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RADT - Radiography

**Course Number:** 

2921

Title:

Clinical Radiography III

## **Catalog Description:**

Directed practice experience in the hospital environment. Competency-based training and evaluation on radiographic equipment and procedures. This is a capstone course in radiography to hone medical imaging and critical thinking skills in all imaging areas.

## Credit Hour(s):

5

#### Lecture Hour(s):

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# Other Hour(s):

400

## Other Hour Details:

Directed Practice: 400 hours; This includes 16 hours of embedded lecture delivered at the clinical site

# Requisites

# **Prerequisite and Corequisite**

RADT-2911 Clinical Radiography II, and departmental approval: admission to program.

#### **Outcomes**

## Course Outcome(s):

A. Demonstrate professionalism in carrying out the functions and responsibilities of an advanced student radiographer under direct and indirect supervision.

## **Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:**

Not Applicable: No Essential Learning Outcomes mapped. This course does not require application-level assignments that demonstrate mastery in any of the Essential Learning Outcomes.

# Objective(s):

- a. Exercise the priorities required in daily clinical practice.
- b. Adhere to team practice concepts that focus on organizational theories, roles of team members and conflict resolution.
- c. Describe the role of the healthcare team members in responding/reacting to a local or national emergency.
- d. Integrate appropriate personal and professional values into clinical practice.
- e. Recognize the influence of professional values on patient care.
- f. Apply the principles of total quality management.
- g. Maintain patient confidentiality standards and meet Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) requirements.

## Course Outcome(s):

B. Perform patient care through appropriate action and communication with diverse populations under direct and indirect supervision.

# **Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:**

Not Applicable: No Essential Learning Outcomes mapped. This course does not require application-level assignments that demonstrate mastery in any of the Essential Learning Outcomes.

## Objective(s):

- a. Execute medical imaging procedures under the appropriate level of supervision.
- b. Provide patient-centered clinically effective care for all patients regardless of their age, gender, disability, special needs, ethnicity or culture.
- c. Integrate the use of appropriate and effective written, oral and nonverbal communication with patients, the public and members of the health care team in the clinical setting.
- d. Use patient and family education strategies appropriate to the comprehension level of the patient/family.
- e. Provide desired psychosocial support to the patient and family.
- f. Demonstrate competent assessment skills through effective management of the patient's physical and mental status.
- g. Respond appropriately to medical emergencies.
- h. Assess the patient and record clinical history.
- i. Demonstrate basic life support procedures as evidenced by current valid CPR card.
- j. Use appropriate charting methods.
- k. Apply standard and transmission-based precautions.
- I. Apply the appropriate medical asepsis and sterile technique.
- m. Demonstrate the principles of transferring, positioning and immobilizing patients.
- n. Recognize life-threatening ECG tracing.

#### Course Outcome(s):

C. Adapt procedures to meet age specific, disease specific, and cultural needs of patients.

## **Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:**

Not Applicable: No Essential Learning Outcomes mapped. This course does not require application-level assignments that demonstrate mastery in any of the Essential Learning Outcomes.

#### Objective(s):

- a. Recognize how a person's cultural beliefs toward illness and health affect their health status.
- b. Recognize demographic factors that influence patient compliance with medical care.

## Course Outcome(s):

D. Perform radiographic procedures using radiation safety, safe equipment operation and patient safety under direct and indirect supervision.

#### **Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:**

Not Applicable: No Essential Learning Outcomes mapped. This course does not require application-level assignments that demonstrate mastery in any of the Essential Learning Outcomes.

## Objective(s):

- a. Demonstrate competency in the principles of radiation protection standards.
- b. Select technical factors to produce quality diagnostic images with the lowest radiation exposure possible.
- c. Adhere to national, institutional and department standards, policies and procedures regarding care of patients, providing radiologic procedures and reducing medical errors.
- d. Report equipment malfunctions.
- e. Demonstrate safe, ethical and legal practices.
- f. Comply with departmental and institutional response to emergencies, disasters and accidents.

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## Course Outcome(s):

E. Employ critical thinking and problem solving to routine and non-routine procedures under direct and indirect supervision.

