* *All courses required for the degree must be completed with a C or better unless otherwise noted (BIOL 2401 requires a B or higher).*
2. Applicants are given points based on grade achieved in BIOL 2402 – Anatomy & Physiology II as follows: A = **4** B = **2**; C = **0**
3. Applicants are given points based on grade achieved in RADR 1201 Introduction to Radiology as follows: A = 4; B = 2; C = **0 NOTE** - Points for RADR 1201 will be assessed on first or second attempts only. The grade on the most recent of the **two** attempts will be used to assign points. **For example**: RADR 1201 was taken in the Summer of 2022, the Fall of 2022, and the Spring of 2023. The Fall 2022 grade will be used for application points. A “W” does count as an attempt.
4. Applicants are given points based on grade achieved in RADR 2209 Principles of Radiographic Imaging I as follows: A = **4**; B = **2**; C = **0 NOTE** - Points for RADR 2209 will be assessed on first or second attempts only. The grade on the most recent of the **two** attempts will be used to assign points. **For example**: RADR 2209 was taken in the Summer of 2023, the Fall of 2023, and the Spring of 2024. The Fall 2023 grade will be used for application points.  A “W” does count as an attempt.
5. Applicants are given **three** points for a degree. You only receive three points no matter how many degrees you have achieved.
6. Applicants who have served in the military for two or more years will receive **three** points.
7. Applicants that have completed [**American Heart Association Basic Life Support CPR for healthcare providers with AED**](https://cpr.heart.org/en/cpr-courses-and-kits/healthcare-professional/basic-life-support-bls-training) will receive **1** point.  **No exceptions.**
8. Applicants are given **one** point for 6 months up to one year of health care experience, **three** points for over one year and up to 5 years, and **five** points for five plus years of health care experience. You must document this experience with a signed letter from your employer on the company letterhead. The documentation must include dates of employment and average hours worked per week. You must work a minimum of 20 hours/week on average for consideration. A job description **MUST also** be included. Documentation for work experience in a healthcare setting involving **DIRECT PATIENT CARE** will only be accepted from the following:

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| * hospital | * urgent care clinic |
| * skilled nursing facility | * physical therapy center |
| * doctor’s office or clinic | * imaging center |

**Note: The following will not be considered as direct healthcare experience for application points:  Veterinary Tech** **Ophthalmology Tech**  **Pharmacy Tech**

**Direct patient care** is defined as direct contact with human patients in the above settings that require you to:

* verify patient information by interviewing the patient, recording medical history, and confirming purpose of visit.
* Prepare patients for examinations.
* assist patients during transfers from beds, wheelchairs, etc.
* assist nursing staff in administering basic treatments.
* monitor and document vital signs.
* obtain fluid samples or other specimens needed for examinations.
* maintain adequate patient care supplies in treatment rooms.
* perform basic nursing procedures (e.g., changing bandages).

1. An applicant that applied in the previous application period, whose application met the minimum program requirements but was not accepted, will receive **four** points. If you apply a third time, you will receive an additional **three** points. Upload a copy or copies of the emails received indicating you had a qualified application but were not selected.
2. Students applying to the Dallas College Radiologic Technology must complete the **HESI A2 exam prior to application**. The HESI must be taken during a testing administration posted in the Applicant Portal; no other scores will be accepted. They must obtain a cumulative score of 75 to be eligible to apply:

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| * Reading Comprehension | * Math |
| * Vocabulary and General Knowledge | * Anatomy and Physiology |
| * Grammar |  |

Based on the point ranking from all of the above criteria, the top 30-40 students will be admitted to the program. The final admitted total will be dependent upon availability of clinical sites.

