# ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

In addition to the admission requirements for SCF, the following are requirements for admission to the Radiography Program.

- Earned grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or better in ALL general education courses required by the program toward the degree and a minimum overall GPA of 2.0 to meet graduation requirements.
- 2. Satisfactory completion of any remedial course work needed to be eligible for college-level courses. NOTE: Prerequisite courses may be required for ENC 1101 and Mathematics. These prerequisite courses MUST be taken PRIOR to entering RTE 1002. Consult the course descriptions in the Catalog or the specific department of the College for additional information.
- Completion of the prerequisite courses with a grade of "C" or better by the end of the Fall term prior to the year of application to the program.

BSC 2085C Anatomy and Physiology I Any Area II Math course for the A.S. degree

- 4. A minimum grade of "C" is required for all courses applied to the radiography degree.
- Verification of attendance at a Radiography Program Virtual Information Session which can be accessed at the Radiography homepage: SCF.edu/Radiography.
- 6. A completed application for the Radiography Program and the nonrefundable program application fee of \$35. The application fee is per program and valid for three calendar years (Jan. - Dec.). Applications submitted after December 31 of the third calendar year will require another \$35 application fee. (A separate application is required for admission to the College).

Students are admitted to the Radiography Program once a year with classes beginning in the Summer term. This is a **LIMITED** enrollment program. The Radiography Program consists of both classroom and clinical experiences. Completion of all or part of the general academic courses required for the degree does not guarantee acceptance into the program. Priority is given to applicants who have completed the **MOST** required hours of coursework toward the degree by the end of the Fall term preceding the year for which the applicant is applying. If there are more qualified applicants than seats available in the program, the primary criteria for selection is the GPA of the general education courses required by the program. The secondary selection criteria is the overall college GPA. Applications are reviewed and the admission decision is communicated to the student via SCF student email account. Students not accepted may reapply for Radiography Program admission for the Upon acceptance, the following are required: background checks, finger-

Upon acceptance, the following are required: background checks, finger-printing, appropriate vaccinations, CPR certification, and health and drug screenings to meet local health care agency regulations. Based on the results of these checks and screenings, students may become ineligible for program admission. Continuation in the program is based on acceptable results from random/ongoing screenings and background checks. Clinical facilities may limit or prohibit students with positive drug screen results or criminal histories from participating in clinical experiences, thus making the student ineligible to continue in the program. Students are responsible for all fees incurred with these checks and screenings. Students enrolled should understand that the required clinical experience in various health care facilities may expose them to environmental hazards and infectious diseases, including, but not limited to COVID-19, tuberculosis, hepatitis B and HIV/AIDS.

# **RADIOGRAPHY**

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For information regarding accreditation status and program effectiveness data, please visit: SCF.edu/Radiography



**ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE** 



The SCF Radiography Program is fully accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology, 20 N. Wacker Drive, Suite 2850, Chicago. IL 60606-3182, 312-704-5300, www.ircert.org.

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### RADIOGRAPHY PROGRAM

#### **Program Mission Statement**

The mission of the Radiography Program is to provide the community with competent and caring entry level radiographers who are able to perform quality radiographic procedures and function as an integral member of a health care team. In order to achieve this, the program provides students with innovative educational opportunities to prepare for a rewarding career in radiologic technology.

#### What would you do as a radiographer?

As a radiographer, you'll perform diagnostic examinations to produce radiographic images that are used to diagnose disease and treat patients. You'll also prepare patients for radiographic exams, determine safe exposure limits, gather clinical data and provide appropriate care. Together, with physicians and other members of a team, you'll help elevate the quality of medical care. On a dayto-day basis, you can expect to:

- Position patients while manipulating equipment and adjusting controls to produce diagnostic quality images.
- Assist the radiologist in performing specialized imaging procedures.
- Document diagnostic and patient information according to established criteria and procedures.

Radiographers work in a variety of settings including hospitals, diagnostic centers, doctor's offices, clinics and orthopedic practices. Advanced career options in education, administration and research are also possible.

