

**RADT 60 Course Outline as of Spring 2011****CATALOG INFORMATION**

Dept and Nbr: RADT 60 Title: INTRO TO RADIOLOGIC TECH

Full Title: Introduction to Radiologic Technology

Last Reviewed: 4/24/2023

Units		Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	3.00	Lecture Scheduled	3.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	52.50
Minimum	3.00	Lab Scheduled	0	17.5	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	3.00		Contact Total	52.50
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 105.00

Total Student Learning Hours: 157.50

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade Only

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly:

**Catalog Description:**

Introduction to the field of radiologic technology, equipment, digital technologies, radiologic and health care practices, and regulatory requirements.

**Prerequisites/Corequisites:**

Course Completion of RADT 100 and Concurrent Enrollment in RADT 61A and Concurrent Enrollment in RADT61.1AL and Concurrent Enrollment in RADT 64 and Concurrent Enrollment in RADT 64L

**Recommended Preparation:****Limits on Enrollment:**

Must be accepted in the Radiologic Technology program to enroll.

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Transfer Credit: CSU;

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## **ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:**

<b>AS Degree:</b>	<b>Area</b>	Effective:	Inactive:
<b>CSU GE:</b>	<b>Transfer Area</b>	Effective:	Inactive:
<b>IGETC:</b>	<b>Transfer Area</b>	Effective:	Inactive:
<b>CSU Transfer:</b>	Transferable	Effective: Fall 1981	Inactive:
<b>UC Transfer:</b>		Effective:	Inactive:

**CID:**

**Certificate/Major Applicable:**

Both Certificate and Major Applicable

## **COURSE CONTENT**

### **Outcomes and Objectives:**

At completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Interpret the general use of X-radiation for medical purposes.
2. List the major equipment and accessories used in a radiology department and its darkroom.
3. List and demonstrate the understanding of operation of the major equipment and components of a digital radiography system.
4. Explain and demonstrate the understanding of the process of X-ray production.
5. Describe and demonstrate basic rules of practicing conscientious radiation protection.
6. Identify and describe the function of the radiographic tube and its components.
7. Compare and contrast basic interactions of radiation on matter.
8. List the personal traits and characteristics necessary of the radiologic technologist in the multicultural health care setting.
9. Define and discuss professionalism and ethics as applied to radiologic technologists when dealing with patients and staff of diverse backgrounds.
10. Examine and integrate the values, technological themes, scientific and research methods used in radiology.
11. Identify and determine realistic career objectives as related to radiology.
12. Conduct research specific to credentialing requirements in radiology.

### **Topics and Scope:**

1. History of Radiology and its scientists

- A. Discovery of vacuum tubes and X-Ray radiation
- B. Major developments in the field of Radiology
- 2. Principles of X-Ray production and its medical use
  - A. Electricity and generator
  - B. X-Ray tube construction
  - C. X-Ray use in medicine
  - D. Digital radiology
- 3. Equipment used in Radiology and its Darkroom
  - A. Description of equipment
  - B. Image Formation
  - C. Film and Processing
- 4. Radiographic Accessories
  - A. Grids
  - B. Screens
  - C. Collimators
  - D. Filters
- 5. Introduction to Radiation Physics
  - A. Atomic structure
  - B. Production of X-rays
  - C. Interactions with matter
- 6. Image Evaluation
  - A. Density
  - B. Contrast
  - C. Detail
  - D. Distortion
- 7. Digital Technology
  - A. Direct digital radiography
  - B. Computed radiography
  - C. DICOM (Digital Imaging and Communications in Medicine)
  - D. PACS (Picture Archiving and Communication System)
- 8. Hospital, Department, National, State, and Professional Organizations.
  - A. Organizational charts
  - B. Relationship of hierarchy and a radiologic technologist
  - C. Professional associations
- 9. Professionalism and Medico-Legal Ethics
  - A. American Registry of Radiologic Technologists code of ethics
  - B. Patient Bills of Rights
  - C. HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act)
  - D. Medical ethics
- 10. National and State Regulatory Agencies
  - A. Radiologic Health Branch
  - B. Title 17
  - C. National Council on Radiation
  - D. Title 22
  - E. FDA guidelines
- 11. Credentialing
  - A. State certifications
  - B. National certifications
- 12. Radiation Safety and Protective Measures
  - A. Self
  - B. Patient
  - C. Other personnel

- D. ALARA (As Low As Reasonably Achievable)
  - E. Shielding
  - F. Precautions for pregnant patients and personnel
13. Patient Diversity in Radiology
- A. Ageism
  - B. Race, ethnicity issues
  - C. Gender issues

### Assignment:

1. Reading of one chapter per week.
2. Research and present a 15-minute PowerPoint presentation on a major issue related to Radiology or patient/staff relations.
3. Complete chapters' worksheets.
4. 5 - 8 quizzes.
5. A midterm examination.
6. A final examination.

### Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

**Writing:** Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Written homework, Reading reports, Chapter worksheets

Writing  
10 - 35%

**Problem Solving:** Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

None

Problem solving  
0 - 0%

**Skill Demonstrations:** All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

None

Skill Demonstrations  
0 - 0%

**Exams:** All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Multiple choice, True/false, Matching items, quizzes, midterm, final

Exams  
50 - 75%

**Other:** Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Oral Presentation - Attendance and participation

Other Category  
15 - 30%

### Representative Textbooks and Materials:

Introduction to Radiologic Technology. Gurley, LaVerne. Current edition. Mosby.

Radiologic Science for Technologists. Bushong, Stewart.  
Current edition. Mosby.  
Instructor prepared material.