

RADIOLOGICAL SCIENCES, A.S.

Seven Penn State campuses are scheduled for closure after Spring 2027: DuBois, Fayette, New Kensington, Mont Alto, Shenango, Wilkes-Barre, and York. New students are not being admitted at these campuses.

Begin Campus: New Kensington, Schuylkill

End Campus: New Kensington, Schuylkill

Program Description

For students interested in pursuing an education in the paramedical field of radiography (radiologic technology), the radiological sciences major meets the educational and clinical requirements for the graduate to function as an entry-level radiographer. Required course work is divided into three interrelated areas including general education, radiography specific, and clinical education components. During the clinical education component, students perform radiographic exams under the directed supervision of certified radiographers at multiple area clinical education settings. The clinical component emphasizes the concepts of team practice and patient-centered care. Both the radiography-specific course work and the clinical component are structured sequentially over six consecutive semesters, commencing each fall semester. Upon successful completion of the associate degree, the graduate will be eligible to attempt the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) examination for certification.

What is Radiological Sciences?

Radiography is a science combining medical imaging technology with empathetic patient care. Radiologic technologists, often referred to as radiographers, apply their knowledge of physics, human anatomy and physiology to create permanent radiographic images that assist in the examination, diagnosis and treatment of medical conditions in the body. These imaging professionals provide a wide range of services using technology founded on theoretical knowledge and scientific concepts. As a part of the healthcare team, the radiographers provide patient care using safe radiation practices; operate sophisticated technical equipment; exercise independent judgment; and make informed decisions daily. All program graduates are prepared, both academically and clinically, to join a healthcare team.

You Might Like This Program If...

- You have a desire to help people and a passion for patient care.
- You want to pursue a career that includes math and sciences.
- You want to be a part of diagnosis and treatment of patients.
- You want to pursue a rewarding career in healthcare.
- You thrive in a field where technology is ever evolving.
- You have a passion for lifelong learning.