The program goals are that after successful completion of the program, you will:

- Be clinically competent.
- Demonstrate effective communication.
- Utilize effective critical thinking skills.
- Demonstrate professionalism.

#### What kind of salary could you earn as a radiographer?

The 2022 national median pay for radiographers was \$61,900 per year, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Salary range can vary depending on many factors, including where you live, your level of education and the type of health care facility in which you work. Overall, employment of radiologic technologists is projected to grow faster than average for all occupations through at least 2029.

#### What kind of education do you need to become a radiographer?

To prepare for a career in radiography, students are educated in anatomy, patient positioning, examination techniques, equipment protocols, radiation safety, radiation protection and basic patient care. During the program, students are rotated through several different health care facilities that are located within a 50-mile radius of SCF Bradenton in order to obtain direct clinical experience. Student clinical rotations are scheduled on weekdays and can occur between the hours of 7 a.m. and 8 p.m., depending on the schedule of the facility.

## **►FINANCE**

#### What will you pay to get your degree?

The cost of the program includes tuition, fees, textbooks and uniforms. Course fees also include student liability insurance and laboratory supplies. The specific cost per term varies from year-to-year and depends on the number and type of courses taken. Current cost information is available at SCF.edu/Radiography.

#### What financial help is available?

Financial aid at SCF is available in the form of grants, loans, scholarships and part-time employment. Information about financial aid, application forms and assistance in completing the forms may be obtained from the SCF Financial Aid office. Financial aid advisors are ready to help you. Contact them at 941-752-5037, email AskFinAid@SCF.edu or visit SCF.edu/FinancialAid.

#### Is there a licensure requirement?

Upon completion of the program, graduates are eligible to take the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) exam to become a registered radiographer. The ARRT promotes high standards of patient care by recognizing qualified individuals in medical imaging.

The State of Florida Department of Health regulates and licenses radiologic technologists to practice in Florida following guidelines established by state statute. After successful completion of the ARRT exam, graduates are eligible for licensure in the State of Florida.

Note: If an applicant has been convicted, had any adjudication withheld, or had any criminal charges in the past other than a minor traffic violation, the applicant should contact the ARRT to determine exam eligibility.

# **► CURRICULUM PLAN**

Students are encouraged to complete as many of the academic courses listed below **BEFORE** entering the Radiography Program in order to ease their load after they are in the program.

Required Academic Courses	Term Hou
ENC 1101 Written Communication I	3
POS 1041 American Government or	
AMH 1020 U.S. History 1877 to present	3
Math* Any Area II Math course for A.S. degree	3
BSC 2085C* Anatomy and Physiology I	4
BSC 2086C Anatomy and Physiology II	4
PHI 2600 Applied Ethics	3
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\*These prerequisite courses MUST be completed PRIOR to entry into RTE 1002 Introduction to Radiologic Technology.

Required Radiography Courses	Term Hour
RTE 1002 Intro to Radiologic Technology (Sum)	5
RTE 1308 Radiation Protection and Safety (Sum)	2
RTE 1001 Medical Terminology for Radiographers (S	um) 1
RTE 1503C Radiographic Procedures I (Fall)	4
RTE 1418 Radiographic Exposures I (Fall)	5
RTE 1804L Practicum I (Fall)	3
RTE 1513C Radiographic Procedures II (Spr)	4
RTE 1458 Radiographic Exposures II (Spr)	5
RTE 1930 Seminar in Radiography (Spr)	1
RTE 1814L Practicum II (Spr)	3
RTE 1824C Practicum III (Sum)	4
RTE 2762 Cross-Sectional Anatomy (Fall)	2
RTE 2523C Radiographic Procedures III (Fall)	4
RTE 2834L Practicum IV (Fall)	4
RTE 2931 Radiographic Image Analysis (Fall)	1
RTE 2563 Radiologic Procedures IV (Spr)	4
RTE 2844L Practicum V (Spr)	4
RTE 2061 Radiologic Review (Spr)	1
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**Total Hours: 77** 

