

**RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY
PROGRAM INFORMATION
&
PREPARING FOR THE APPLICATION**



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Prospective Student,

Thank you for your interest in our program! There are many programs in the area to consider, and we hope that this document answers your questions and helps lead you to a smooth application season! If after reading this, you still have questions don't hesitate to reach out and ask! Choosing where to apply is a difficult and important decision- we hope you choose us!

About the Career

The RSC Radiologic Technology Program prepares you to be a registered Radiologic Technologist, also called a diagnostic radiographer. Upon completion of the program, you will be qualified to take your credentialing exam from the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) in Radiography. You will be able to work in hospitals, medical clinics, doctor's offices, surgery centers, mobile imaging companies, and more. You will perform radiographic exams and procedures to help physicians investigate the conditions of patients. You will also be able to pursue advanced modality training after you earn your initial credentials. This could be in Computed Tomography (CT), Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MR), Mammography (M), Interventional Radiography (IR), among others. Learn more here: <https://www.arrt.org/pages/about-the-profession/learn-about-the-profession> and here: <https://www.asrt.org/beseen>

The average annual regional entry-level salary for diagnostic radiographers is approximately \$55,000. Employment opportunities for registry eligible graduates are very good in the metropolitan area of Oklahoma City, rural Oklahoma, and throughout the United States. Our graduates are highly sought-after and many students have jobs before they graduate.

About the Program

The RSC Radiologic Technology Program began in 1971 and has been accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) since 1972!

Our mission is:

The Radiologic Technology Program meets the needs of the students and the diverse community by providing effective education to students who will possess professionalism and entry-level employment skills in diagnostic radiography upon graduation.

Our Program Goals are:

- Students will demonstrate clinical competence.
- The student will communicate effectively in the academic and healthcare environment.
- Students will demonstrate critical thinking and problem-solving skills.

Our Program has a long-standing reputation of excellence. The JRCERT has us disclose that via Program Effectiveness Date. Our **Program's Credentialing Exam (ARRT) Pass Rate** for the last 5 years is **100%**. The **Program Completion Rate for the Class of 2024 is 84.6%**. Our **Job Placement Rate** for the last 5 years is **100%**. You can learn more here: <https://www.jrcert.org/programs/rose-state-college/> In addition to Program Effectiveness Data, it is important to compare program costs!

Including pre-requisite courses, the Associate in Applied Science in Radiologic Technology is an 86-credit hour program. **There are eight (8) pre-requisite courses** for 25 credit hours and the program itself is full-time six (6) semesters with 61 credit hours. **The courses are consecutive, and class hours and clinical hours are during the day, Monday- Friday.** Classes are generally held from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. every other day. Clinical time is scheduled from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. every other day. The actual days vary with each semester. Upon successful completion of the program, you will be eligible to take the American Registry of Radiologic Technology (ARRT) credentialing exam in Radiography. You can view the Degree Sheet here:

<https://rose.edu/program/radiologic-technology/>



We have a **wonderful classroom** and an **incredible laboratory**. You will get hands-on practice with modern, digital imaging equipment. We have two (2) unenergized systems where you will learn by simulating exams on your classmates. We have three (3) energized systems that you will take images on our radiographic phantoms with authentic human skeletal bones. You will view the digital images you created, and learn how to evaluate your skills, and critique your images. We also have an energized portable imaging machine that you will use to practice bedside imaging. **That is a total of 6 pieces of equipment you will learn on throughout your time in the program.**

We partner with 15 medical imaging locations around the metropolitan area to ensure you get varied, robust clinical experiences and ample opportunities to complete your ARRT required clinical components.



