Admission Rubrics and Instructions

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| Observation Scoring              | • Did the applicant observe general diagnostic exams? Yes=10 points/ No=0 points  
                                  | • Did the applicant present himself/herself in a professional manner? Yes=10 points/ No=0 points 
                                  | • Did the applicant arrive on time? Yes=10 points/ No=0 points 
                                  | • Did the applicant demonstrate interest in the patients and their exams? Yes=10 points/ No=0 points  
                                  | • Did the applicant show enthusiasm toward the profession? Yes=10 points/ No=0 points  
                                  | • Narrative: able to articulate duties of a radiologic technologist and describe exams observed. | 60               |
| Assignment in lieu of Observation Hours* | Total points earned/ total points possible 60/60 | 50               |
| Essay                            | Total points earned/ total points possible 50/50  | 50               |
| Letter of Recommendation*        | Total points earned/ total points possible      | 50               |

*rubric attached below
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* Graded on grammar, spelling, depth of development of answers

Total Points Awarded 105

Percentage (Total Points/105)
**Letter of Recommendation Scoring Rubric**

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**TOTAL From Above Characteristic Chart:**

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Recommender Checks Box noting reservations with applicant **OR**

- Checks Box noting not to recommend the applicant for admission: Deduct 3 points
- Recommender is a family member or friend: Deduct 3 points
- Received late: Deduct 2 points
- Incorrect format/letter used: Deduct 2 points
- Missing a page/pages: Deduct 1 point per page
- Received without a signature across the back flap of the envelope: Deduct 1 point

**TOTAL Letter of Recommendation Points**

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Admission Checklist - Radiologic Technology Program

- **□ Done** Complete Radiologic Technology Program Application

- **□ Done** Submit signed and dated Jefferson College Radiologic Technology Code of Ethics form

- **□ Done** Submit reference request form that included names and email of 1 reference

- **□ Done** 4 hours minimum Hospital Observation Submit Evaluation form and Hospital Observation narrative OR IF unable to complete observation Due to COVID restrictions: Please submit the narrative form with requested information if unable to complete observation. Instructions are located on narrative.

- **□ Done** Signed Release for Drug Testing Consent and Release/ Background Check Form

- **□ Done** Copy unofficial transcript and a spring/summer schedule which shows proof of enrollment in pre-requisite (if applicable) and submit with the application packet.

- **□ Done** Read and sign task inventory and essential qualifications form (essential qualifications found in application instructions and rubric packet found on the website)

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Carefully review all pages of application AND document titled “Admission Rubric”. Complete each step of the admission checklist (page 2). Please ensure all steps have been completed prior to the deadline date. No applicant files will be reviewed until after the April deadline. Due to the large number of applicants, the program is unable to provide confirmation of completion of the application. Applications that are not complete will not be reviewed, please ensure all application material are completed prior to sending.

**Sending application:** Complete each page below, keep pages in order and in one document, then attach and send ONE email to radiologyapplications@jeffco.edu. Late application materials will NOT be accepted. Applicants will be notified approx. 2 weeks after the deadline to set up interview and complete essay.
Required Coursework

Students are strongly encouraged to contact Admissions & Student Records to ensure course transferability. Please be advised students enrolled in spring/summer courses will still need to meet grade level and GPA requirements prior to final enrollment into the Radiology Program.

Prerequisite courses- This section must be completed by the end of the summer semester prior to enrollment in the Radiology Program (summer, 2022).

- BIO211 - Anatomy & Physiology I with Lab (with a B or higher)- within 5 years
- BIO212 - Anatomy & Physiology II with Lab (with a B or higher)- within 5 years
- ENG101 - English Composition I (with a C or higher)- within 10 years
- MTH128 - Intermediate Algebra (with a C or higher)- within 10 years
- Either CIS125 or EDU205 - Computer Literacy met by coursework or exam (with a C or higher)
- COL100, COL101 or COL136 - Intro. To College or Mastering the College Experience (with a C or higher) (This course may not be required for students who have previously completed college credit.)

