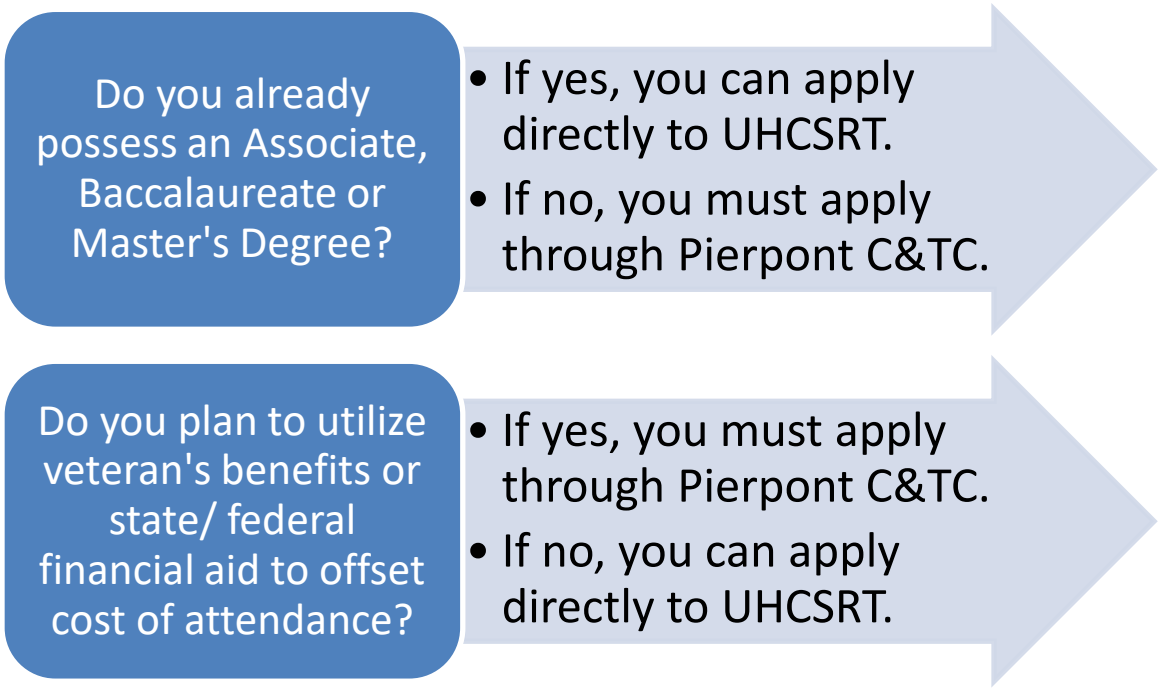
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. Which application do I complete – UHC or PC&TC?

Individuals interested in pursuing radiologic technology training at United Hospital Center have two options when applying. Answer the following questions to determine the appropriate path for you:



2. Where do I access and submit completed applications and transcripts?

Required Application	Source of Application
UHC School of Radiologic Technology Application	Call 681.342.1871 or http://wvumedicine.org/united-hospital-center/wp-content/uploads/sites/14/2016/08/RADAPP_2010_1.pdf

PC&TC Application for Admission	Call 304-367-4907 Or http://wvumedicine.org/united-hospital-center/wp-content/uploads/sites/14/2016/08/Rad-Tech-App-Updated-2_28_12_1.pdf

Please direct completed applications, transcripts or inquiries to:

Education Coordinator
United Hospital Center Diagnostic Training Programs
327 Medical Park Drive
Bridgeport, WV 26330
681-342-1871

PC&TC applications may be submitted digitally:
admit@pierpont.edu ***or by mail to***

Office of Admissions
1201 Locust Avenue
Fairmont, WV 26554

3. **Do my transcripts and ACT/SAT scores have to be official copies?**

   All academic transcripts and test scores must be official, signed and sealed copies, unless sent to the program director via fax or email from a high school or college.

4. **Is there a minimum ACT or SAT score for admission into the program?**

   An ACT minimum Composite of 19 or SAT minimum composite of 990 is required for admission for all degree-seeking candidates. Additional points in the competitive admission process may be earned for scores that exceed minimums in the Composite or specific subsections.

5. **If I already have a college degree, do I need to enroll through Pierpont Community and Technical College?**

An applicant that possesses at minimum an Associate Degree may apply directly to UHC. The college degree, however, must be from an institution that is accredited through a mechanism acceptable by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (www.arrt.org) to ensure certification eligibility including:

- **Middle States Commission on Higher Education**: Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands
- **New England Association of Schools and Colleges**: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont
- **North Central Association of Colleges and Schools**: Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming
- **Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities**: Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington
- **Southern Association of Colleges and Schools**: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia
- **Western Association of Schools and Colleges Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) and Senior College Commission (SCC)**: California, Hawaii

6. Is it necessary to take college classes while enrolled in the radiologic technology program at UHC?

You may be required to take general education credits while enrolled, if you have not yet earned a college degree.

