

Radiation Sciences Baccalaureate Degree Program
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Fall 2023 Accepted Candidate Information

Program Start Date: Fall 2023	Diagnostic Medical Sonography	Radiation Therapy	Radiologic Technology	Nuclear Medicine Technology BS
Number of Applicants	55	22	37	10 Standard; 3 Early
Number of Candidates Interviewed	40	18	36	10 Standard; 3 Early
Number Selected for 2023	20	8	19	8; 3 from 2022
Number Accepted Early for 2024	NA	NA	NA	3
Average College GPA	3.56	3.38	3.36	3.24
Median College GPA	3.62	3.36	3.37	3.30

Job Shadowing Notes:

- Highly recommended as a method for students to learn about Radiation Sciences and help determine the program(s) of interest.
- Applicants will enter the details of their job shadowing experiences on the program application.
- During the application process, a score is awarded according to the applicant's career understanding.
- The quality of the shadowing may be further evaluated during the interview.
- A minimum of 6 hours is recommended for the Diagnostic Medical Sonography and Radiologic Technology programs.
- Job shadowing hours for the Radiation Therapy and Nuclear Medicine Technology programs typically range from 10-20.

Patient Care Experience Notes:

- Hands-on patient care experience is highly recommended as a method for students to learn about a healthcare environment, become comfortable in a caregiving role, and gain patient communication skills.
- Applicants will enter the details of their patient care experience on the program application.
- During the application process, a score is awarded according to the type and length of experience:
 - no patient care experience
 - little patient care (reception desk, etc.)
 - little training but direct patient care (volunteer in the hospital or nursing home helping take care of patients – transport, etc.)
 - training and direct patient care (CNA program) – this is the best option
- Nearly 100% of accepted candidates in previous years have had patient care experience.
- The average number of patient care experience hours varies greatly among accepted candidates (200-800+ hours on average).
- Total hours range from 30-4,000 across all programs. Many had completed a CNA program.