Estimated Cost of the Program- Residential

Fall – 1st Semester

Tuition & fees @ \$170.78 x 12 Credit Hours	\$2049.36
Semester Fees	\$50.00
Liability Insurance	\$15.00
Textbooks (approximately)	\$700.00
Uniforms (approximately)	\$200.00
Lead Markers	\$45.00
Sub-total	\$3059.36

Spring - 2nd Semester

Tuition & fees @ \$170.78 x 13 Credit Hours	\$2220.14
Semester Fees	\$50.00
Sub-total	\$2270.14

Summer - 3rd Semester

Tuition & fees @ \$170.78 x 6 Credit Hours	\$1024.68
Semester Fees	\$50.00
Sub-total	\$1074.68

Fall – 4th Semester

Tuition & fees @ \$170.78 x 12 Credit Hours	\$2049.36
Semester Fees	\$50.00
Liability Insurance	\$15.00
Sub-total	\$2114.36

Spring – 5th Semester

Tuition & fees @ \$170.78 x 12 Credit Hours	\$2049.36
Semester Fees	\$50.00
Graduation Fee	\$15.00
Sub-total	\$2114.36

Summer – 6th Semester

Tuition & fees @ \$170.78 x 6 Credit Hours	\$1024.78
Semester Fees	\$50.00
Sub-total	\$1074.78

Approximate Grand Total

\$11707.68

FEES AND TUITION ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE.

The tuition listed above is subject to change by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education without notice. In the event a fee change is affected, enrolled students will be assessed and billed accordingly. The above information does not reflect the charge for the Federal Background Search, Drug Test, CPR certification, inoculations, and/or titers.

For a more detailed explanation of fees, see Rose State College Catalog.

About the Application Process

The RSC Radiologic Technology Program can accept up to 20 students each application period. This number may be less each year depending on how many clinical spots we have at the time. The application period is **February 1st - April 15th each year.** Applications will not be accepted outside this timeframe.

Our selection process stems on points awarded based on your grades in the eight (8) prerequisite classes, your scores on the ACT and three (3) Accuplacer tests, and attendance of a mandatory applicant orientation. You have the option of submitting evidence of medical related job experience for up to five (5) extra points. And, you will be awarded one (1) additional point if you took 6 of the 8 pre-requisites here at Rose State College. More details about the application are outlined later in this packet under Preparing Your Application. The Point System is at the end of this section.

Prospective students must complete all pre-requisite courses with a grade of “C” or better to be eligible to apply to the program. It is strongly suggested that all interested students contact the Program directly at (405)733-7361 or 733-7569 for questions and/or advisement. Students who completed pre-requisite requirements at a different institution are strongly encouraged to contact HSC Advisors or the Program Director to verify the course meet the requirements for the program. The “C” grade is a minimum, but usually an application’s score is not competitive if there are more than one “C” grade included. Usually, only the most recent score in a prerequisite course is considered when assigning application points.

Three (3) of the **Support and Related Courses** must have been taken within 5 years of your application: Medical Terminology, Human Anatomy, and Intro to Computers. You must have all of the Support and Related courses complete by May of the semester you apply. You can be currently enrolled in them for the Spring Semester, but Summer enrollments will not meet the deadline. Additionally, your Human Anatomy course have an in-person lab taken during the same semester as your course. If you have taken Anatomy & Physiology (A&P) instead of Human Anatomy, you must have completed A&P I and A&P II for your courses to be substituted for Human Anatomy, and you must have had an in-person lab with each of those courses.

You may apply if you have one (1) **General Education Course** remaining, but you must finish that course before you are done with the radiography program in order to graduate. The program is rigorous, and each semester is a fulltime schedule, so it is recommended you complete this final course before the program begins should you be offered a spot.

If you have retaken any course to get a higher grade, I will only consider the most recent course within the requisite timeframe. So, a previously taken lower score will not have an impact on your current GPA calculated for the application. If you have taken courses at other colleges, you will need to submit all your transcripts to Rose State College. Details on how to do that are covered below in *Preparing Your Application*.

You must have an **ACT score** and three (3) **Accuplacer scores** within 3 years of your application. This requirement is for everyone- even if you graduated high school a while ago! More information about how to schedule your tests is available in the *Preparing Your Application* section. It is recommended you begin taking these tests early- just like any test, the more you take it the better you get at it. The higher score you can achieve on each of these tests will give you a higher application score! Please note, you must take the optional Science test for the ACT.

The Mandatory Orientation listed on the Point System is required of all applicants and occurs usually the last week of April or first week of May. Details on the date and time will be in the application itself.