In the event of a tie in the point ranking among applicants for the Radiologic Technology Program, the following tie-breaker policy will be applied to determine which applicant(s) will be selected for admission:

1. Previous Applications: Preference will be given to the applicant who has applied in previous application periods and has received points for not being accepted. If both applicants have received the maximum amount of PQA points, proceed to next step.
2. Cumulative GPA: The applicant with the higher cumulative GPA in their prerequisite courses will be given priority. If both applicants have the same GPA, proceed to the next step.
3. Grade in RADR 1201: If the cumulative GPAs are equal, the applicant with the higher grade in RADR 1201 on their first attempt (Introduction to Radiology) will be selected. If still tied, proceed to the next step.
4. Grade in RADR 2209: If the grades in RADR 1201 are equal, the applicant with the higher grade in RADR 2209 on their first attempt (Principles of Radiographic Imaging I) will be prioritized. If still tied, proceed to the next step.
5. Grade in BIOL 2401: If the grades in RADR 2209 are equal, the applicant with the higher grade in BIOL 2401 (Anatomy & Physiology I) will be prioritized. If still tied, proceed to the next step.
6. Random Selection: If all criteria above have been exhausted and a tie still exists, a random selection process will be employed. This will be conducted fairly and transparently, ensuring equal opportunity for the tied applicants.

# ***Documentation and Communication***

# All applicants involved in a tie will be informed of the tie-breaker process and any required documentation they may need to provide to support their application.

# The final decision will be communicated to all affected applicants in a timely manner.

# This policy aims to ensure a fair and transparent process for selecting applicants to the Radiologic Technology Program while recognizing the achievements and qualifications of all candidates.

# I. Curriculum Overview

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| Prerequisites | |  | | | |
| Course | Title | | Lecture Hours | Lab Hours | Credit Hours |
| ENGL-1301 | Composition 1 | | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| BIOL-2401 | Anatomy & Physiology 1 | | 3 | 3 | 4 |
| MATH-1314 | College Algebra | | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| RADR-1201 | Introduction to Radiography | | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| RADR-2209 | Radiographic imaging Equipment | | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Subtotal |  | | 13 | 3 | 14 |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Semester 1 (8 Weeks) | | | | |
| Course | Title | Lecture Hours | Lab Hours | Credit Hours |
| RADR-1203 | Patient Care | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| RADR-1311 | Basic Radiographic Procedures | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| BIOL-2402 | Anatomy & Physiology II | 3 | 3 | 4 |
| Subtotal |  | 6 | 9 | 9 |

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| Semester 2 (8 Weeks) | | | | |
| Course | Title | Lecture Hours | Lab Hours | Credit Hours |
| RADR-1213 | Principles of Radiographic Imaging I | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| RADR-2301 | Intermediate Radiographic Procedures | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| PHIL-2306 | Introduction to Ethics | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| Subtotal |  | 6 | 6 | 8 |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Semester 3 (8 Weeks) | | | | |
| Course | Title | Lecture Hours | Lab Hours | Credit Hours |
| RADR-1291 | Special Topics in Medical Radiologic  Technology/Technician | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| RADR-2205 | Principles of Radiographic Imaging II | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| RADR-2331 | Advanced Radiographic Procedures | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| Subtotal |  | 5 | 6 | 7 |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Semester 4 (8 Weeks) | | | | |
| Course | Title | Lecture Hours | Lab Hours | Credit Hours |
| RADR-1202 | Radiographic Image Evaluation I | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| RADR-2233 | Advanced Medical Imaging | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| RADR-1266 | Practicum (or Field Experience)-Radiologic Technology/Science-Radiographer | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| SOCI-1301 or PSYC-2301 | Introduction to Sociology OR General Psychology | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| Subtotal |  | 7 | 0 | 9 |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Semester 5 (8 Weeks) | | | | |
| Course | Title | Lecture Hours | Lab Hours | Credit Hours |
| RADR-2213 | Radiation Biology and Protection | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| RADR-1250 | Radiographic Image Evaluation II | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| RADR-1267 | Practicum (or Field Experience)-Radiologic Technology/Science-Radiographer | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Subtotal |  | 4 | 0 | 6 |

