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NEWSLETTER

RANDOLPH COMMUNITY COLLEGE
RADIOGRAPHY

Fall 2026

Randolph Community College



STUDENT SCHEDULES

➤ **2nd Year Students**

- Class: Tuesdays and Thursdays, **please email Anna if you would like to schedule a date to talk to the 2nd year group**
- Clinical: Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays
- Some students will also complete Tuesday and Thursday afternoon clinical rotations

➤ **1st Year Students**

- Class and Lab: Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.
- Clinical education begins October 14, Days: Tuesday and Thursday

RADIOGRAPHY STUDENTS GIVE BACK

Students from the Randolph Community College Radiography Program recently volunteered at a local bicycle race in support of Operation Red Sleigh, a community initiative dedicated to providing assistance to local families during the holiday season.

Throughout the event, students helped with race operations while representing the program with professionalism, teamwork, and a commitment to service. Their participation not only contributed to the success of the fundraiser but also reflected the caring spirit that is an important part of the radiography profession.

The Radiography Program is proud of its students for giving back to the community and supporting organizations that make a positive impact on the lives of others. Their volunteer efforts demonstrate that compassionate patient care begins with a commitment to serving others, both inside and outside the clinical environment.

The Radiography Program is also looking forward to continuing its partnership with Operation Red Sleigh by volunteering at the organization's Day of Giving event this fall. Students and faculty are excited for another opportunity to support local families and make a meaningful difference in the community through service.

RCC Radiography Program Welcomes 26 New Students

The RCC Radiography Program is proud to announce the admission of 26 new students who will begin their educational journey toward becoming radiologic technologists this fall. This incoming class represents the next generation of healthcare professionals, and we are excited to support them as they develop the knowledge, skills, and compassion needed to provide exceptional patient care.

To kick off their clinical education, the program will host its Clinical Orientation on October 8. This event marks an important milestone as students prepare to begin learning in real-world healthcare settings alongside experienced imaging professionals.

Our clinical partners are invited to join us at 10:00 a.m. for this special occasion. Partners will have the opportunity to meet the new class and introduce students to their clinical sites. This is an excellent opportunity to share information about your facility, discuss what students can expect during their clinical rotations, and begin building the relationships that are so important to a successful clinical experience.

Following the orientation, we invite our clinical partners to stay for lunch with our senior radiography students. During this informal networking session, partners will have the opportunity to share valuable insights on career development, resume writing, interviewing skills, and the transition from student to practicing professional.

The RCC Radiography Program is grateful for the continued support and commitment of our clinical partners. Together, we are preparing the next generation of radiologic technologists, and we look forward to welcoming everyone on October 8 at 10:00 a.m. for a day of learning, collaboration, and professional growth. **Please RSVP to Anna if you would like to attend (anphillips@randolph.edu)**

Fall 2026 Radiography Program Important Dates

- **August 17** – Fall Semester Begins
- **August 17- Sept 3-**RAD program food drive to benefit the RCC campus pantry
- **August 27**- Advisory Committee Meeting, 3pm (in person and virtual option)
- **September 7** – Labor Day (College Closed – No Clinical)
- **September 18-** RAD club participating in Carnival of Hope
- **October 8** – First-Year Student Clinical Orientation and 2nd year mentor meeting
- **October 13** – RCC Fall Break (No Clinical)
- **October 14** – First-Year Students Begin Clinical Rotations & Second-Year Students Transition to New Clinical Assignments
- **November 10**- Radiating Love Cup (tenatively scheduled)
- **November 26–29** – Thanksgiving Break (College Closed)
- **December 12** – End of Fall Semester
- **December 12**- RAD club participating in a "Day of Giving" with Operation Red Sleigh

ADVANCE YOUR CAREER WITH RCC'S MEDICAL IMAGING CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

Randolph Community College is proud to offer Post-Primary Certificate Programs in Computed Tomography (CT), Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI), and Mammography for registered radiologic technologists looking to expand their knowledge and advance their careers.

Designed for working professionals, these flexible programs combine online coursework with supervised clinical experience, allowing students to develop the specialized knowledge and clinical competencies required for post-primary certification. Each program is aligned with current ARRT content specifications and prepares technologists for success in today's evolving medical imaging environment.

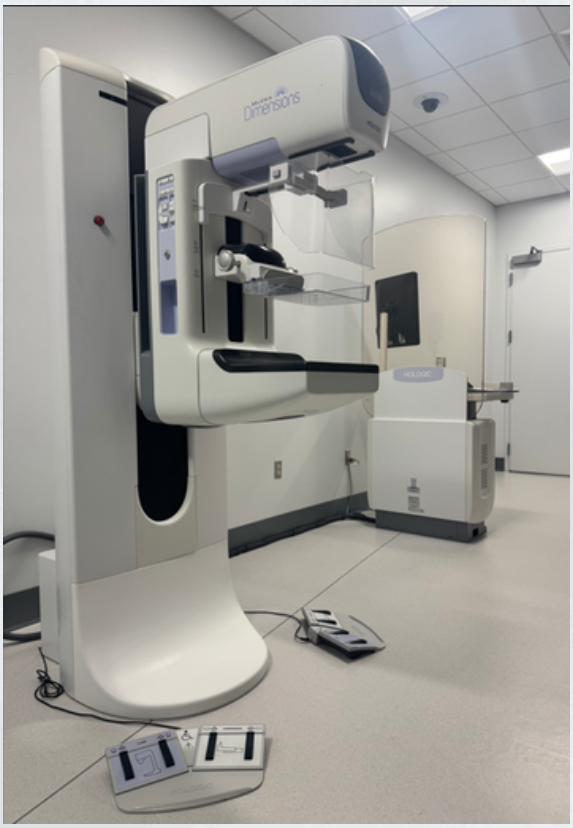
Our clinical partners play a vital role in the success of these programs by providing students with valuable hands-on learning experiences. We sincerely appreciate the continued support of our affiliated clinical sites and the dedicated technologists who serve as mentors and clinical instructors. Your commitment helps prepare the next generation of advanced imaging professionals while strengthening the medical imaging workforce throughout our region.

