Radiologic Sciences at McNeese State University

<u>More details about the Radiologic Science program at McNeese State University</u> and scroll down to the Bachelor of Science in Radiologic Science information on the Department of Health Professions site.

Admission to Professional Phase of Radiologic Sciences

Acceptance into the professional phase of the radiologic sciences program is selective due to the limited number of students approved for each clinical setting. Students are admitted to the professional phase of the program in the spring semester of the sophomore year and continue for two and a half years. The application must be submitted no later than October 1 of the preceding fall semester. Applications for the professional phase can be obtained from the Department of Health Professions. In cases where the number of *qualified* applicants for the professional phase exceeds the capacity, applicants will be accepted based on the highest GPA earned in RADS curriculum courses. To be considered for admission to the professional curriculum, the student must:

- a. Have earned a minimum grade point average of 2.5 or better in all courses outlined in the preprofessional phase;
- b. Have earned a minimum grade point average of 2.5 or better and no grade lower than a C in all science courses in the preprofessional curriculum (BIOL 225, 226; CHEM 101; MATH 113, STAT 231; NRHP 100; RADS 101);
- c. Have repeated no more than two courses in the preprofessional curriculum due to a failing grade;
- d. Have completed or will have completed all the preprofessional courses by the starting date of the professional curriculum; and
- e. Submit documentation verifying 10 hours of observation in a radiology clinical setting. After acceptance is granted to the professional phase, the student must meet the requirements for continuation in clinical radiography courses including but not limited to the following:
- a. Clearance and verification from a healthcare worker background check which includes: criminal search, social security number verification, maiden name/AKA name search, Sexual Offender Registry/Predator Registry, National Wants & Warrants Submission, 13224 Terrorism Sanctions Regulations, U.S. Government Terrorist List Search, Investigative Application Review, Adverse Action Letter, and Medicare/Medicaid Sanctioned. This background profile must be conducted by a specified agency at a cost of \$35-75. More details are in the acceptance letter and the Student Handbook for the Professional Phase.
- b. Negative results from a 10-panel urine drug screen performed by a specified medical laboratory at a cost of \$35-\$75. More details are in the acceptance letter and the Student Handbook for the Professional Phase.
- c. Assignments for clinical radiography courses are typically Monday-Friday during daytime hours, with the exception of the occasional evening rotation. Evening rotations during the summer session include a Saturday assignment. More details are included in the Student Handbook for the Professional Phase.
- d. Travel to and from the classroom and clinical assignments is the responsibility of the student. All clinical settings are located within 40 miles of the campus. Professional liability coverage for all students assigned to a clinical setting is covered by the University.
- e. Course delivery for professional phase courses is a combination of face-to-face classroom courses on campus, clinical courses off campus, and web hybrid courses.