Co-Requisite Courses: This section can either be completed prior to (within 10 years) or within the course of the program (must be completed prior to graduation from the RAD Program)

- HST103, HST104 or PSC102 - US History I or US & MO Govt. and Constitutions (with a C or higher)
- PHL203 - Medical Ethics (with a C or higher)
- PSY101 or SOC101 - General Psychology or General Sociology (with a C or higher)

Students who are completing prerequisites or co-requisite courses at colleges other than Jefferson College must send an official transcript documenting completion of, or enrollment in, prerequisite/ co-requisite coursework for those courses to be recognized as complete/in progress in the selection process.

At this time, the Radiography Program does not accept the transfer of radiology specific coursework from other programs into their curriculum. Credit may be eligible for elective credit as assigned by the college. Please see an Enrollment Services Specialist for more information regarding transfer of credit.

Application Points System

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Non-Discrimination Policy

It is the policy of Jefferson College that no person shall, on the basis of age, ancestry, color, creed, disability, genetic information, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or veteran status, be subject to discrimination in employment or in admission to any educational program or activity of the College. In compliance with Federal Rules and Regulations, Jefferson College has adopted a procedure for resolving complaints of discrimination. The procedure is available to any Jefferson College student, employee, or applicant who feels that he or she has been discriminated against in employment, student programs, or student activities.

The Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act (ADAAA) Coordinator for students is the Disability Support Services Coordinator, Office – Technology Center 101, (636)481-3169/797-3000, ext. 3169. The College Coordinator of Title IX is the Vice President of Student Services, Office – Student Center 205, (636)481-3200/797-3000, ext. 3200.

Students with concerns regarding any alleged discriminatory act or occurrence falling within the provisions of any of the Federal Rules and Regulations other than Title IX or ADAAA as specified above may contact the Vice President of Student Services, Office – Student Center 205, (636)481-3200/797-3000, ext. 3200.

Employees, applicants, or other individuals with concerns regarding any alleged discriminatory act or occurrence falling within the provisions of any of the Federal Rules and Regulations other than Title IX or ADAAA as specified above may contact the Director of Human Resources, Office – Administration 133-E, (636)481-3157/797-3000, ext. 3157.

In addition, if you have any felony or misdemeanor charges, you are advised to contact the Program Director for more information prior to submitting your application. The Radiologic Technology Program’s clinical sites may not allow students in their facilities if a felony conviction is found on their background check, regardless of ARRT ethics board results/investigation.

Students with Disabilities

Students with disabilities who are applying for admission to Jefferson College’s Radiologic Technology Program can utilize support services offered by Disability Support Services by registering with the program coordinator. Students must provide documentation of their disability from a qualified professional in a timely manner to receive accommodations. An Assistive Technology Center is available for students who require adaptive technology and/or additional resources. If accommodations for a disability are needed, please contact the Disability Support Services Coordinator at (636)481-3169/797-3000, ext. 3169. TDD users may call (636)789-5772.

Upon acceptance to the program

Students will be responsible for paying $150.00 for processing, background screening, drug testing and immunization tracking. $50 is paid upon application to the program, the remainder will be paid upon admission. Fees are non-refundable and non-transferable.

Up-to-date immunizations (as listed in the Radiology Technology handbook) are required after admission to the program. Students must have proof, at minimum, of the following: (subject to change with clinical site affiliations)

- MMR and Varicella (chickenpox) - Titers required for documentation
- PPD (TB skin test or blood testing)
- Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis (Td/Tdap) within last 10 years
- Hepatitis B Series
- Influenza vaccination for current year
- Polio series or titers
Ethical Behavior Eligibility Requirement

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The American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) ethical behavior eligibility requirements specify that every applicant for certification must "be a person of good moral character and must not have engaged in conduct that is inconsistent with the ARRT Rules of Ethics," and they must "agree to comply with the ARRT Rules and Regulations and the ARRT Standards and the ARRT Standards of Ethics."

One issue addressed by the Rules of Ethics is the conviction of a crime, including a felony, a gross misdemeanor or a misdemeanor, with the sole exception of speeding and parking violations. All alcohol and/or drug related violations must be reported. Conviction as used in this provision includes a criminal proceeding where the individual enters a plea of guilty or nolo contendere. All potential violations must be investigated by the ARRT in order to determine eligibility. Further information may be found on the ARRT web site in the handbooks for radiography certification.

