

Radiography Program Information

Program-Specific Completion Requirements

In order for the program officials to certify program completion for ARRT eligibility purposes, each student must successfully complete all of the following:

- RADT prefix courses with a final course average of 70% or higher.
- Required clinical rotation hours.
- Published ARRT competency requirements for the Radiography Examinations.
- Terminal competency examinations with a final score of 80% or higher.
- Written terminal examination with a final score of 75% or higher.

Program Grading Scale:

The Radiography Program utilizes the following grading scale for all didactic and clinical courses (RADT prefix). The program grading scale supersedes the TCSG grading scale:

Course final average	Letter Grade:
90 % - 100 %	A
80 % - 89 %	B
70 % - 79 %	C
60% -69%	D (failing grade in program)
Below 60 %	F

- Grades will be issued at the completion of each semester. Students may be advised of their individual course standing / numerical grade prior to the end of semester completion. (instructor courtesy)
- Students must maintain a cumulative course numerical grade average of 70 % or higher in all Radiography Program courses (RADT prefix), as calculated at the end of each semester, to advance in the Radiography Program.
- Students will be awarded the grade of D or F in the Radiography Program for failure to maintain a final numerical course grade average of 70 % in all RADT courses. Students must pass all RADT courses with a “70%” or higher.
- Minimum score of 75% is required on all exams. If 75% is not obtained, the student must remediate and re-test to score 75% or higher. One remediation attempt will be allowed,

but the original grade will be reflected in the gradebook. This process will ensure success on the ARRT national exam.

Eligibility for ARRT Certification

Every candidate for certification must, according to the governing documents, “be a person of good moral character and must not have engaged in conduct that is inconsistent with ARRT Rules of Ethics,” and they must “agree to comply with the ARRT Rules and Regulations and the ARRT Standard of Ethics.”

A criminal proceeding where a finding or verdict of guilt is made or returned but the adjudication of guilt is either withheld or deferred,

A proceeding in which the sentence is suspended or stayed

A criminal proceeding where the individual enters a plea of guilty or nolo contendere (no contest), or

A proceeding resulting in a military court martial

ARRT investigates all potential violations in order to determine eligibility. Additional information may be found on the ARRT website at www.rrt.org.

ARRT also investigates violations relating to:

“The student being subjected to a sanction as a result of a violation of an academic honor code, or suspended or dismissed by an educational program that was attended in order to meet ARRT certification requirements” in order to determine eligibility for certification.

Mandatory Drug Testing and Background Check

In order to provide competent health care workers and be in compliance with clinical agency contracts, each student will be required to submit to drug screening as well as a criminal background check once being admitted into the Radiography Program. Cost associated with these screenings will be paid for by the student. The Radiography Program and the various clinical facilities associated with the program may also conduct random drug screenings.

Positive Drug Screens

It is unacceptable for students to have illegal drugs in their system, to be under the influence of alcohol, or to have levels of legal drugs which are not disclosed and/or for which no prescription can be produced. Positive findings on a drug screen or refusal to submit to a requested drug screen will prevent the student from being placed in the clinical education setting. Therefore, the student will not be able to complete the program.

Diluted Drug Screens

If a student’s drug screen sample is found to be diluted, the student will have one

opportunity to provide an undiluted sample. Any cost associated with the second test will be paid by the student. The timing of the second test will be determined by program faculty.

If the student provides a second diluted sample or refuses to submit to a requested drug screen prevent the student from being placed in the clinical education setting. Therefore, the student will not be able to complete the program.

Positive Criminal Background Checks

If a student has been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony (excluding misdemeanor speeding convictions, unless they are related to alcohol or drug use) they are required to report this to the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists, which is the Radiography certifying agency. The ARRT may decide to act in the denial of the student's application for certification. (See www.arrt.org for the Pre-Application Review of Eligibility for Certification.) The student may also be prohibited from attending the required clinical rotations due to a positive background check, which would prevent the student from completing the Radiography program.

Clinical Education

Number of Clinical Sites: 28

General Location of the Clinical Sites: Bartow, Cherokee, Cobb, DeKalb, Douglas, Floyd, Fulton, Paulding, and Polk Counties

Special Requirements of the Clinical Sites

- Current CPR Certification
- Immunization Records
- TB Test Yearly
- Hepatitis B Vaccination
- MMR (Measles, Mumps, and Rubella) Vaccination
- Varicella Vaccination
- Tdap Vaccination
- Influenza Vaccination Yearly

Clinical Education Courses

The radiologic technology clinical education provides students with an opportunity for in-depth application and reinforcement of principles and techniques in Radiology/Imaging Departments and related business environments. Clinical education allows students to

become involved in a work situation at a professional level of technical application, and require concentration, practice, and follow through. Students may not receive pay from the clinical site for clinical education hours. Students are evaluated by their designated clinical instructor and by program faculty.

Clinical Assignments

Radiology students will rotate through the clinical affiliates each semester. Clinical assignments are made during normal first shift hours, Monday through Friday. Assignments may include second shift (2:30 pm – 11:00 pm) and weekend rotations. Clinical schedules will be distributed at the beginning of each semester. Students may not choose which clinical affiliate they wish to attend.

Students may be asked to travel over one hour from Chattahoochee Technical College's North Metro Campus for clinical rotations. During clinical rotations, the student will be responsible for all transportation.

Professional Liability coverage is paid for by students every semester (\$3.50 fee per semester), and is provided by Mercer Profitability and Liberty Insurance Underwriters Inc.

JRCERT Accreditation and Allegations of Noncompliance

The Radiography Program is accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) and is required to comply with the JRCERT Standards for an Accredited Educational Program in the Radiologic Sciences. Information regarding the program's accreditation status, applicable standards, and the JRCERT allegations process is available through the [JRCERT website](#).

Students, faculty, graduates, and other stakeholders who believe the program may be out of compliance with JRCERT Standards are encouraged to first discuss the concern with the appropriate individual(s), such as the Program Director, Clinical Coordinator, Course Instructor, Dean, or other institutional official, as appropriate. Concerns should be addressed through the College's established grievance, complaint, or due-process procedures whenever possible.

An individual must first attempt to resolve the issue through the program's and institution's established grievance or due-process procedures. Program officials and institutional administrators will be given the opportunity to review and address the concern. Documentation generated through the grievance or complaint process should be maintained whenever applicable.

If the concern cannot be resolved through the program's or institution's established procedures, or if the individual believes the concern has not been adequately addressed, an allegation of noncompliance with JRCERT Standards may then be submitted directly to the JRCERT.

The JRCERT reviews allegations related to program compliance with accreditation standards; however, it does not serve as a substitute for institutional grievance, complaint, or appeal procedures and cannot advocate on behalf of any individual student, faculty member, or complainant. Allegations should reference the specific JRCERT Standard(s) believed to be out of compliance. The status of an individual student, grade appeal, disciplinary action, or grievance outcome is not determined by the JRCERT.

Information regarding the JRCERT allegations process, including the Allegations Reporting Form, may be found at:

JRCERT Allegations Reporting Process

<https://www.jrcert.org/accreditation-for-students/allegations/>

JRCERT Contact Information

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The program prohibits retaliation against any individual who, in good faith, raises a concern or submits a complaint regarding compliance with JRCERT Standards.

Program Length

Radiography occupational courses will be completed in four (4) consecutive semesters.