## RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY

Associate in Applied Science Degree

Radiologic Technology is one of the fastest expanding fields in modern health care. Radiographs (X-ray pictures) are helpful in diagnosing and treating medical related injuries and/or illnesses through the use of complex imaging equipment. The people who take radiographs are called radiologic technologists or radiographers. The radiologic technologist is part of the healthcare team who works under the supervision of a radiologist. The radiologist is a physician that has specialized in the use of radiation to diagnosis and treat diseases of the human body.



#### **ABOUT THE PROGRAM**

Radiologic Technology is a 23-month, full-time day career program that begins each fall semester. The program is offered only at the Forest Park campus. This program prepares students for entry-level positions as radiographers. Students must attend full time and successfully complete both the didactic and clinical courses of the curriculum.

Graduates are awarded the Associate in Applied Science degree and may be eligible to continue their education in Computed Tomography (CT), Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI), nuclear medicine, radiation therapy and sonography or pursue a bachelor of science degree in Radiologic Technology. Persons interested in this program should be comfortable working with and caring for people from diverse backgrounds. They should be able to meet the academic and physical demands of the program that requires a commitment of time, effort and motivation.

This math and science intensive curriculum of 75-76 credit hours includes courses in patient care, radiographic positioning, radiation protection, imaging techniques and related subjects. Students learn to use complex X-ray and image processing equipment designed to record images which aid radiologists in diagnosing various health problems. The program includes both on-campus classroom work and clinical education in an affiliated hospital radiology department.

## **BACKGROUND CHECK**

Students (prior to entering the program) must complete a criminal background check and drug screen through a college approved background screening company. Students not passing the criminal background check and/or drug screen may be prohibited from participating in clinical education. This will prevent the student from being able to complete all program requirements for graduation.

### **ACCREDITATION**

The program is accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT), which is located at 20 N. Wacker Drive, Suite 2850, Chicago, IL, 60606-3182. More information can be obtained about JRCERT by calling (312) 704-5300 or going to their website at www.jrcert.org.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Graduates of the Radiologic Technology program are eligible to apply to take the national certification examination of the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT). ARRT is located at 1255 Northland Drive, St. Paul, MN 55120-1155. More information can be obtained about ARRT by calling (651) 687-0048 or going to their website at www.arrt.org.

## **JOB RESPONSIBILITIES**

The responsibilities of the radiographer include radiation protection, radiographic positioning, radiographic techniques, equipment operation and preparing patients for special therapeutic and diagnostic procedures.

## **EMPLOYMENT**

Employment is available in hospital radiology departments, clinics, imaging centers, outpatient surgery centers and physician offices.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

Radiologic Technology Program: 314-644-9613
Health Technologies office: 314-644-9316





#### **ABOUT THE COLLEGE**

Forest Park is Missouri's leading provider of health technology training, offering 13 medical programs ranging from Funeral Services and Diagnostic Medical Sonography, to Dental Hygiene, Nursing and Respiratory Therapy.

We are the premier trainer for the hospitality industry in St. Louis, offering programs in Hotel/Restaurant Management, Culinary Arts and Tourism. The campus houses a \$5 million Hospitality Studies Center, as well as a Center of Excellence in Advanced Networking Technology.

Global Education is a major focus for this cosmopolitan campus, which welcomes more than 700 international students from 70 countries, speaking more than 50 languages. The campus also supports the Harrison Education Center in north St. Louis, offering credit and non-credit courses and contractual training.

Forest Park is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

#### **Accommodations Statement**

St. Louis Community College makes every effort to accommodate individuals with disabilities. If you have accommodation needs, please call the Forest Park Access Office at 314-644-9039 to request needs. Individuals with speech or hearing impairments may call via Relay Missouri by dialing 711.

#### **Non-Discrimination Statement**

St. Louis Community College is committed to non-discrimination in its admissions, educational programs, activities and employment regardless of race, color, creed, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, ancestry, age, disability, genetic information or status as a disabled or Vietnam-era veteran and shall take action necessary to ensure non-discrimination. For information, contact Dr. Thomas Walker, Vice President for Student Affairs, STLCC-Forest Park, 5600 Oakland Ave., St. Louis, MO 63110-1316, 314-644-9212, twalker122@stlcc.edu.

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#### **PREREQUISITES**

- BIO:111 Introduction to Biology I or two semesters of high school biology with labs; MTH:030
  Elementary Algebra or two semesters of high school algebra.
- Math and science cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale (effective 1/1/12). Math and science courses must be completed within five calendar years of entering the program.
- Must have a 2.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale.

	NERAL EDUCATION	CREDITS
BIO:207	Anatomy & Physiology I	4
BIO:208	Anatomy & Physiology II	4
COM:101	Oral Communication I	3 3
ENG:101	College Composition I	3 3-4
MTH:124 PSY:200	Technical Mathematics I or higher	
P31:200 XXX:XXX	General Psychology Missouri State Requirement (see catalog)	3 3
Physical educ	•	2
AREA OF CO	ONCENTRATION	
Fall Semester	·1	
XRT:101	Radiographic Procedures I	5
XRT:111	Clinical Education I	I
XRT:104	Principles of Radiographic Exposures I	3
Spring Semester I		
XRT:102	Radiographic Procedures II	3
XRT:112	Clinical Education II	2
XRT:105	Principles of Radiographic Exposures II	3
XRT:107	Radiologic Physics I	2
Intersession I		
XRT:121	Radiologic Image Evaluation I	2
Summer I		
XRT:116	Clinical Education III	3
Fall Semester		
XRT:213	Clinical Education IV	3
XRT:103	Radiographic Procedures III	3
XRT:108	Radiologic Physics II	2
XRT:122	Radiographic Image Evaluation II	2
Spring Semester II		
XRT:207	Radiologic Pathology	2
XRT:208	Advanced Imaging Modalities	2
XRT:214	Clinical Education V	3
XRT:209	Radiobiology	2
Intersession I		
XRT:215	Clinical Education VI (starts in Intersession II & ends mid-July)	
Summer II		_
XRT:211	Radiologic Technology Review	3
XRT:212	Professional Development in Radiography	2
XRT:215	Clinical Education VI (starts in Intersession II & ends mid-July)  PROGRAM TOTAL	2 <b>75-76</b>

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