

GWYNEDD-MERCY COLLEGE

SCHOOL OF ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS



Radiologic Technology Program

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Welcome to the Radiologic Technology Program at Gwynedd Mercy College. This handbook is your guide to a successful educational career.

As a student in this program, you have the many responsibilities that need to be completed.

Outlined in this handbook are the details of those responsibilities. After you carefully review the policies and procedures, please sign and date the last page and return it to the office of the Campus Coordinator in Keiss Hall, Rm 128.

Good luck on your journey!

Grades

The following Gwynedd-Mercy College courses must be successfully completed with a grade of "C" or better. Anything less than a C (C- or lower) would require that the course be repeated. The courses are:

ENG 101
BIO 107
BIO 107 L
MTH 141 or MTH 142
PSY 100
ENG literature elective
BIO 108
BIO 108 L
PSY 111
PHY 111
PHY 111 L
CIT 101
ENG 200
HS 100 or HIT 109
ENG 200
Lower level Philosophy

Additionally, all Radiologic Technology coursework completed off campus must be successfully completed as per the requirements of the program attended. Information that is program specific is the student's responsibility to understand and to comply with those requirements.

All certificate program requirements must be satisfactorily completed according to each program. Each semester the student will be responsible to submit official copies of transcripts from the certificate program to the college for input into the computer system by the campus coordinator.

All courses must have grades assigned to them prior to graduation. Students not submitting grades on time, may not graduate until this is completed.

APPLYING TO A RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

It is the student's responsibility to make application to approved Radiologic Technology Programs. There are two general options available to students wishing to pursue this career.

OPTION 1:

The first option is the 2+2 Bachelor of Science Degree awarded by Gwynedd-Mercy College. Students may apply to **ANY** Joint Review Committee in Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) accredited **CERTIFICATE** program. Information regarding available programs and program specifics may be obtained at www.jrcert.org. Students need to become familiar with this website immediately following the successful completion of the freshman year. During the summer between the freshman and sophomore year, students are advised to begin selecting a minimum of 3 programs from which to make application. Because each program has specific application requirements, it is advisable to begin the process early. Keep in mind that most programs require official transcripts, recommendations, entrance testing and shadow experiences prior to the interview. Beginning this process before the start of the sophomore year will make the process less stressful during the academic year. Students begin the radiologic technology portion in their junior year. Students remain Gwynedd-Mercy College students during their time off-campus and are permitted and encouraged to participate in campus activities and dorm life. Living on campus is not required. The campus coordinator remains the student's advisor whether the student is on or off campus. On-line course registration continues to take place at Gwynedd-Mercy College and all grades are processed through the registrar's office. Once the student has successfully completed the course of study at the certificate program, a Bachelor of Science in Radiologic Technology is awarded from Gwynedd-Mercy College. Because the certificate programs differ in length, some being 21 months, others being 24 months, the actual date of graduation may vary.

It is the student's responsibility to make arrangements for the Radiologic Technology grades to be submitted to Gwynedd-Mercy College. This must be completed at the end of each semester. Prior to graduation from Gwynedd-Mercy College, students will have a transcript review to assure that all grades have been successfully completed. Questions regarding this procedure should seek further information from the campus coordinator.

OPTION 2:

The second option available to students is the Thomas Jefferson University (TJU) transfer option. With this option, students transfer from Gwynedd-Mercy College to Thomas Jefferson University in their junior year.

TJU is an attractive option for students who have maintained a minimum of a 3.0 GPA in all of their general education and science courses and for those who are able to move at a rigorous pace. TJU offers a multicompetency program in Diagnostic Imaging. Students choose 2 modalities from which to major and complete those modalities within 24 months. Detailed information about this program as well as application information can be found at www.jefferson.edu/jchp.

A student who chooses to attend TJU transfers completely from Gwynedd-Mercy College to TJU and graduates with a Bachelor of Science in Diagnostic Imaging. Students who choose this option must notify the registrar's office, the office of financial aid and the billing office that they are transferring schools. All financial responsibilities must be met by the student in order for transcripts to be released.

Gwynedd-Mercy College **makes no guarantee** regarding admission to any other institution.

APPLYING FOR GRADUATION FROM GWYNEDD MERCY COLLEGE

Students, who choose **Option 1**, must apply for graduation at Gwynedd Mercy College. Application for graduation is not a guarantee of graduation. All student records, transcripts, and financial accounts must be cleared prior to graduation. It is the student's responsibility to assure that all records are complete and that all financial responsibilities have been met. Students may apply for graduation in the registrar's office and need to follow the deadline for application printed in the Gwynedd-Mercy College Catalogue for the dates to apply for graduation. Graduation occurs three (3) times per year at Gwynedd-Mercy College; May, August and January. January graduates are invited to walk in the May graduation ceremonies. Students, who are graduating in August but wish to walk in the May ceremony preceding their graduation date, need to write a letter to the Vice President of Academic Affairs asking for special permission. Generally speaking, if a student has less than 6 credits left to complete, permission is granted, though no diploma is offered at that time.

CHANGE OF MAJOR

Students who are dismissed from a certificate program due to poor academic performance, but who have maintained above a 2.0 GPA, may still remain a Gwynedd-Mercy College student. Students who are dismissed from a certificate program are dismissed from the Radiologic Technology Program at Gwynedd-Mercy College and need to seek another major. Students will need to meet with the Campus Coordinator in order to be assisted in changing majors.

