

2023 Program Information
San Joaquin General Hospital
School of Radiologic Technology

Sponsorship: The School of Radiologic Technology is sponsored by San Joaquin General Hospital. San Joaquin General Hospital is responsible for specification of entrance requirements, student selection, curriculum and instruction, student evaluation, program assessment, and awarding of a graduation certificate upon the completion of 24 months of full-time professional studies at San Joaquin General Hospital. Additionally, the Radiologic Technology School has a contractual agreement with San Joaquin Delta College that enables students to receive academic credit from Delta College for major coursework successfully completed at the hospital school, and degree options with the completion of additional general education classes. Upon acceptance into the program students must enroll with Delta College. The school also maintains clinical affiliation contracts with the Diagnostic Imaging Departments at San Joaquin General Hospital, Dignity (St. Joseph's) Medical Center, Lodi Adventist Memorial Hospital and Sutter Gould Medical Foundation.

To apply, applicants must have an associate degree **or** all the general education requirements that would assure their concurrent graduation from Delta College with graduation from the San Joaquin General Hospital School. This general education coursework needs to be completed for those without an associate degree prior to applying to the program at San Joaquin General.

Accreditation: The school meets the standards of accreditation as established by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology, (JRCERT, 20 N. Wacker Dr., Suite 2850, Chicago, IL 60606, (Ph: 312-704-5300) (Fax: 312-704-5304), mail@jrcert.org, www.jrcert.org and is approved by the California State Department of Health, Radiologic Health Branch, (P.O. Box 997414, Sacramento, CA 95899-7414, (916 327-5106). We attained maximum accreditation status during our two most recent JRCERT accreditation award cycles.

General Information: Classroom and Laboratory instruction takes place at San Joaquin General Hospital, which is in French Camp, approximately five miles south of downtown Stockton just off I-5. Clinical instruction takes place at San Joaquin General Hospital and the other clinical affiliates mentioned above. The first day of class for new students is on, or about, August 15th. Students are involved 40 hours a week, 50 weeks per year, in an eclectic combination of classroom, laboratory, and clinical. School hours are normally 8:00 – 4:30, Monday through Friday.

Our hospital-based School of Radiologic Technology is a component of San Joaquin General Hospital and its Diagnostic Imaging Department. As such, we share their values, dedication, and commitment to providing the highest quality health care, education, and training. Our educational program remains community-oriented, culturally sensitive, and highly affordable.

School Mission: The School of Radiologic Technology is dedicated to providing the preparation necessary for students to become well-educated, fully competent, highly motivated entry-level medical imaging professionals. The school is committed to the

student and the community by promoting continued professional growth, fostering teamwork, and providing opportunities for advanced career development.

Program Overview: The school strives to develop professionals by fostering an environment of academic and clinical excellence and diversity. To facilitate a continued development of personal and professional goals we believe that the student must build upon a broad academic foundation of knowledge, skills, and abilities. We provide students with the technical education to safely and competently perform radiologic procedures and respond to the needs of patients with competence and compassion. Foremost we foster a global knowledge base and promote the development of strong communication skills, creativity, self-direction, critical thinking, and commitment to life-long learning.

In fulfillment of our mission we nurture strong affiliations with the local San Joaquin Delta Community College as a source for all non-major supplementary and supporting coursework and with Clinical facilities housing state of the art modalities.

Goals and Student Outcomes

1. **Clinical Performance** - Students will demonstrate technical ability to produce high quality images, patient care, and radiation protection when performing radiographic exams.
 - a. The student will demonstrate competency in positioning, technical skills and equipment knowledge.
 - b. The student will demonstrate competency of all ARRT specified procedures.
 - c. The student will demonstrate appropriate radiation protection.
2. **Communication** – Students will effectively communicate in oral, written, and electronic form with patients, customers, and other members of the health care team.
 - a. The student will demonstrate competence in verbal, electronic, and written communication.
 - b. The student will demonstrate competence communicating with diverse populations, ages, and situations.
 - c. The student will demonstrate quality patient care to a variety of populations, ages, and acuities.
3. **Critical Thinking** – Students will effectively utilize critical thinking, problem solving, and decision-making skills in the practice of Radiography within the health care setting.
 - a. The student will demonstrate critical thinking through improvisation when encountering challenging exam situations.
 - b. The students will produce comparable images by adopting adjustments to clinical factors and account for different backgrounds, ages, and pathologies.
 - c. The student will be able to identify overall image quality and make appropriate adjustments.
4. **Professional Development** – Students will demonstrate professionalism during all aspect of their training and dedication to professional growth.
 - a. The students will demonstrate professional conduct. This includes attendance, punctuality, initiative, ethics, empathy towards patient care and teamwork.
 - b. Students are satisfied with their educational experience and adequately prepared to enter the field of Radiologic Technology.