Individuals employed in radiologic technology must pass a national credentialing exam administered by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (**www.arrt.org**) An Associate Degree or higher is prerequiste for this credentialing exam. A partnership exists between United Hospital Center School of Radiologic Technology and Pierpont Community and Technical College whereby college credit is awarded for successful

completion of the radiologic technology core curriculum. Through completion of additional general education classes, an Associate of Applied Science, Technical Studies in Radiologic Technology Degree may be earned from PC&TC at the time of completing UHC School of Radiologic Technology. Required general education courses 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**

College courses completed while in high school may be applied to satisfy the general education requirements. Transfer credit for courses taken at other colleges or universities is at the discretion of the PC&TC registrar.

7. How do you select students for admission?

Student selection is a two-part process that begins with a review of student required academic transcripts. These must be submitted by January 31st of the year in which the individual wants to be admitted.

An impartial scoring system is used to rank applicants based on performance on the ACT or SAT test and in *recommended* prerequisite courses including **Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Anatomy/Physiology, Computer Science and Algebra**. Admission points are earned for advanced math and science courses taken in high school and/or college with credit

awarded based upon the grade point average. Lesser amount of credit is available for courses taken through business colleges or technical programs.

Interviews are scheduled in March/April for candidates with the strongest academic scores. All candidates receive notification by mail or email about whether they will or will not be interviewed. A maximum of fifteen students are selected following interviews; required pre-admission testing occurs in June and July. Some candidates are ranked as alternates and are notified by mail or email in the event that a student position becomes available prior to the program start date.

8. Can I apply the WV Promise Scholarship or other sources of financial aid to offset my costs of attendance?

Those enrolling through Pierpont Community and Technical College should contact the financial aid office to determine eligibility for the WV Promise, WV INVEST and other state/federal financial aid programs.

9. What are the total costs of attendance for the radiologic technology program?

United Hospital Center School of Radiologic Technology charges a tuition of $6000 for students that already have achieved a minimum of an Associate's Degree and are applying directly to the hospital. This may be paid in quarterly installments of $750. Pierpont Community and Technical College (PC&TC) enrollees pay the current full-time tuition and fees. Please contact PC&TC for further information at 304-367-4907 or www. pierpont.edu.

Students are required to wear scrub outfits of a specific color and style; the total cost for uniforms will vary, but rarely exceeds $250. The required student textbooks for the first year cost approximately $600; second year textbooks may cost an additional $300 and are purchased during the final

quarter of the first year. Room and board are the student's responsibility during the 22.5 month training program.

Employment in radiologic technology requires national credentials earned by passing a certification exam administered by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (**www.arrt.org**). The cost of the initial exam is $225. Individuals performing radiologic technology in WV must also be licensed by the WV Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Technology Board of Examiners (www.wvrtboe.org). The initial licensing fee is $100.

10. Can I have a full- or part-time job while enrolled in the program?

United Hospital Center and its clinical affiliates may employ radiography students in capacities other than for the performance of radiologic procedures, but do so independently of any program affiliation.

The School of Radiologic Technology supports the intent of WV Code 30-23, "to ensure minimum standards of education, training and experience for radiologic technologists". UHC School of Radiologic Technology neither endorses nor discourages students who seek employment during their involvement with the training program.

Clinical and didactic schedules related to the training program WILL NOT be altered by the demands of such employment.

11. Do you wait list individuals that apply, but don't get in?

UHC School of Radiologic Technology does NOT waitlist candidates or offer deferred admission (other than candidates designated as alternates following the initial interview process). Candidates choosing to reapply must complete and submit a new application form and update all academic records annually. Applications are accepted by United Hospital Center and Pierpont Community and Technical College prior to January 31 of the year of entrance into the training program.

13. Will job placement services be available to me when I complete the program?

While UHC School of Radiologic Technology and Pierpont Community and Technical College do not offer specific job placement services, program graduates have experienced 100% job placement for many years.

Radiologic technologists are employed wherever medical images are needed – large medical centers, smaller community hospitals, independent imaging centers, urgent care facilities and physician offices. Opportunities abound in education, administration and industry.

Students and graduates enrolled through Pierpont Community and Technical College may access a full range of services to assist in preparing for a career or pursuing employment opportunities. Pierpont Career Services provides a platform for career exploration, resume building and employment searches. To find additional information on Career Services, please visit: **https://www.pierpont.edu/current-students/student-services/career-services.**