#### **Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:**

Not Applicable: No Essential Learning Outcomes mapped. This course does not require application-level assignments that demonstrate mastery in any of the Essential Learning Outcomes.

#### Objective(s):

- a. Critique images for appropriate anatomy, image quality and patient identification.
- b. Determine corrective measures to improve inadequate images.
- c. Differentiate between emergency and non-emergency procedures.
- d. Examine procedure orders for accuracy and make corrective actions when applicable.
- e. Integrate the radiographer's practice standards into clinical practice setting.
- f. Adapt to changes and varying clinical situations.

## Course Outcome(s):

F. Prepare to transition from the role of the student to that of the radiographer.

## **Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:**

Critical/Creative Thinking: Analyze, evaluate, and synthesize information in order to consider problems/ideas and transform them in innovative or imaginative ways.

## Objective(s):

- a. Discuss credentialing, national certification and registration and state licensure.
- b. Distinguish the types, purposes and functions of professional organizations.
- c. Discuss career opportunities and advancement for the radiographer.
- d. Identify the benefits of continuing education as related to improved patient care and professional development.
- e. Complete a sample application for employment.
- f. Prepare a resume, cover letter and follow up letter in preparation for employment.
- g. Prepare for the interview process and employment in the field of medical imaging.
- h. Summarize education to include ethical and professional values and growth.
- i. Describe goals and plans for life-long learning and professional development.
- j. Evaluate a clinical situation utilizing critical thinking and problem solving skills and its effect on the medical care of the patient.
- k. Describe approach when working with and teaching students as a registered radiographer.
- I. Review for American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) certification examination.

#### Methods of Evaluation:

- a. Exam competency
- b. Evaluation of Technical Skills and Behavior
- c. Student Conferences
- d. Portfolio assignments
- e. Portfolio
- f. Mock certification exams

# **Course Content Outline:**

- a. Professionalism
  - i. Standards of Ethics and Professional Behavior
    - 1. American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) Standard of Ethics incident reporting mechanisms
    - 2. Student supervision
      - a. Direct
      - b. Indirect
    - 3. The patient's expectations, rights and responsibilities
    - 4. The radiographer's professional responsibilities
  - ii. Professional communication

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  - 1. Patients
  - 2. Patient's family or authorized representatives
  - 3. Health care team
  - 4. Confidentiality of patient records (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act [HIPAA] compliance)
  - iii. Radiography Practice Standards
    - 1. Scope of Practice
    - 2. Clinical Performance Standards
    - 3. Quality Performance Standards
    - 4. Professional Performance Standards
    - 5. American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT) Advisory Opinion Statements
    - 6. ASRT's Best Practices in Digital Radiography
  - iv. Values
    - 1. Personal
      - a. Values development
      - b. Effect on patient care
    - 2. Societal
      - a. Rights and privileges
      - b. Community values
      - c. Effect on patient care
    - 3. Professional
      - a. Values development
      - b. Values conflict
      - c. Effect on patient care
      - d. Effect on social media
  - v. Professional Development and Advancement
    - 1. Required
      - a. Continuing education
      - b. Continuing qualifications requirement (CQR)
    - 2. Clinical Experience
    - 3. Continuing education opportunities
      - a. Post primary certification
      - b. Collegiate/educational programs
      - c. Self-learning activities
      - d. Professional conferences
      - e. Webinars
      - f. Other (e.g., vendor programs)
    - 4. Employment considerations
      - a. Geographic mobility
      - b. Economic factors
      - c. Workforce needs
    - 5. Advancement opportunities
      - a. Education
      - b. Administration
      - c. Advanced practice
      - d. Medical physics
      - e. Research
      - f. Industrial
      - g. Medical informatics
      - h. Sales/applications
      - i. Safety Officer
  - vi. Diversity, equity and inclusion
    - 1. Diversity concepts
      - a. Individual
      - b. Population
      - c. Social
    - 2. Socioeconomic factors
    - 3. Gender identity/expression
    - 4. Ethnicity (e.g., language)
    - 5. Race

