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Radiologic Technology Program 327 Medical Park Drive Bridgeport, WV 26330

ADMISSION INFORMATION

United Hospital Center School of Radiologic Technology (UHCSRT) is a 22.5-month program that prepares interested individuals for careers in medical imaging. The program is accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (www.jrcert.org), and earned the maximum eight-year accreditation award in 2013.

Unlike other radiologic technology programs, students enrolled at UHCSRT greatly enhance their clinical education and experiences through affiliation agreements with area healthcare providers. Every enrolled student participates in *clinical* assignments at United Hospital Center, VA Medical Center in Clarksburg and St. Joseph's Hospital in Buckhannon. Experiences in a variety of settings enables UHCSRT students to gain knowledge using a wide range of imaging systems under the supervision of a diverse population of registered radiologic technologists, each possessing unique skills and depths of experience.

UHCSRT provides a well-structured curriculum that prepares students to practice competently, make ethical decisions, provide appropriate care, assess situations, and communicate effectively. UHCSRT follows the American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT) Radiography curriculum to assure effective student learning and prepare graduates for success on the national credentialing exam administered by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (<u>www.arrt.org</u>), a prerequisite for professional employment in most hospitals and medical offices. UHCSRT maintains an articulation agreement with Pierpont Community and Technical College (PCTC) so that college credit is earned for successful completion of the radiologic technology curriculum taught at United Hospital Center. Through successful completion of an additional fifteen hours of prescribed *general education* college courses, an Associate of Technical Studies, Radiologic Technology Degree is awarded from PC&TC at graduation to candidates entering UHCSRT prior to completing a college degree.

Required general education courses at Pierpont CTC include:

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hour
ENGL 1104	Written English I	3
PSYC 1101 or SOCY 1101	Intro to Psychology or Intro to Sociology	3
COMM 2200	Intro to Human Communications	3
MTH 1207 (or higher)	Fundamental Concepts of Mathematics	3
OFAD 1150	Computer Concepts & Applications	3
	General Education Hours	15

<u>College courses completed prior to applying for admission are often transferrable to Pierpont</u> <u>CTC. The PCTC registrar should be consulted about transfer credits and the general education</u> <u>requirements.</u>

UHCSRT utilizes a two-part competitive admissions process for student selection that begins with a review of academic transcripts by program faculty at United Hospital Center. An impartial scoring system is used to rank applicants based on their academic records from high school and college, as well as ACT or SAT test scores.

Admission points are awarded based upon the cumulative grade point average for the following recommended prerequisite courses taken in high school and/or college - **Biology**, **Chemistry**, **Physics**, **Anatomy/Physiology**, **Computer Science and Algebra**.

An ACT composite score of 19 or SAT total of 990 is the minimum requirement for radiologic technology candidates. Applicants with scores that exceed these minimums earn additional credit on their application. Additional points may be earned for ACT/SAT sub-scores in Math, English, Evidence-based Reading and Writing (SAT ERW) and/or Science.

During the second phase of the UHCSRT admission process interviews are scheduled for applicants ranked in the upper fifty percent based upon their cumulative point total following the academic review. Student selection follows the interview process and may include an invitation to attend, designation as an alternate candidate or denial. Notification is by mail, email and/or phone.

Radiologic technology classes at United Hospital Center in Bridgeport begin in August each year, but selection of students is completed in early April. Interested individuals should:

- Complete a general admission application to Pierpont CTC online at https://secure.cfwv.com/applications/Pierpont_CTC/apply.html
- Complete a Radiologic Technology program application, available at the Pierpont website
- Submit an official high school transcript, including a minimum of 7 semesters to Pierpont CTC prior to January 31 of the admission year
- Submit ACT and/or SAT test scores
- Pay a PCTC application processing fee of \$20 to PCTC

Applicant documentation is forwarded to United Hospital Center each February for further consideration by the radiologic technology program faculty.

Radiologic Technology tours may be requested to see the UHC facilities, and the variety of imaging exams and equipment, as well as patient interactions that are a part of the radiologic technology profession. Following the guided tour, prospective students can meet with program faculty to discuss the competitive application and selection process, learn about program policies and procedures and have questions answered. Tours are by appointment only, requested by email at <u>rosemary.trupo@wvumedicine.org</u> or calling 681-342-1871.