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| Semester 6 (8 Weeks) | | | | |
| Course | Title | Lecture Hours | Lab Hours | Credit Hours |
| RADR-2217 | Radiographic Pathology | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| RADR-1268 | Practicum (or Field Experience)-Radiologic Technology/Science-Radiographer | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Subtotal |  | 2 | 0 | 4 |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Semester 7 (8 Weeks) | | | | |
| Course | Title | Lecture Hours | Lab Hours | Credit Hours |
| RADR-2335 | Radiologic Technology Seminar\*  \*RADR 2235 Radiologic Technology Seminar is the capstone course for this award. This will be a 16-week course. | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| RADR-2266 | Practicum (or Field Experience)-Radiologic Technology/Science-Radiographer | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Subtotal |  | 3 | 0 | 5 |

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| Semester 8 (8 Weeks) | | | | |
| Course | Title | Lecture Hours | Lab Hours | Credit Hours |
| RADR-2267 | Practicum (or Field Experience)-Radiologic Technology/Science-Radiographer | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Subtotal |  | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Program Total |  |  |  | 64 |

# J. General Information

1. The Dallas College Radiologic Technology Program accepts 30-40\* students every spring/summer semester. Program courses are currently offered during the day and prerequisite courses offered during both day and evening hours. The clinical training experience (practicum) at a local hospital will be 32 hours per week in Semesters III, IV and V. Clinical hours will be set by the clinical institution to which the student is assigned and the clinical coordinator – this will include day, evening, and night instruction. *\* Final admitted total will be dependent upon clinical availability.*
2. Students are strongly encouraged to take the general education support courses (PSYC 2301 or SOCI 1301, BIOL 2402 and PHIL 2306) prior to entrance into the Radiologic Technology Program, particularly if the student works or has significant family responsibilities. This program is rigorous, and many students find that completing the support courses first enables them to complete the program successfully while maintaining other responsibilities.

**NOTE:** Support courses completed at colleges and universities outside the Dallas College campuses must be approved for transfer credit prior to the semester in which the course is required as stipulated in the curriculum outline.

1. In considering radiologic technology as a career, the student should be aware of the following factors:

* The student will be required to lift and move patients, push, pull and lift heavy equipment, and carry imaging receptors.
* The student will be required to stoop, bend, and stand for prolonged periods. For example, you may be required to stand for an entire 8-hour clinical shift.
* In emergency situations, the student may be required to move very quickly.
* The student must have the physical ability to perform CPR.
* The student must have the manual dexterity to insert catheters, prepare and administer medications and manipulate and assemble equipment for use.
* The student will be required to utilize multiple psychomotor skills.
* The student will be required to develop and use multiple interpersonal relationship skills and be able to function in highly stressful situations.
* The student must be able to communicate fluently in both spoken and written English.
* The student must be able to work in a dimly lit environment and evaluate high and low contrast x-ray images.

1. Pregnancy Policy: Although the risk of damage by medical diagnostic imaging to the unborn child is small, Dallas College – Radiologic Technology Program - maintains controls regarding pregnant students in the Radiologic Technology Program. Notification of pregnancy is voluntary, not mandatory and must be declared in writing.

The student must decide whether to accept the risks of ionizing radiation, however slight. If the pregnant student chooses to continue in the program during her pregnancy, every effort will be made to protect her unborn child. These efforts include extra radiation monitoring and isolation from areas of fluoroscopy and mobile radiography. However, experiences of this type contained in the curriculum must be completed prior to graduation. If a pregnant student chooses to withdraw during the term of her pregnancy, she will be readmitted upon completion of her pregnancy leave pending space availability. The length of pregnancy leave is to be determined by the student’s physician. If the student does not re-enter the program upon completion of her pregnancy leave, she must reapply under the standard readmission procedure. If the pregnant student decides to remain in the Radiologic Technology Program, she accepts full responsibility regarding the outcome, and she will be required to sign a waiver of responsibility. Further information regarding pregnancy can be found in the Radiologic Technology Program Handbook (received after program acceptance).

