

RADIOGRAPHY (XRAY)

ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE D327

The mission of Illinois Eastern Community Colleges - Olney Central College Radiography program is to provide quality radiography education and to graduate competent entry-level radiographers to serve the community.

The mission is accomplished through program goals. The program is designed to maximize a student's initiative and support his/her development toward becoming a competent entry-level radiographer.

The OCC Associate in Applied Science degree in Radiography is an intensive, two-year course of study. There are two 1-day orientation courses held near the end of summer semester. The program begins in full fall semester. The program is accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT), 20 N. Wacker Drive, Suite 2850, Chicago, IL 60606-3182, www.jrcert.org. Graduates are eligible to take the American Registry of Radiologic Technologist's (ARRT) exam. Most states, including Illinois, accept ARRT for state licensure, without additional licensure examination. Employment opportunities for radiographers are available nationwide in all types of medical health facilities and private industry. Further educational opportunities promoting career advancement are readily available.

Support courses may be taken prior to admission to the program. This does not reduce the time required to complete the program or guarantee acceptance into the program.

Requirements related to application deadlines, ranking, and admission, are available for review at www.iecc.edu/radtech.

Radiography students must pass all courses in the program curriculum with at least a C and maintain a minimum term GPA of 2.0 to proceed through the program. This includes support courses and clinical components in the program.

Application Requirements

Qualified applicants are ranked for admission based on a composite score derived from the IECC approved placement test, and GPA of specific high school science, social science, and mathematics courses or college level program support courses.

Note: Individuals who have been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor (excluding traffic violations) or who have an abuse record may not be permitted to take the national registry examination administered by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT). Students with questions should contact the ARRT (651-687-0048) to inquire about eligibility to take the ARRT examination prior to applying to the Radiography program.

Prospective Students

To qualify for ranking, applicants must meet or exceed the requirements listed below:

- A. Complete an application to Olney Central College by February 15 for admission in **fall** semester.
- B. Provide government issued photo ID residency verification.
- C. Transcripts: Official copies submitted by **February 15** to the Radiography Program Advisor.
 1. Official High School or GED equivalent
 2. Official transcripts from all post-secondary institutions
- D. Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 for all college level courses, or if no college coursework has been completed, a cumulative high school GPA of 2.5. Students making application for the same year they graduate from high school must have a 2.5 GPA at the end of the first semester of their senior year to be eligible to apply. NOTE: Grades of *F* in college level courses from institutions outside of Illinois Eastern Community Colleges may be eligible for a grade forgiveness process for ranking purposes for acceptance into the Radiography program. The grade forgiveness affects cumulative GPA for ranking purposes only. This grade forgiveness would be done manually and only one time and would not affect the applicant's official cumulative grade point average. Contact the Program Advisor for the Radiography program at the college site to determine eligibility.
- E. Placement test scores must be in accordance with OCC admission standards.
 1. Official copies of test results must be submitted by February 15.
 2. Test must be taken within **three** years of the application deadline.
 3. If the placement test is taken at another institution, it is the student's responsibility to have test scores submitted to Olney Central College.
 4. Applicant may take the IECC approved placement test twice during each year application is made to the program.
 5. Applicant should contact Radiography Program Advisor in the Student Services Office at OCC to determine if test scores meet application criteria.
 6. Applicants should consult the **Financial Information section** of this catalog or IECC website (www.iecc.edu/tuition) for any applicable fees related to repeating tests.
- F. LSC 1101 (General Biology I) or equivalent (as determined by the college) with a grade of C or better. Candidates not meeting this requirement may qualify for admission contingent upon successful completion of this program requirement prior to beginning Radiography coursework.
- G. **Successfully complete HEA 2299 for fall admission to the program.** HEA 2299 includes a radiography orientation and 15 hours of agency observation.
- H. All prospective students must review the Program Handbook, at www.iecc.edu/radtech/.