5. **Program Effectiveness** - Students are adequately prepared to become entry level Radiologic Technologists in the field of Radiologic Technology.
 - a. Program completion rate does not fall below 75%.
 - b. Graduates pass the ARRT on the first attempt.
 - c. Graduates are gainfully employed within one year of graduation.
 - d. Graduate exit survey indicates that the program adequately prepared them for a career in Radiologic Technology.
 - e. Employers indicate SJGH graduates satisfy entry level performance expectations.
 - f. The program helps fulfill the local community's need for competent, entry level Radiologic Technologists.

Certification and Registration: Students who successfully complete radiography major requirements at the school are awarded a certificate of completion. Presently the (ARRT) American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (the National Board entity) requires program completion prior to sitting for the Registry examination. Beginning in January 2015 they now require an associate degree prior to program completion. We must verify that you satisfy these requirements before the ARRT will allow you to take the exam. Once you pass the ARRT registry graduates may apply to the State Department of Public Health (CDPH) for subsequent certification in California. This state certification is unidirectional. The State of California recognizes the ARRT registration. One cannot legally work as a radiographer in California without state certification (CRT). Most employers in the state will not hire you without both ARRT and CRT certification.

It is imperative that **you** assure completion of the appropriate coursework. This may be facilitated by applying to Delta College, declaring Radiologic Technology, as a major, and having a degree check completed prior to applying to the program and/or meeting with a counselor at Delta College to ensure that general education requirements have been met. If a student completes the Radiologic Technology program requirements before completing Associate Degree requirements their eligibility for taking the ARRT board exams will be delayed. This could have a negative impact on the graduate's timely certification and job market entry.

Application Requirements: Prior to applying you must meet the following requirements:

1. High School graduation or equivalency.
2. Be at least 18 years of age by August of the current year.
3. Completion of 8 prerequisite core classes with a letter grade no pass/fail:
 - **English Composition:** (Eng. 1A, or 2A, or 1B, or 1D)
 - **Human Anatomy:** (at Delta College Bio 31),
 - **Human Physiology:** (at Delta College Bio 32) (or equivalents),
 - **Math:** Stats 12, or Stats 12EX, or 37, or Psych 2 (Math 92g/s is still accepted) or higher than any of the previously listed classes
 - **Medical Terminology:** (HS 36 at Delta),
 - **Intro to Psychology:** (Psych 001) **or Intro to Sociology** (Soc 1A),
 - **Fundamentals of Computer Science:** (CS 11)
 - **The above must be taken prior to HS 85**
 - **HS 85 -Survey of Rad Tech (See application criteria below)**

4. Completion of one of the following two options:
 - An Associate degree or higher (any AA, AS, BA, BS ect.) and the 7 prerequisite core classes.

OR

 - Completion of all general education coursework that would assure concurrent graduation with a Certificate from the School and obtaining an Associate degree from Delta College. The general education coursework must include the seven prerequisite core classes. At the time of this writing, Delta Associate degree requirements show that an additional 4 classes would satisfy this requirement: **Public Speaking, Humanities, American Institutions, and 22-23 catalog NEW ethnic studies requirement (ETHNS 33,34,35,36)**. Consult the Delta College catalog and/or consult with a counselor to determine if you meet their current degree requirements.
5. Each required course will require a C or better grade and you must have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 in all 7 of the core prerequisites.
6. No in-progress coursework will be considered (all requirements must be completed before applying).
7. All prerequisites must appear on a College Transcript and if an associate degree is not already held, courses must be applicable toward satisfying Associate degree requirements at Delta College.
8. Hold a current, valid CPR card (American Heart Association) upon entry into the program.
9. Academic history:
 - Only 4 incomplete grades, withdrawals, repeat of prerequisite courses, due to failures will be allowed. More than this may prevent your application from being processed.
 - If you have this academic problem, an essay may be submitted explaining the purpose for these repeats-failures. This is not a guarantee of admission, but your application will be considered.

