2024 Radiologic Technology Program and Competitive Application Information

You must have all program prerequisite courses completed before you can make an application to the clinical part of the program.

- Students must have a minimum overall GPA of 2.0 and a grade of "C" (2.0) or better in all prerequisite courses for program eligibility.
- To make an application to this program, you must also be admitted as a student with MSU Billings. You may apply for admission to the college online. If you have question on the application process, call City College Jacket Student Central at (406) 247-3019.
- This program is a fall start program which means the clinical part of the program will start at
 the beginning of the fall semester, and those students will graduate at the end of their
 second spring semester. If you have any questions concerning the program prerequisite
 courses or registration, contact the City College Advising at (406) 247-3019
 or ccadvising@msubillings.edu.

The City College at MSU Billings Radiologic Technology Program is a **competitive program** and the following selection process will be used to select those students who will continue into the clinical courses in Radiologic Technology starting Fall semester.

Admission into this program involves two phases:

- **Phase One** is a point system that will be used to select the top 25 applicants that will progress to Phase Two of the selection process. Details of the point system used for this process are included in the <u>Radiologic Technology Application</u>.
- Phase Two involves a personal interview with the Radiologic Technology Selection
 Committee. Interviews are usually scheduled to occur in June. Those students selected from
 Phase Two will start the core classes that coming Fall term. The decision of the selection
 committee is final.

Essay requirement

Applicants to the Radiologic Technology program will be required to submit an essay. The essay will require students to research the field and explain the multifaceted role of a radiologic technologist. The essay needs to also include how the student believes their personal skills, attributes and aptitudes match up to the role. The committee would also like to know what drives you to pursue this career.

Site Visit

It is very important that applicants to this program have a good understanding of the job responsibilities and what is involved in being a radiologic technologist. That is why we are

requiring students to do one site visit as part of the application process. Please see the "Procedure for Scheduling a Site Visit" link on the radiologic website.

Patient Care Experience

It is also very important that you understand what is involved in providing quality patient care. Patient care, and how you treat your patient, is just as important as the quality of the x-ray images you produce. Therefore, it is important that you have experience in patient care. This patient care experience can include various roles in the healthcare field in locations such as hospitals, nursing homes, and other clinical setting or a significant amount of volunteer work. This experience should involve *direct* contact with patients. Not everyone is suited for work with ill patients and you need to have some idea if this is really something you want to do.

Physics Course

If you have not taken a physics class in high school or college, it is strongly recommended that you complete a 3-credit college course in physics. For those attending MSU Billings, we recommend PHXS 103 Our Physical World. This physics course is not a required prerequisite course, but the knowledge obtained from this course will be very helpful when taking the two physics courses, AHXR 108 and AHXR 225, which are part of the program curriculum. It is also recommended that you take Anatomy and Physiology II before you make application to the program. *Completing the Physics and/or A&P II lecture courses can earn you 1/4 point Phase I point system.*

Contact Information

Be sure to keep your contact information updated with City College Admissions Office. If either your permanent or current contact information changes, please contact City College Admissions at ccadmissions@msubillings.edu to update your information. In most cases this site will contain the most complete and up to date information about the application process.

Application deadlines are strictly adhered to so be sure to be aware of the Competitive Application deadline noted on the website.

Applicants that fail to submit all required application documents will not be considered in the competitive application process.

If you have any questions or concerns about the application process or the program, please contact the <u>City College Advising</u> at 406-247-3019 or ccadvising@msubillings.edu

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