Individual clinical sites may prohibit students to rotate through their facilities if a felony conviction is found on the background check, regardless of ARRT ethics board results/investigation.

Applicants should be aware of this limitation on certification and clinical site rotation prior to entering the Radiologic Technology Program.

If you have concerns regarding your eligibility to sit for the ARRT examinations, please contact the ARRT at: The American Registry of Radiologic Technologists
1255 Northland Drive
St. Paul, MN 55120
(651) 687-0048  www.arrt.org

Licensure Disclosure

Upon successful completion of the Jefferson College Radiologic Technology Program, graduates are eligible to take the American Registry of Radiologic Technologist (ARRT) certification and registration exam in Radiography. Most states require that Radiologic Technologists graduate from a JRCERT accredited program and are credentialed through the ARRT. No other national registration and certification exams exists for radiologic technologists.

Some states have established requirements regarding state licensure, certification or recognition of the R.T. profession for the performance of medical imaging. Forty-two of the 50 states have regulations regarding radiography. Furthermore, some states do not require any licensure or standards to perform medical imaging exams (Alabama, Idaho, and Missouri). For a complete list of state requirements please visit: https://www.asrt.org/main/standards-and-regulations/legislation-regulations-and-advocacy/individual-state-licensure

Accreditation

The Jefferson College Radiologic Technology Program is an accredited program through the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) and the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools Higher Learning Commission (HLC) and is a recognized accredited program by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists.

JRCERT accreditation was granted on 6/27/18 for 8 years.

More information on accreditation can be found on the following websites: JRCERT, www.jrcert.org and ARRT, www.ARRT.org
Task Inventory

- Review and evaluate x-rays or computer-generated information to determine if images are satisfactory for diagnostic purposes.
- Operate radiologic imaging equipment to produce images of the body for diagnostic purposes.
- Position patient on examining table and set up and adjust equipment to obtain optimum view of specific body area as requested by physician.
- Use radiation safety measures and protection devices to comply with government regulations and to ensure safety of patients and staff.
- Position imaging equipment and adjust controls to set exposure time and distance, according to specification of examination.
- Explain procedures and observe patients to ensure safety and comfort during scan.
- Determine patients' x-ray needs by reading requests or instructions from physicians.
- Take thorough and accurate patient medical histories.
- Make exposures necessary for the requested procedures, rejecting and repeating work that does not meet established standards.
- Transport patients to or from exam rooms.
- Operate mobile x-ray equipment in operating room, emergency room, or at patient's bedside.
- Provide assistance in dressing or changing seriously ill, injured, or disabled patients.

Essential Qualifications

All individuals, including persons with disabilities, who apply for admission to the radiologic technology program, must be able to perform specific essential functions with or without reasonable accommodation. ([https://www.onetonline.org/](https://www.onetonline.org/))

The following outlines the abilities and behavioral characteristics necessary for the student to be admitted to, continue in, and graduate from, the radiologic technology program at Jefferson College. These are standards of admission.

The applicant should carefully review the essential qualifications for the program and ask questions if not familiar with the activities or functions listed. The applicant must decide if he or she has any limitations that may restrict or interfere with satisfactory performance of any of the requirements. It is ultimately the applicant’s responsibility to meet these essential qualifications if accepted into the program.

These requirements are consistent with the employment requirements of our clinical education sites. Each person who completes a letter of recommendation form will also be evaluating the applicant’s ability to meet the Essential Qualifications, and one or more concerns from the person completing the recommendation form may result in the student not being accepted to the program.

Hearing

- Able to hear and understand patients and staff; assess and monitor patient sounds.
- Communicate and interact with patients, staff and families from a variety of cultural backgrounds.
- Follow verbal instructions.
- Use a stethoscope to hear heart and breath sounds.
- Detect and discriminate between sounds of normal conversation.
- Able to hear verbal directions when person giving the direction is not facing the student or is wearing a surgical mask.
- Ability to hear sounds of a variety of equipment alarms and monitors. Hear faint body sounds (for example: blood pressure sounds).
Mobility
- Possess sufficient functional strength and mobility to support and move patients.
- Be able to remain in a standing position for 90 minutes.
- Be able to move quickly from place to place to perform patient care.

