Admission Requirements

The ARRT requirement for eligibility to take the national registry examination is the completion of an Associate's Degree or higher.

Program Prerequisites

Prerequisite for admission to the Sentara RMH School of Radiologic Technology is an Associate's (or more advanced) degree in any field.

The applicant must have completed or enrolled in the following prerequisites or equivalent with a "C" or higher before applying to the program:

- Anatomy and Physiology I (BIO 141) within the last 5 years
- English Composition (ENG 111 or higher)
- College level math (MTH 151 or higher)

The following program prerequisites or equivalent must be completed with a "C" or higher prior to entering the program:

- Human Anatomy & Physiology II (BIO 142) within the past 5 years
- Philosophy of Ethics (PHI 225)
- Information Literacy (ITE 119)
- Medical Terminology I (HLT 143).

An applicant must also have a cumulative 2.8 GPA or higher.

It is strongly suggested that the applicant participate in a job shadowing opportunity to more fully understand the field of Radiology and the commitment needed to pursue this rigorous program.

Application Process

Submitting the Application:

1. Submit a completed application form to the Sentara RMH School of Radiologic Technology by December 1. A $25.00 non-refundable application fee must accompany the application.

   Send transcripts from high school, and from all colleges previously attended, plus 3 reference forms to:

   **Sentara RMH Medical Center
   School of Radiologic Technology
   2010 Health Campus Drive
   Harrisonburg, VA 22801**

2. When the application is complete and transcripts and references have been received, the applicant's file will be evaluated. Those applicants meeting the admission requirements will be contacted to schedule an interview. (Application to the school does not guarantee admission)
3. Decisions for admission to the program are based on a point system. Applicants are scored on academic achievements, tour/shadowing experience of Radiology, oral and written communication, prerequisites, health care experience and other criteria.
4. Applicants who have met all steps of the admission procedure and completed an interview with the school will be notified of their acceptance status in writing within four weeks. A maximum of fifteen students are accepted into the school each year due to the limit placed on the number of students who can be at each of the clinical facilities.

Acceptance

Once a candidate is selected to attend the School of Radiologic Technology:

1. The applicant must confirm their intention to enroll in writing. An orientation schedule will be sent to the student.
2. The student attends a scheduled orientation meeting.
3. A student's acceptance into the program is conditional based on passing a physical examination (including drug/alcohol testing before acceptance and can be performed at any time during the program), criminal background check, CPR certification must be done by American Heart Association (adult, child, infant and AED for two years), and successful completion of any required prerequisite college courses and degree before entering the program. Failure to meet any of the requirements will result in termination of the student. Students will be responsible for all associated costs.
4. Meet the standards for technical functioning. These standards have been developed to define the physical conditions necessary for a technologist to function in the health care environment. This level of functioning must be maintained throughout program. The school reserves the right to require student testing as it deems appropriate to meet these physical demands. The Sentara RMH School of Radiologic Technology will make reasonable accommodation whenever possible.

Upon successful completion of the program, the graduate is eligible to take the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists examination leading to certification as a Registered Radiographer. In most states a valid state license is also required as a condition of employment. In Virginia, the graduate will apply to the Virginia Department of Health Professions in order to obtain a license upon passing the ARRT examination. Graduates are responsible for all costs.

The Sentara RMH School of Radiologic Technology program is accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) and is certified to operate in the state of Virginia by the Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV).

Selection of students is made without discrimination with regard to age, sex, race, creed, handicap, or national origin or any other protected class.