Entry into the Program is based on a **point system** with a possible 100 points total. The minimum number of points it takes to gain acceptance will vary each year based on the competitiveness of the applicant pool. Applicants will be notified of *conditional* acceptance, *conditional* alternate status, or declination starting June 1 of each year. To know the generalities of the conditions you must accept, please see the *About the Commitment if You're Accepted* section.

There are specific **Technical Standards and Physical Qualifications** that are necessary for you to be able to perform to keep yourself, your patients, and the clinical staff safe during rotations. You will also be asked to review our **Student Pregnancy Policy**. Because of our use of radiation and the physicality of our profession, we are required to offer options to students who may become pregnant during the program. There will also be more information about the **Eligibility for Certification from the ARRT** and the ethics process within the application. When you get the application, please read these carefully and ask questions if you are concerned.

Point System

		GPA/Score	Points
General Education GPA		3.6 – 4.0	15
ENGL 1113	English Comp I	3.2 – 3.5	12
ENGL 1213	English Comp II	2.8 – 3.1	9
HIST 1483	US History to 1877 (or)	2.4 – 2.7	6
HIST 1493	US History since 1877	2.0 – 2.3	3
POLS 1113	American Federal Government	< 2.0	0
Support and Related Courses GPA		3.6 – 4.0	25
HSBC 1113	Medical Terminology	3.2 – 3.5	20
BIOL/HSBC 2114	Human Anatomy	2.8 – 3.1	15
PSYC 1113	Introduction to Psychology	2.4 – 2.7	10
CIT 1103	Introduction to Computers	2.0 – 2.3	5
		< 2.0	0
Qualifying Tests	SAT	ACT	
	1420-1600	31 - 36	15
ACT or SAT Composite Scores	890-1410	26 - 30	10
*Must include the Science Section	710-880	21 - 25	5
	<880	16 – 20	3
ACCUPLACER Reading Assessment		290-300	20
		280-289	16
		270-279	12
		260-269	8
		250-259	4
ACCUPLACER Math1 Assessment		290-300	10
		280-289	8
		270-279	6
		260-269	4
		250-259	2
ACCUPLACER Writing Assessment		290-300	10
		280-289	8
		270-279	6
		260-269	4
		250-259	2
Mandatory Orientation		Attended	5
Experience (within the last 5 years)			
X-ray department, more than 3 years		> 3 yrs	5
X-ray department less than 3 years		< 3 yrs	3
Medical more than 1 year		> 1 yr	2
Medical less than 1 year		< 1yr	1
Technical Area Point (6 of the 8 Pre-Reqs taken at RSC)		0 – 1	1

About the Commitment if You Are Accepted

If you are offered conditional acceptance into the program, there are **several requirements you must meet before enrollment day**, which usually occurs in July. These include proof of certain vaccinations and inoculations, CPR certification, proof of health insurance, clean criminal background check, and a negative drug test. More specific details will be given in the application and at the Applicant Orientation. These requirements come from the hospitals, occasionally change, and are not negotiable. **You do not need to do any of these requirements prior to being offered a position in the program.** This is just informational so you can prepare any questions for the Application Orientation.

The Program is required to put together policies that will give each student the best chance of completion of the program. Not meeting the **hospital requirements** prevents you from being fully accepted as you would not be able to complete the clinical portion of the program. Current **proof of vaccination** requirements includes Measles, Mumps, and Rubella, Varicella, Tdap (within 10 years), Hep B, and yearly Flu Shot. It is suggested you complete the Hep A vaccination series, yet this is currently optional. Some facilities require the COVID-19 vaccine. The process for requesting this to be waived from the clinical facility will be disclosed in the conditional acceptance packet. Proof of these vaccinations can be made through shot records or titers.

All conditional accepted students must have **CPR certification** prior to the enrollment appointment. If you are not currently certified, the clinical affiliates prefer American Heart Association Basic Life Support. The course portion may be online, but the skills portion must be in person.