- 6. Age
  - a. Infant
  - b. Child
  - c. Adolescent
  - d. Young adult
  - e. Middle-aged
  - f. Geriatric
- 7. Family structure and dynamics
- 8. Geographical factors
- 9. Religion, spirituality and belief system
- 10. Lifestyle choices and behaviors
- 11. Sexual orientation
- 12. Disability
- 13. Equity
  - a. Structural racism
  - b. Social justice
- 14. Culture of inclusion
  - a. Environmental
  - b. Organizational
- b. Procedural Performance
  - i. Scheduling and sequencing of exams
  - ii. Order/requisition evaluation and corrective measures
  - iii. Facilities setup
  - iv. Patient assessment, clinical history, education and care
    - 1. Patient monitoring- emergency and non-emergency
      - a. Vital signs
      - b. Assessment and clinical history
      - c. Equipment
      - d. Patient emergencies
    - 2. Patient privacy and confidentiality (HIPAA)
    - 3. Documentation
    - 4. Infection control
      - a. Personal protective equipment (PPE)
        - i. Types
        - ii. Proper use
    - 5. Patient education
      - a. Appropriate communication style
      - b. Age specific
      - c. Cultural sensitivity
      - d. Socioeconomic sensitivity
      - e. Patient centered care
    - 6. Medical error reduction
    - 7. Patient safety considerations
  - v. Imaging
    - 1. Positioning considerations
    - 2. Technical considerations
    - 3. Image acquisition
    - 4. Image analysis
  - vi. Radiation protection
    - 1. Principles (ALARA)
    - 2. Radiation safety practices

- a. Protection of the patient (American Association of Physicists in Medicine [AAPM] recommendations)
- b. Protection of personnel
- c. Protection of others

#### vii. Education

- 1. Patient, family members or authorized representatives
- 2. Other members of the healthcare team

#### viii. Equipment and accessories

- ix. Exam specific protocols according to ARRT Clinical Competency Requirements
  - 1. Extremities
    - a. Upper extremities
    - b. Lower extremities
  - 2. Thorax, abdomen and pelvis
    - a. Chest
    - b. Abdomen
    - c. Intravenous urography
    - d. Pelvis and hip
    - e. Ribs
    - f. Sternum
    - g. Sternoclavicular joints
    - h. Soft tissue neck
  - 3. Gastrointestinal (GI) procedures
    - a. Contrast enemas (single or double contrast)
    - b. Esophageal studies
    - c. Small bowel series
    - d. Swallowing dysfunction studies
    - e. Upper GI series (single or double contrast)
  - 4. Mobile radiography
    - a. Chest
    - b. Abdomen
    - c. Extremities
    - d. Cranium
    - e. Other
  - 5. ER/trauma and general procedures
    - a. Chest
    - b. Abdomen
    - c. Extremities
    - d. Cranium
    - e. Spines
    - f. Other
  - 6. Spine
    - a. Cervical spine
    - b. Thoracic spine
    - c. Lumbar spine
    - d. Sacrum and coccyx
    - e. Scoliosis series
    - f. Sacroiliac joints
  - 7. Head
    - a. Facial bones
    - b. Mandible
    - c. Nasal bones
    - d. Orbits
    - e. Paranasal sinuses
    - f. Skull
    - g. Temporomandibular joints
  - 8. Specialized contrast procedures
    - a. Arthrography
    - b. Cystography

- c. Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatogram (ERCP)
- d. Hysterosalpingography (HSG)
- e. Myelography
- f. Selective contrast procedures
- 9. Surgical Procedures
  - a. C-arm procedures
  - b. Cystourethrography
  - c. Orthopedic procedures
  - d. Pacemaker insertion
  - e. Pain management
  - f. Retrograde urography
  - g. Spinal procedures
  - h. Surgical cholangiography
  - i. Other surgical procedures
- 10. Computed tomography (CT) procedures
  - a. Abdomen
  - b. Chest
  - c. Head
  - d. Spines
  - e. Other special studies
- 11. Observational areas
  - a. Interventional radiography
  - b. Mammography

## Resources

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