

PRE-RADIATION THERAPY

Radiation therapy is a type of radiography that is used to help treat diseases such as cancer using X-rays, gamma rays, or other forms of radiation. Wayne State partners with UNMC to offer an excellent education in radiography.

For traditional students pursuing a bachelor's degree: You will take 60 hours of prerequisite classes at WSC in order to prepare for UNMC's general Radiography program. Once in the program at UNMC, you will take a licensure exam and earn a B.S. from UNMC. You can then apply for specialty training in CVIT, CT/MRI, DMS, or Radiation Therapy, and, if accepted, spend extra time at UNMC, receiving a certificate in one of these specialty areas in the end.

For incoming students with an associate's degree who are NOT pursuing a bachelor's degree: You will take any needed prerequisite classes at WSC, then go on to UNMC for additional training to earn a specialty certificate in CVIT, CT/MRI, DMS, or Radiation Therapy. No B.S. is awarded in this case, only a certificate.

fast facts

Transfer details: This program is set up so you can take prerequisites at WSC before transferring to UNMC (or another school offering a radiography program) to receive your B.S., if desired. Admission to programs at UNMC is competitive and not guaranteed.

Grades: C or better needed to begin professional training. Grades of C- are not acceptable.

Department: Physical Sciences and Mathematics

School: Science, Health, and Criminal Justice

focus on results

Skills Learned

- Human anatomy and physiology
- Biological systems and structures
- General chemistry and physics
- Research, data collection, and analysis
- Modern lab techniques

Possible Careers

- Radiation therapist
- Radiation technologist
- X-ray technician
- Medical dosimetrist
- CAT scan technician
- Magnetic resonance technologist
- Diagnostic imaging specialist

Types of Employers

- Hospitals and medical clinics
- Radiology labs
- Health care facilities
- Medical research facilities
- Schools and universities
- Medical equipment companies
- Non-profit organizations

outside the classroom

Activities / Opportunities

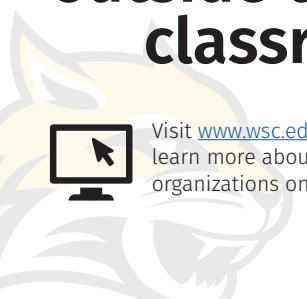
- Research projects and conferences
- Peer mentoring and tutoring
- Service-Learning

Clubs / Organizations

- Biology Club
- Health Science Club



Visit www.wsc.edu/clubs to learn more about clubs and organizations on campus.



Sample program of study

2024-25 Academic Year

Every effort is made to ensure this information is current, but please be aware that some content may have changed. There is no substitute for developing a careful course registration plan in consultation with your advisor. The class sequence listed is suggested only. The final decision rests with the student and academic advisor.

Upon completion of the radiography primary program, the student may apply to any of the second or advanced certificate radiation sciences programs.

UNMC will accept a maximum of 6 College Level Examination Program (CLEP) or Advanced Placement (AP) semester hours. In addition, UNMC does not accept CLEP credits in math or science and will only accept a maximum of 3 CLEP credit or AP credit hours in English composition.

Acceptance to the radiation therapy program is competitive. Participation in this pre-professional program at WSC and/or previous acceptance into a primary professional program (e.g. radiography or nuclear medical technology) does not guarantee acceptance into a radiation therapy program.

Applicants to this program must have achieved a 2.5 GPA in the undergraduate program and a 3.0 GPA in their professional training in radiography.

College prerequisites and course requirements are subject to change by radiation science program at UNMC.

Minimum 21 specified semester hours (45 hours suggested).

Freshman - 1st semester

BIO 108 Medical Terminology.....	1
*BIO 110 Biology Concepts.....	4
CHE 106 General Chemistry I.....	4
*ENG 102 Composition Skills.....	3
MAT 121 College Algebra.....	3

Freshman - 2nd semester

BIO 220 Human Anatomy.....	4
*CNA 100 Principles of Human Communication.....	3
MAT 180 Applied Probability and Statistics.....	3
*PSY 101 General Psychology.....	3
*SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology.....	3

+Or 2 hours of Medical Terminology (not offered at WSC)

Sophomore - 1st semester

BIO 340 Human Physiology.....	4
CIS 130 Intro to Computer/Information Technology.....	3
*ENG 200 Expository Writing.....	3
PHY 201 General Physics I.....	3
PHY 321 Physics I Lab.....	1
*SPA 110 Elementary Spanish I.....	3

*Suggested elective meets UNMC humanities or social sciences prerequisites

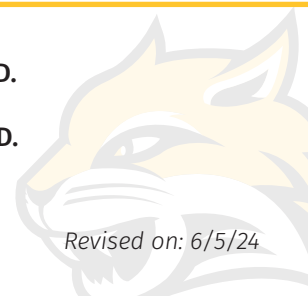
pre-radiation therapy faculty



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