Upon conditional acceptance, you will be sent a link for a comprehensive **Federal background check**. This has a fee associated with it that will be disclosed with your acceptance paperwork. The background check will include a seven-year criminal history, sex offender registry search, education history and verification, previous address locator, and SSN verification. A criminal conviction history does not necessarily disqualify an individual from admission to the program however felony charges and/or convictions may prevent national certification with the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists. If you are concerned about this, you may apply for a Ethics Review Pre-Application, you can learn more about that here: <https://www.arrt.org/pages/earn-arrt-credentials/initial-requirements/ethics/ethics-review-preapplication>

You will be required to pass an **11-panel drug test**. The date, cost, and location of the test will be included in your conditional acceptance documents. A list of the drugs tested will be disclosed at the Applicant Orientation.

Once in the program, **Clinical Rotations** are part of the curriculum. You will be assigned rotations at 5 of our 15 clinical affiliates. The locations you will rotate are determined by the program based on your progression through the program and will be disclosed at the end of the previous semester. You are responsible for transportation to and from all clinical rotations. Fall and spring semester clinicals are scheduled for two and three days a week from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., with 30 minutes for lunch. Summer semester clinicals are scheduled for two or three days a week from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Students are required to adhere to their **clinical schedules**, strict **dress code policies**, and **rules of conduct** set by the institutions and the college while in their assignments.

Didactic (on campus) courses must be passed with a "C" or higher to progress to the next semester. The program adheres to an elevated grading scale that will be explained at the applicant orientation.

Preparing for Your Application

This section has a detailed description of the steps that should be completed and items to be submitted for the application to the Radiologic Technology Program during the application period. To be competitive in the application process, make sure you have taken all qualifying tests and have completed, or are actively enrolled in, all pre-requisite coursework. The application will open February 1 on the “Application” section of our website. The application will close April 15th at 5:00pm. Please note, if you choose to electronically fill out the application, doing so on a mobile device often alters font, size, and margins. Illegible applications will not be considered. The application will contain more specific dates, so be sure to read it carefully.

Worksheet

All steps must be followed before an application will be considered complete. For your benefit, record your information here to use as a guide for the application when it opens.

STEP 1: Admission to Rose State College:

Before applying to the Radiologic Technology Program, you must first be admitted to Rose State College. All other steps rely on this being completed. Do it ASAP. Visit “How to Apply” on the RSC Website for instructions:

<https://www.rose.edu/content/admissions-aid/how-to-apply/>

Record your RSC Student ID# here: _____

STEP 2: Submit Official Transcripts to Rose State College Admissions:

All transcripts from other institutions you have attended must be submitted to the RSC Office of Admissions. It may take **several weeks** for the transcript to be entered into the system. Do not wait to turn in transcripts at the same time as your application. If you have earned all pre-requisite credits from RSC, you do not need to submit this transcript.

If you had your transcripts sent over electronically, you may check to see if your transcripts have been uploaded by viewing your OASIS account.

Sign into OASIS> select *Self Service* from the left-hand navigation bar> select *Academic Records*> *View Unofficial Transcript*.

Under the *Transfer Credits* Section, you will see the names of the colleges and the number of transferred hours. If you have submitted a transcript from a college that is not listed, it means RSC Admissions has not received it. Call Admissions for help: 405-733-7308

STEP 3: Required Pre-requisite Courses:

There are 8 prerequisite courses required for application. All four ***support/related courses*** must be completed by the end of Spring semester that you apply. Preferably all four *general education* courses must be completed by the end of the spring semester of application. A student may apply with only three *general education* courses completed; however, the final must complete the missing course before graduation.

Students must complete all pre-requisite courses with a grade of “C” or better to be eligible to apply to the program.

General Education Courses: (12 credit hours)

ENGL 1113	English Comp I	HIST 1483	US History to 1877	(or)
ENGL 1213	English Comp II	HIST 1493	US History since 1877	
		POLS 1113	American Federal Government	

Support/Related Courses: (13 credit hours)

CIT 1103	Introduction to Computers*	BIOL/HSBC 2114	Human Anatomy*+
HSBC 1113	Medical Terminology*	PSYC 1113	Introduction to Psychology

*Support related courses (*Introduction to Computers, Medical Terminology, & Human Anatomy*) must have been taken within 5 years

+ Support/related courses (*Human Anatomy*) must include a face-to-face laboratory component.