If members of your imaging department are interested in advancing their careers through CT, MRI, or Mammography, we encourage them to learn more about the certificate programs offered at Randolph Community College. We look forward to partnering with you to support professional growth and excellence in patient care.

For mammography, please contact Val Wyrick: vawyrick@randolph.edu

For CT and MR, please contact Anna Phillips; anphillips@randolph.edu

RCC Expands Mammography Training Opportunities with Refurbished Equipment



RCC is excited to announce the addition of a refurbished Hologic mammography unit to support the college's Mammography Certificate Program. This equipment will provide students with increased access to hands-on learning and additional opportunities to practice and strengthen their skills in a simulated clinical environment.

The new unit will enhance the program's ability to provide meaningful simulation experiences, allowing students to build confidence and develop technical skills before entering the clinical setting. By incorporating this equipment into the learning environment, RCC continues to strengthen its commitment to preparing highly skilled and knowledgeable mammography professionals.

This addition represents an important investment in the Mammography Certificate Program and will provide students with valuable opportunities to connect classroom instruction with practical, hands-on experience.

BUILDING EXCELLENCE TOGETHER

ARRT Content Specifications and Clinical Requirement Updates

Preceptor Updates

The ARRT recently updated the content specifications and the clinical and didactic requirements for students. The senior students will test under the updated content specifications which are effective March 2027. Changes to the content specifications are listed in the chart below.

Registry Category	2022 Exam	2027 Exam
Patient Care	33 questions	• 31 questions • Patient comfort and modesty added specifically • Communication of critical findings added • More detail in: scheduling and exam sequencing • disinfectants added under hazardous materials
Safety	50 questions	• 46 questions • Pregnancy as a specific patient consideration • Dose monitoring equipment: cumulative air kerma and dose rate display • Named initiatives: Image Wisely® and Image Gently® • Updated NCRP references (e.g., #180 vs #116)
Image Production	51 questions	• 51 questions • computed radiography removed • Patient and IR contrast categories added • Virtual Grids added • Informatics updated to include: PACS/MIMPS , and safety & confidentiality
Procedures	66 questions	• 72 questions • please see next page
	200 total questions	• 200 total questions

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ARRT Content Specs Procedures Updates

The American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) has made several changes to the radiographic procedures included within its content specifications. The revisions reflect changes in contemporary imaging practice, with several traditional projections and specialized procedures removed and additional projections added to the expected knowledge base.

Head, Spine, and Pelvis

Several less commonly performed projections have been removed from the Head section. These include the trauma AP axial (Towne) projection of the skull; PA modified Waters and submentovertex projections of the mandible; the modified Schuller method for the temporomandibular joints; and the horizontal-beam submentovertex projection for the paranasal sinuses.

Within the Spine and Pelvis section, an AP or PA thoracolumbar projection has been added. AP right and left bending projections of the lumbar spine, separate lateral projections of the sacrum or coccyx, and myelography have been removed. For the pelvis and hip, the Danelius-Miller method and an AP weight-bearing pelvis have been added.

Thorax, Abdomen, and GU Studies

A notable organizational change involves the clavicle, which has moved from the Upper Extremity section to the Thorax section. Both AP or PA and AP or PA axial clavicle projections are included.

Within Abdomen and GI Studies, surgical cholangiography and ERCP have been removed. GU Studies also saw several reductions, including removal of selected cystography projections, intravenous urography, and hysterosalpingography.

Upper and Lower Extremities

Several additions emphasize specialized and weight-bearing imaging. The Nørgaard, or ball-catcher's, view has been added under hand imaging, while bone age has been moved into the Upper Extremity section.

For the shoulder, the superior-inferior axial lateral projection has been added. Clavicle imaging has been removed from this section and relocated to Thorax.

Lower-extremity changes include removal of the lateral oblique foot and tangential sesamoid projections, while an oblique weight-bearing foot projection has been added. A weight-bearing mortise ankle projection is also now included.

The knee and patella content has been reorganized. The PA axial intercondylar fossa (Rosenberg method) has been added to knee imaging, while the patella now has its own category that includes PA and lateral patella projections.

Other Changes

Bone age has been removed from the “Other” category and relocated to the Upper Extremity section. Arthrography has also been removed from this category.