1. **Immunizations are not a requirement for application**. Upon acceptance to the Radiologic Technology Program, a physical examination and immunization record form will be provided. All immunization documentation must be provided before the first day of the clinical practicum.
2. All students must be certified in [**American Heart Association** **Basic Cardiac Life Support (BLS) for Health Care Providers**](https://cpr.heart.org/en/courses#sort=relevancy&f:@courseaudience=[Healthcare%20Professionals]&f:@coursetype=[Online%20%2B%20Classroom]&f:@coursetopic=[Basic%20Life%20Support%20(BLS)]). This certification is NOT a requirement for application but must be completed once accepted into the program before the first day of the clinical practicum.
3. *Criminal Background Check / Drug Screening*

All students enrolled in the Radiologic Technology Program are required by the Dallas/Fort Worth Hospital Council member facilities to undergo a criminal background check and drug screen before starting his/her clinical experience. This procedure is conducted ***after*** a student has been accepted to the program. Results of these screenings are forwarded to the Radiologic Technology Program Office for review and verification that a student is eligible to attend clinical rotation. Students are responsible for all charges incurred (approximately $145) for these screenings.

DRUG SCREEN POLICY

The drug screen follows National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) guidelines and screens for 12 substances as designated in the Substance Abuse Panel 12 (“SAP 12”).

SAP 12 test results which fall outside of any of the acceptable ranges are considered positive test results and are automatically sent for a separate confirmatory test by a Gas Chromatography MSS Spectrometry (GCMS) method. If these results remain positive, the test results are sent to a Medical Review Officer (“MRO”), which may entail an additional cost of $25-85 to the student.

The MRO will then contact the student to determine if there is a valid prescription for the drug in question. If a valid prescription exists and is verified, the test result will be deemed negative and acceptable.

If the test result is positive, the student will be dismissed from the program. The student can reapply during the next application process but will only be admitted after a negative drug test. If the student tests positive a second time, the student will be ineligible to reapply.

A clinical agency reserves the right to remove a student from the facility for suspicion of substance use or abuse including alcohol. The clinical agency reserves the right to request that a student submit to a repeat drug screening at the student’s expense on the same day that the student is removed from the clinical facility. Failure to comply will result in the student’s immediate expulsion from the clinical facility. Further, regardless of testing or testing results, a clinical agency reserves the right to expel a student from its facility.

**NOTE: A student who has been accepted to the Radiologic Technology Program may be prohibited from attending a clinical rotation experience due to findings of a criminal background check and/or drug screening. As a result, the student may be dismissed from the program, and this will be considered one failure in the program. A student may only fail once and be eligible for re-admittance to the program.**

If a student is readmitted to the program after a positive drug test, the student may be drug tested on any random date throughout his/her program experience. On a random date, the student will be sent to a drug screen laboratory for immediate testing. If the student refuses to be tested, the student will be dismissed from the program. If the student tests positive, the student will be dismissed from the program and referred to the Vice Provost, School of Health Sciences.

CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK:

The criminal background check reviews a person’s criminal history. The check will include all cities and counties of the person’s residency reported. The following histories may disqualify an individual from consideration for a clinical rotation: (refer to the [Texas Administrative Code Title 22, Part 9, Chapter 194, Subchapter A, Rule §194.23](http://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.TacPage?sl=R&app=9&p_dir=&p_rloc=&p_tloc=&p_ploc=&pg=1&p_tac=&ti=22&pt=9&ch=194&rl=23))

1. felony convictions.
2. misdemeanor convictions or felony deferred adjudications involving crimes against persons (physical or sexual abuse, assault, unlawful restraint, trafficking of a person, etc.).
3. misdemeanor/felony convictions related to moral turpitude and decency (prostitution, public lewdness/exposure, disorderly conduct, etc.).
4. misdemeanor/felony convictions related to public health, safety, and morals (weapons charges, conduct affecting public health and intoxication and alcoholic beverage offenses).
5. felony deferred adjudications for the sale, possession, manufacture, distribution, or transfer of narcotics or controlled substances; or
6. Registered sex offenders.