Questions regarding equivalency of courses from other schools or colleges should be verified by Delta College's Evaluations Department well in advance of the start of Hs 85 and application deadline. If it is not clear or obvious to the selection committee that all courses have been completed, your application may be deemed incomplete or ineligible. This may particularly apply to transcripts where the content of the course is not indicated by the title or included within other courses. It will be necessary that the equivalency of these courses be verified or approved. [See the getting started and FAQ pages on the Radiologic Technology Webpage for additional information].

Curriculum: The school provides a rigorous, concentrated curriculum designed to provide the student with the skills required to become a Registered Radiologic Technologist. The course sequence follows:

Rad 10	Introduction to Radiography (3.5 semester units)
Rad 10A/B	Beginning Clinical Lab (3) & Intermediate Clinical Lab (6)
Rad 11	Radiographic Positioning and Terminology (6)
Rad 12	Radiographic Anatomy (2)
Rad 13	Principles of Radiographic Technique (4)
Rad 14	Imaging Processing (1)
Rad 20	Advanced Radiographic Positioning and Terminology (4)
Rad 20A	Advanced Clinical Lab (8)
Rad 21	Advanced Radiographic Anatomy (2)
Rad 22	Fundamentals of X-ray and Radium Physics (4)
Rad 23	Positioning and Technical Lab (0.5)
Rad 30	Intermediate Positioning and Technical Lab (0.5)
Rad 30A	Senior Clinical Lab (5)
Rad 30B	Advanced Senior Clinical Lab (10)
Rad 31	Advanced Positioning and Technical Lab (1)
Rad 32	Sectional Anatomy (2)
Rad 40	Senior Review, Adv. Rad. Protection, and Fluoroscopic Systems (6)
Rad 40A	Radiographic Clinical Laboratory (9)
Rad 41	Radiographic Pathology & Film Critique (3)
Rad 43	Capstone Clinical Experience / Electives (3)

Clinical laboratory instruction includes exposure to all routine radiographic procedures with additional (primarily observational) rotations through Computed Tomography, Magnetic Resonance Imaging, Ultrasound, Nuclear Medicine, Radiation Therapy, and Special Procedures. Course descriptions are published on the DC web site in the San Joaquin Delta College Catalog, Section VI:

<http://www.deltacollege.edu/dept/ar/catalog/current/index.htm>

or within schedule of classes at (this link may change each semester):

<https://www.deltacollege.edu/dept/ar/registration/classsched.html>

Financial Aid: Financial aid and scholarship forms may be acquired at the Financial Aid Office on the San Joaquin Delta College campus.

Application Instructions: (Please read carefully) Student capacity is currently limited to 12-15 students per year. We have traditionally used a lottery method to select our annual class. We anticipate our next application period to be in **2023. In an application year, application forms (“Prerequisite Verifications”) will be provided during HS85.** For any questions you may contact the school by writing or calling the Program at: San Joaquin General Hospital, School of Radiologic Technology, P.O. Box 1020, Stockton, Ca 95201, Ph. (209) 468-6236, Email: icamara@sjgh.org . Applicants who satisfy the admission criteria will be placed in a lottery to fill the limited number of openings.

Admission Criteria: New in 2019

The class HS85 -Survey of Rad Tech:

In addition to the other 7 prerequisite classes, HS85 is required. Enrollment is limited each time given and is offered periodically as necessary to maintain a wait list. The class is generally offered during the Spring Semester (Jan – Feb) at night only. The class will be conducted at San Joaquin General Hospital, one night per week, for six weeks. Successful passing of this class is mandatory.

After passing this class, the student will be placed in a lottery for conditional acceptance into the Radiologic Technology program for that year. The program will take 12-14 students for that year and the remainder will be randomly drawn in sequence and placed on a wait list for subsequent years. Therefore, the potential for a 3-year wait list exists and therefore HS 85 may not be scheduled each spring. The next expected class will be summer 2023. The student has the option to remove him/herself from the wait list at any time prior to enrollment in the program. If you fail this course, you will be allowed to enroll in HS 85 only once more when it becomes open again.

Applications will be given to those who have passed HS 85. A partial waitlist has currently been created for 2023/24. All application materials must be received by office no later than 4pm by the cutoff date. This date will be determined during HS 85. After the applications have been processed, those whose applications are complete, acceptable, **and have passed HS85** will be Start the program in August.

