



Being a Student in the Radiologic Technology Program

The Radiologic Technology program is demanding and requires a full-time commitment of up to 40 hours per week plus homework. To remain in the program, students must maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA in all Radiologic Technology courses and a minimum 2.0 GPA in all General Education courses; be adequately prepared to meet the challenge; and establish priorities prior to the start of classes.

Outside Employment

The Radiologic Technology program is demanding and requires the full-time commitment of the students.

The program encourages students to consider that outside employment may interfere with the quality of academic performance. It is recommended that students discuss their situation with the program director before accepting outside employment. It is also recommended that students work fewer than twenty (20) hours per week.

Clinical Attendance

Students must complete a minimum of 1,800 hours of clinical education as directed by Arizona state statute and the Arizona Department of Health Services. The requirement of clinical education is considered necessary to complete the competencies needed for eligibility to challenge the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists examination.

Clinical Placement

Clinical placements can be in locations throughout the state and are scheduled for students each semester by the clinical coordinator. Clinical assignments are scheduled during the weekday between 5 a.m. and 7 p.m. with potential evening shifts until no later than 11pm. The clinical preceptor will help determine the starting time of a student's shift. Clinical education may require travel of up to 1.5 hours one way, or possibly more, and is the responsibility of the student. Students are expected to provide their own reliable transportation throughout the length of the program. Schedules will not be based on the student's inability to travel to clinical assignments. In the clinical setting, students will have an opportunity to apply theory to practice under supervision. Students will be assigned to various rotations throughout the program's clinical affiliates. There is fairness in the assignment of clinical rotations for all students in a cohort in order to facilitate access to all the various types of required ARRT competencies. Yavapai College guarantees clinical assignments to all students, but there is no guarantee of a specific clinical-education setting. Although personal convenience cannot be guaranteed, consideration is given to assign students to clinical sites within a reasonable distance from their home. First and foremost, clinical rotations are created and based on the needs of the program and student development.