If you are taking, or have taken, your prerequisite courses at another college, your course must be equivalent to the required course. Medical Terminology must be a 3-credit hour course. Human Anatomy must be a 2000 level course (or equivalent) with concurrent, in-person lab. If you have questions about your courses meeting the qualifications, please contact the program director or the Health Sciences Advisor: hsadvisor@rose.edu

CLEP tests or Advanced Placement tests: Prior Learning credits may be used for pre-requisite courses, excluding Human Anatomy. Documentation should be submitted to the Admissions office as soon as possible. Allow six to eight weeks processing time for the results to be counted toward the application data. The Office of Admissions can help with the details. For more information, visit <https://www.rose.edu/content/admissions-aid/admissions-records/prior-learning/> or call (405) 733-7308.

The Program Director requires your actual score earned on CLEP and AP tests. The score must be submitted to fulfill the prerequisite requirement and assign a letter grade on the Program's point scale. Credits submitted without scores will be figured at a "C" level.

STEP 4: ACT or SAT Score:

An **ACT or SAT** Score is required for the application. For program application purposes, scores are only valid for **three years**. A minimum score of **16** is required on the ACT. Additionally, you must take the Science portion. You do not need to take the Writing portion. There is a cost associated with this test.

The National or On-Campus ACT test may be scheduled and taken in the Rose State College Student Services Building; for details visit <https://www.rose.edu/content/admissions-aid/enrollment-and-specialized-testing/act/> or call (405) 733-7320.

On-Campus ACT scores take up to one week and National ACT scores take up to four weeks to receive. ACT test must be scheduled and/or taken before the application deadline so plan accordingly. The application packet will list when the final accepted ACT date is for this year's application period. When registering, you must also select to send your scores to Rose State College.

The SAT is accepted for the application but is not offered at Rose State College. See the SAT website for more information: <https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/digital/digital-testing/dates-deadlines>

STEP 5: ACCUPLACER Assessment Tests:

The Following Accuplacer tests are required for the application. **You must take these tests at Rose State College.** Scores are only valid for **three years**. Accuplacer scores acquired at other educational institutions may or may not transfer, contact the Testing Center for more information at (405) 733-7320 for information or visit <https://www.rose.edu/content/admissions-aid/enrollment-and-specialized-testing/accuplacer/>

Test results are available immediately and entered into your student file on the college database. If the student's assessment scores are below the minimum standard required, we suggest you seek academic advisement for assistance in improving your scores. Scores must be submitted by the end of the application period, April 15th.

Reading Skills: A minimum score of **250** is required.

Math1 Skills: A minimum score of **250** is required.

Writing Skills: A minimum score of **250** is required.

STEP 6: Statements of Understanding:

The application will contain 4 policies, listed below, that you will need to read and sign your understanding. Any questions that you have about the policies will be answered at the application orientation.

- ◁ Conditional Program Acceptance
- ◁ Eligibility for Certification Policy
- ◁ Qualifications/Technical Standards
- ◁ Pregnancy Policy (if applicable)

STEP 7: Professional Orientation:

This is a mandatory step in your application process. The dates for this year's orientation will be included in the application. Failure to attend the orientation will disqualify the application.

STEP 8: Previous work experience:

Work experience in a health-related field in which you have direct patient interactions within the last five years may be considered for a maximum of 5 extra points. If you have work experience you would like considered for these points, you must submit documentation with your application. There is an employment declaration form Included in the application. Some portions are filled out by you and others should be filled out by your immediate supervisor. This is not a recommendation letter; it is an employment verification letter. If you need more than one form, you may print several. Work Experience is awarded as points as a whole, not each job individually.

STEP 9: Administrative Point:

The Administration of Rose State College will award 1 preference point for persons who have completed 6 of the 8 pre-requisite courses at RSC.

STEP 10: Application:

Application must be received or postmarked by the HSC Division office no later than 5:00 p.m. April 15. There will be a method to submit your application via email which will be described in the application. The deadline is the same.