- Support and transfer patients safely from bed/table to wheelchair, wheelchair to bed/table, and modify patient position on table or in bed.
- Move in and out of treatment areas.
- Respond to emergency situations in a timely manner.
- Reach equipment and parts of patient's body. Reach above shoulder height to manipulate equipment. Reach below waist level to manipulate equipment. Bend, stoop and squat.

Visual
- Able to monitor and assess patient and equipment function; to provide safe and effective care.
- Read written instruction/orders.
- Read fine print, monitors, and gauges.
- Differentiate between subtle differences in shades of gray. (i.e. radiographic densities such as metal density, water density, fat density, and air density).
- Chart (write) procedures and observations legibly in a permanent medical record.
- Ability to see and discriminate between a variety of equipment visual alarms.
- Ability to observe demonstrations and patients close up and at a distance to learn skills and to gather patient data (e.g., observe a patient's gait, appearance, posture, breathing, etc.).
- Use of depth perception.
- Use of peripheral vision.

Motor Skills (fine and gross)
- Perform multiple motor tasks simultaneously.
- Fine and gross motor skills sufficient to handle equipment and provide safe and effective patient care; steady arm and hand movements while manipulating objects or assisting patients.
- Be able to lift 50 pounds.
- Move, adjust and manipulate a variety of x-ray equipment (including the physical transportation of portable x-ray machines weighing up to 200 lbs.) in order to arrange and align the equipment with respect to the patient and image receptor according to established procedure and standards of speed and accuracy.
- Carry up to 20 lbs.
- Prepare equipment and materials for administration of contrast media and other fluids. Manipulate a syringe and needle to prepare medications and perform venipuncture.
- Prepare equipment to suction patients, and adjust gauges.
- Lift and transport oxygen cylinders; attach regulators; move in and out of treatment areas.
- Push/pull hospital beds; transport patients.
- Lift at least 25-100 pounds (in assisting in patient transfer) and move patients safely.
- Perform airway management and CPR.
- Squeeze with fingers.
- Enter data into a computer (usually done by typing).

Physical Endurance
- Maintain physical tolerance (stand/walk) for an entire assigned shift (typically 8 or 10 hours).
- Able to tolerate leaded apparel for extended periods of time. (Up to 90 minutes.).

Tactile
- Able to assess patient's response to therapy tactiley.
- Distinguish textures, degrees of firmness, temperature differences, pulse rate, vibrations and strength.

Smell
- Detect and distinguish odors from client and environment.
Communication
- Able to communicate in English orally and in writing with patients and members of the health-care team using correct grammar, punctuation and spelling.
- Verbal communication must be clear and easily understood.
- Able to read and comprehend written material in English.
- Communicate verbally in an effective manner in order to explain and direct patients as it relates to their examinations and to physically place patients in proper positions for the examination according to established procedure and standards of speed and accuracy.

Intellectual, Cognitive and Critical Thinking
- Problem solve - able to measure, calculate, reason, analyze, synthesize, integrate and apply information.
- Use long-term and short-term memory.
- Identify cause-effect relationships
- Plan/control activities for others.
- Sequence information.

Behavioral and Social
- Possess the emotional health required to use their intellectual abilities fully, such as exercising good judgment, promptly completing all responsibilities attendant to the diagnosis and care of patients, and developing mature, sensitive and effective relationships with patients and other healthcare workers.
- Candidates must be able to deal effectively with the stresses encountered in nearly 40 hours of class work per week in addition to family and life demands.
- Able to adapt to changing environments, to display flexibility, and to learn to function in the face of uncertainties and ambiguities inherent in the clinical problems of many patients.
- Have compassion, integrity, concern for others, interpersonal skills, interest and motivation.
- Monitor own emotions and able to keep emotional control.

Ethical Standards
- Demonstrate professional demeanor and behavior and must perform in an ethical manner in all dealings with peers, faculty, staff and patients.