JRCERT INFORMATION

The Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology is the accrediting agency for educational programs in Radiologic Technology. As such, all concerns regarding any program in which they accredit need to be directed to them. Their contact information is:

JRCERT
20 N. Wacker Drive, Suite 900
Chicago, Illinois 60606-2901
312-704-5300

Radiologic Technology Interview Check List

Name: _____

Information	Reviewed Check off
Understanding the BSRT 2+2 Program format	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applying to JRCERT Certificate programs www.jrcert.org • Applying to Jefferson - transfer 	
Access and Use of Gwynedd-Mercy College Email	
Access and Use of <i>Self-Service</i>	
Pre-requisite courses	
Math & English Placement tests	
16 to 18 credits per semester	
Grade of C or Better in all General Education and Science courses	
Overall GPA of 2.5 or better	
Dismissal from Program	
Transportation	
Resident Student/Commuter	
Shadow Experience as required by the Radiologic Technology programs	
Received and understand this handbook	

The Radiologic Technology Campus Coordinator has reviewed the information listed above with me and I understand what will be required during my course of studies. I understand that the Radiologic Technology program is a 2+2 format. The first two years are spent on the college campus and the last two years spent at a JRCERT approved School of Radiologic Technology, which is independent of the college. I understand there is a second option which is to transfer to Thomas Jefferson University, College of Health Professions, Radiologic Science program. In either case, the college does not sponsor/own the programs and does not guarantee admission to the programs that constitute the junior and senior year. I understand that I must make formal application to either the JRCERT approved School of Radiologic Technology and/or to Thomas Jefferson University.

Prospective Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Campus Coordinator Signature: _____ Date: _____



GWYNEDD-MERCY COLLEGE
School of Allied Health Professions

Radiologic Technology
 Bachelor of Science

2+2 with JRCERT Approved Program
 Transfer Articulation with Thomas Jefferson University

2008-2009 curriculum

A student must complete the course and credit requirements as defined on this curriculum sheet to be a candidate for the Bachelor of Science in Radiologic Technology. Additional policies and procedures may be found in the current **College Catalog**. Refer to the reverse side for recommended semester sequence.

GMC: Growing Mercy Connections
GENERAL EDUCATION AND CORE CURRICULUM

MAJOR

I. Skills for Exploring - 6 credits			
FYE 1000	First Year Experience	2	
FYE 1001	First Year Experience Service	1	
ENG 101	College English	3	
II. Exploring Society and Global Diversity – 12 credits			
HIS 2000	Conflict & Consensus in History	3	
SOC 2000	Society & Global Diversity	3	
PSY 100	General Psychology	3	
PSY 111	Statistics	3	
III. Exploring the Natural World, Mathematics And Technology – 18 credits			
BIO 107	Anatomy & Physiology I	3	
BIO 107L	Anatomy & Physiology I Lab	1	
BIO 108	Anatomy & Physiology II	3	
BIO 108L	Anatomy & Physiology II Lab	1	
CIT 101	Intro to Desktop Computing	3	
MTH	141 or 142*	3	
PHY 111	Physics for Allied Health	3	
PHL 111L	Physics for Allied Health Lab	1	
IV. Exploring the Spiritual World – 9 credits			
RS 2000	Encountering Sacred Writings	3	
PHL 2000	Encountering Ethics	3	
	RS or PHL Elective	3	
V. Exploring the Arts and the Imagination – 9 credits			
ENG 2000	Arts and the Imagination	3	
ENG 200	Communication Arts	3	
	LLFA Elective	3	
General Education Elective – 3 credits			
	HIS, SOC, PSY, ENG, ART, MUS Elective	3	

Radiologic Technology – 68 credits			
**HS 100	Intro to Allied Health	2	
RDS 300	Orientation/Intro to Rad Tech	2	
RDS 301	Patient Care	3	
RDS 302	Radiographic Procedures I	3	
RDS 303	Film Screen Image Acq. & Processing	3	
RDS 304	Clinical Education I	3	
RDS 305	Radiographic Procedures II	3	
RDS 306	Digital Image Acq. & Display	3	
RDS 307	Radiation Physics	3	
RDS 309	Clinical Education II	2	
RDS 310	Clinical Education III	3	
RDS 321	Ethics/Medical Law/Human Diversity	3	
RDS 402	Radiographic Procedures III	3	
RDS 403	Radiation Biology and Protection	2	
RDS 404	Advanced Imaging Techniques I	2	
RDS 407	Clinical Education IV	3	
RDS 408	Radiographic Pathology	3	
RDS 409	Advanced Imaging Techniques II	3	
RDS 410	Radiographic Procedures IV	2	
RDS 412	Quality Assurance	3	
RDS 413	Clinical Education V	3	
RDS 414	Registry Review	3	
RDS 415	Clinical Education VI	3	
RDS 416	Radiographic Procedures	3	
RDS 420	Pharmacology and Drug Administration	2	

Credit Requirements

A minimum of 125 credits is required for this degree.

Grade Requirement

The minimum passing grade within the natural science and the concentration is C (a grade of C- is not acceptable).

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*Students transferring to Thomas Jefferson University must take an algebra based math or higher. MTH 235 is recommended.

**Students transferring to Thomas Jefferson University must take HIT 109 instead of HS 100.

² Student must have taken two years of high school algebra and score a "4" on the placement test in order to be eligible for MTH 141 or 142. If a student does not meet these requirements, the student will need to take a lower level math course and then take the required MTH 141 or 142.