

FAQ's

Is the Radiologic Technology Program at Central Arizona College accredited?

- The Radiologic Technology Program is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Universities. The program is also accredited with the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT), www.jrcert.org and listed with the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) www.arrt.org as an approved school.

Do I need all 23 credits of required general education have to be completed before I apply to the program?

- No, a student should render an application regardless of how many credits of required general education have been completed. The more credits of required general education completed, the more competitive a student will be in the admissions process. If a student is not accepted, they receive an additional 3 points for a subsequent re-application.

Where are classes held?

- All major core classes are conducted on the Superstition Mountain Campus, located at 605 S. Idaho Road, Apache Junction, Arizona 85119.

What are the hours and days of the program?

- The program runs Monday thru Friday, generally between the hours of 7am-7pm. First year students attend classes on Mondays and Tuesdays from 7:30am- 2:30pm. Clinical rotations run on 8 hour shifts on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. In the second-year classes are held on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 7:30am- noon and clinical rotations on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays. Focused clinical experiences may be available on weekends and evenings on a voluntary basis for 2nd year students with justification.

What additional fees can a student expect in addition to tuition and books?

- Estimated expenses:
 - Background check with drug test ~\$180
 - Online time and competency monitoring (DataArc) ~\$50
 - Scrubs ~\$50
 - Lead identification Markers ~\$25
 - Health Declaration (signed by physician) ~\$75-\$100
 - Immunizations as needed – cost varies

Can you work while in the program?

- Most students maintain part-time employment during the program. Full-time employment during the program is discouraged.

Does Central Arizona College have a bridge program for Limited Practical Technologists?

- No, the college does not have a bridge program from LPT to RT.

Who does an Advisory Referral come from?

- For a student to receive 5 points for an Advisory referral. The referral must come from an individual on the Radiography Programs Advisory Committee. These are supervisors, directors and clinical instructors that work in a Radiology department the program has an affiliation with.

An Advisory referral is not a referral from a college Academic Advisor.

- What hospitals is the program affiliated with?
 - Banner Baywood
 - Banner Casa Grande
 - Banner Desert
 - Banner Gateway
 - Banner Ironwood
 - Chandler Regional Medical Center
 - Cobre Valley Community Hospital
 - ValleyWise Healthcare
 - Mercy Gilbert Medical Center
 - Mountain Vista Medical Center
 - Carl T. Hayden VA Medical Center
 - HonorHealth Scottsdale Shea
 - HonorHealth Scottsdale Osborn
 - HonorHealth Scottsdale Thompson Peak

When do you accept applications for the Radiologic Technology Program? When is the deadline to apply?

- It is highly recommended that applicants to the Radiologic Technology program attend an information session prior to rendering an admissions application. Applications are accepted May 1st through June 30th for the cohort that starts in January. The competitive admission process is conducted in July. Acceptance letters are mailed to the successful candidates on August 1st.

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Applications will not be accepted or considered if it does not contain: Program Application, all relevant **UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS**, two letters of recommendation, and personal essay. Applications must be received by the deadline date to be considered. Applications are not accepted prior to May 1st or after June 30th.

What documents must be included in an application for admission?

Applications for Admission must include the following:

- Application Check List
- Recommended Certificate of attendance to a radiologic technology information session
- Application for Admission to the Radiologic Technology Program
- All relevant unofficial transcripts of completed general education requirements (must include all grades)
- Two letters of Recommendation
- Personal Essay
- Two (2) letters of recommendation are required with each application submission
- All forms must be complete and legible. Incomplete requests will not be considered. No documents will be returned.

Who should these letters come from and how should they be submitted?

- Letters of recommendation included in an application should be obtained from employers and or educators. They may be submitted with the application or emailed to the Clinical Coordinator, Kayla Davis (kayla.davis@centralaz.edu)

How long is the waiting list for the program?

- CAC Radiologic Technology Program does not keep a waiting list. Entrance into the program is highly competitive and selection is based on point value system. Students who are not accepted may re-apply for the following year. We do not keep copies of applications. If you choose to reapply, you are encouraged to attend a current information session and re-submit a complete application packet.

I have taken General Education courses somewhere else; will CAC accept them?

- Transfer course must have been acquired through an accredited college or university. Military courses and experiences in the Guide to the Evaluation of Educational Experiences in the Armed Services may be transferred if the credits are applicable to this degree program. The Registrar's Office will determine transferability of coursework. Courses in which a grade of less than "C" was earned will not be accepted.

I live outside of Pinal County; can I apply to the program?

- Yes. However, Pinal County residents receive additional points in the application scoring process.

Are radiologic technology courses offered online, nights, and/or weekends?

- Selected major core courses are offered in a hybrid format, all other courses are offered on designated weekdays during daytime hours. Students may have the opportunity to complete nontraditional (night or weekends) clinical assignments on a limited basis.

How long does the program take and does the program run through the summer?

- Students enter the program in a cohort that progresses through six (6) consecutive trimesters taking 2 academic years. Courses are offered annually in three (3) equal trimesters that run through the summer.

Do I need to sign up for the information sessions?

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What is the job outlook of a Radiologic Technologist?

- The program has a five-year 100 percent employment rate.

During the program can I pick the clinical site where I do my clinical rotations?

- The program takes into consideration where the student is located in Arizona. The program director and clinical coordinator try to place students in clinical sites closer to home. However, every student will rotate to a second clinical site, and may deal with driving a long distance to complete their rotations