Those selected for provisional entry into the program will be required to attend a one-day mandatory orientation session (typically mid-May) and to complete 40 hours of observation in Radiology at SJGH prior to official entry into the program.

Alternates may be selected and are also required to attend the orientation session to continue to be considered should a vacancy arise before program classes start. During the period between May and August incumbents must ensure completion of pre-entry requirements: CPR, observation, immunizations, ppd's, background checks, drug screenings, and some clinical site clearances and orientations. It is important that these be started early. Details will be discussed at orientation.

Note: The above admission requirements and selection procedures are valid for the current selection period only. They are subject to change in subsequent years. Please check with the program office to verify the currency of any information.

Transfer Credit: San Joaquin General Hospital School of Radiologic Technology does not accept transfer students from other Radiologic Technology Programs.

Medical Information: Students entering the program will be required to complete a tuberculosis skin test and verification of vaccine or titers for rubella, rubeola, mumps, poliomyelitis, tetanus-diphtheria, and varicella prior to beginning clinical training. Hepatitis B immunization may also be required. Our clinical affiliates may require additional screening. Further information regarding medical screening will be provided upon acceptance into the program.

Clinical Site Requirements: In addition to the immunization screening, our clinical sites require students have a background clearance and drug screening prior to clinical participation. Students will be given further information regarding these upon selection into the program. The student should be aware that failure to pass one of these would result in inability to complete the program.

Equal Opportunity/Technical Standards: The School of Radiologic Technology will not discriminate against any applicant because of age, race, creed, color, political affiliations, sex, sexual orientation, physical handicap, or national origin. Applicants should be aware, however, that the occupation of Radiologic Technologist requires a considerable amount of lifting, bending, operation of heavy equipment, and considerable interpersonal communication. Physical status and mental capabilities must be such that the applicant can perform all the duties of a Radiologic Technologist, which include, but are not limited to: the ability to participate in patient-technologist communication; give verbal commands; lift objects well over 25 pounds; bend; transfer patients from gurney or wheel chair to table; perform mathematical calculations; interpret written material; and perform hand/eye coordinated maneuvers.

Employment: Places of employment for Radiologic Technologists include hospitals, clinics, doctor's offices, mobile services, industry and sales. Starting pay for entry-level technologists varies between \$38.00 to \$48.00 per hour, depending on location of employment.

TUITION AND EXPENSES and Refund Policy

Fees: Course fees are based on "California Community College Enrollment Fees" as established by the Legislature. Fees are payable upon enrollment to S.J. Delta College and subject to change. Fall '17 resident tuition is \$46.00 per unit. Consult Delta's catalog for non-resident fees. The two-year program carries ~83.5 semester units.

Mandatory cost (non-refundable)*

Delta Tuition-(refundable through Delta depending on drop date)	\$ 3,841
Non-resident Delta Tuition (\$27,054)	
Application Fee*	\$100
Textbooks*-	\$ 900
Uniforms*-	\$ 300
Certifications/exams*-	\$ 775
Miscellaneous cost* (liability insurance, drug screen, background)	\$ 250
Facility fee due by the end of your 1 st and 2 nd year*.	\$ 1,000 x 2
Graduation cost* (pins, certificate, sashes)	\$ 100
Total Approx.-	\$ <u>8,166</u>

The student may be expected to undergo additional background checks throughout the two-year program to satisfy the requirements of the different clinical rotations. They will be responsible for bearing the costs of these as well. Fees are subject to change please check prior to the program start date.

Additional detailed information may be found on our webpage. Please visit these to find answers or additional clarification too many of your questions:

- Getting Started
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Student Book List
- Program Effectiveness Data
- Accreditation Status
- Mission and Goals
- Drug Screening Policy

Thank you for your interest in the San Joaquin General Hospital School of Radiologic Technology.

Respectfully,

Jerrold Camara, Program Director

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Webpage: https://www.deltacollege.edu/courses_programs/index.html

We are a professional Radiologic Technology School. We adhere only to the highest standards of education and training for Radiologic Technologists. We do not offer x-ray technician studies, nor do we have any connection with any college, school, or program that does. If this is your goal you might find information on these limited practice programs at the California Department of Public Health Website (CDPH) or on the California Society of Radiologic Technologists Website (CSRT). www.cdph.ca.gov/rhb / www.csrt.org

HECCC Grid for some core class equivalents taken at neighboring colleges:

https://www.csustan.edu/sites/default/files/u16026/radtechdelta_1516_final.pdf