 EXCEPTIONS:

If a licensing/registry body (i.e., American Registry of Radiologic Technology or Texas Medical Board) approves the individual to take the licensing/credentialing exam, the individual may participate in the clinical rotation if approved by the clinical site. If you have been convicted of anything other than a minor traffic violation, you must go through the ARRT pre-application process and the Texas Medical Board (TMB) Criminal History Evaluation. The ARRT process can be found on the [ARRT website](https://assets-us-01.kc-usercontent.com/406ac8c6-58e8-00b3-e3c1-0c312965deb2/d67eef6f-1560-49bb-9a49-c958d2a67b67/ethics-review-prepplication.pdf).  The Texas Medical Board evaluation process can be found on the [TMB website](https://www.tmb.state.tx.us/page/licensing-criminal-history). **The ARRT and TMB approval letters must accompany your application supporting documents.** This process can take up to ten weeks. If you intend to apply this application cycle and if you have been convicted of or subject to a deferred adjudication, entered a plea of nolo contendere or guilty to a felony or misdemeanor of any of the above offenses you should start this process immediately. Refer to the [Texas Penal Code Titles 5, 7, 9, 10 & 4.](https://statutes.capitol.texas.gov/Docs/SDocs/PENALCODE.pdf)

For more information regarding the criminal background check and drug testing requirements, please contact the Radiologic Technology Program Coordinator.

1. Students are responsible for their own actions and must not engage in any activities considered non-professional or non-conducive to proper patient care. Failure of a student to maintain a professional attitude may result in reduction of course grade, course failure, and expulsion from the program. A clinical agency reserves the right to remove a student from the facility for any behavior that disrupts the clinical setting or endangers a patient or peer’s well-being. If a student is removed from a clinical site for behavioral reasons, the student will be counseled by the Clinical Coordinator and the Program Director and will receive discipline up to and including dismissal from the program.
2. Students are responsible for their own transportation arrangements to campus and to their assigned healthcare facilities for clinical experience.
3. Please visit the websites below for links to professional organizations and other information regarding the Radiologic Technology profession.   
    [American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT) website](https://www.asrt.org/)

[The American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) website](https://www.arrt.org/)

[Texas Medical Board (TMB) website](https://www.tmb.state.tx.us/page/licensing-criminal-history)

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# K. Estimated Expenses

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Prerequisites | | | |
|  | Dallas County Resident | Out of County | Out of State |
| Tuition/Textbooks | 1,386 | 2,366 | 3,500 |
| HESI A2 Exam | 54 | 54 | 54 |
| Subtotal | $1,440.00 | $2,420.00 | $3,554.00 |

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| Semester 1 | | | |
|  | Dallas County Resident | Out of County | Out of State |
| Tuition/Textbooks | 891 | 1,521 | 2,250 |
| SurPath | 145 | 145 | 145 |
| CastleBranch | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Lab Uniforms | 60 | 60 | 60 |
| X-Ray markers (per set) | 40 | 40 | 40 |
| Trajecsys | 150 | 150 | 150 |
| Subtotal | $1298.00 | $1928.00 | $2,657.00 |

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| Semester 2 | | | |
|  | Dallas County Resident | Out of County | Out of State |
| Tuition/Textbooks | 1,485 | 2,535 | 3,750 |
| Instadose Dosimeter | 90 | 90 | 90 |
| Subtotal | $1,575.00 | $2,625.00 | $3,840.00 |

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| Semester 3 | | | |
|  | Dallas County Resident | Out of County | Out of State |
| Tuition/Textbooks | 1,485 | 2,535 | 3,750 |
| Uniforms (3 recommended) | 180 | 180 | 180 |
| Shoes | 75 | 75 | 75 |
| Subtotal | $1,740.00 | $2,790.00 | $4,005.00 |

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| Semester 4 | | | |
|  | Dallas County Resident | Out of County | Out of State |
| Tuition/Textbooks | 396 | 676 | 1000 |
| Subtotal | $396.00 | $ 676.00 | $ 1000.00 |

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| Semester 5 | | | |
|  | Dallas County Resident | Out of County | Out of State |
| Tuition/Textbooks | 693 | 1,183 | 1,750 |
| ARRT Application | 225 | 225 | 225 |
| MRT Application | 80 | 80 | 80 |
| Pin | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| Picture | 35 | 35 | 35 |
| Subtotal | $1,038.00 | $1,528.00 | $2,095.00 |
| Program Total | **$7,487.00** | **$11,967.00** | **$17,151.00** |