

**WASHBURN**  
UNIVERSITY  
**SCHOOL OF APPLIED STUDIES**  
Allied Health  
**FALL 2026 ADMISSION CRITERIA**  
**Radiologic Technology Program**

**ALL APPLICATION DOCUMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ONE SEALED ENVELOPE. IF ANY DOCUMENTS ARE MISSING, THE APPLICATION WILL NOT BE REVIEWED.**

Applicants must be high school graduates or equivalent with a knowledge base in science and mathematics. It is recommended that courses in biology, physics, and communication be taken at either the high school or college level as part of the educational preparation. Applicants must have **completed a minimum of 12 college credit hours** applicable to the Associate Degree (University requirements and general education groups) prior to the stated application deadline. The minimum cumulative grade point average of **2.80 at the college level** is required for application. Special Consideration approval for GPAs of 2.79 – 2.5 is available upon request. For the Special Consideration procedure, see page **seventeen (17)**.

**The deadline for completed application submission is February 1<sup>st</sup>.**

The program encourages application to more than one radiology program or more than one allied health program, as there is no guarantee of acceptance to the Radiographer Program at Washburn University due to the number of qualified applicants.

To be considered for acceptance into the Radiologic Technology/Radiographer Program at Washburn University, the following criteria must be completed. Applications that are complete and will be reviewed by the committee will receive an email confirmation of submission by **February 6<sup>th</sup>**. If you have not received a confirmation email by **February 6<sup>th</sup>**, please email Hillary A. Lolley [hillary.lolley@washburn.edu](mailto:hillary.lolley@washburn.edu).

1. Send Hillary A. Lolley, an email stating that you are applying to the program. You will receive a response within three business days. Print and include Hillary's response in the submitted packet. **(max 1 pg)**
2. Radiographer Program Application, see page **six (6)**.  
**Application and acceptance to Washburn University do not constitute application and acceptance to the Radiographer Program.**
3. Academic transcripts of all college coursework completed prior to February 1<sup>st</sup> must be included in the submitted application packet.
  - Unofficial transcripts will satisfy this requirement.
  - If you are currently enrolled at Washburn, go to [my.washburn.edu](http://my.washburn.edu) to print your unofficial transcript.
  - If enrolled at another college, go to the appropriate website to print your unofficial transcript.
  - If neither of the above situations apply, contact the Registrar's Office at the applicable college or university for an official transcript. This transcript must be sent to you and included it in the submitted application packet.
  - If you have completed less than 24 credit hours of college at the time of program application, submit both a high school transcript and college transcripts in the application packet.
  - The program recommends but does not require the following general education courses:
    - a. A communication course.
    - b. Psychology course.
    - c. Sociology/Anthropology course.
  - Regarding Transcripts, points are awarded based on:

- a. GPA
    - b. Completed general education courses.
    - c. Completion of:
      - i. College Algebra
      - ii. Natural science course with a lab
      - iii. Human Anatomy (intro)
      - iv. Human Physiology (intro)
      - v. AL101 Foundations of Healthcare (Washburn University only)
  - A college-level Anatomy course (minimum of 3 credit hours) with a grade of “C” or better must be completed prior to entering the professional program. It is permissible to apply to the program prior to the completion of this course. If accepted, anatomy must be completed before fall entry. Physiology may be completed prior to or during the program. A five (5) credit hour or higher combined anatomy/physiology course is accepted as fulfilling the anatomy and physiology requirement, or separate courses in anatomy and physiology are also accepted.
  - If an applicant does not meet the minimum requirements for applying, the program will not review the application.
  4. Complete Transcript Review Worksheet **page seven (7)**.
  5. Resume (**max 1 page**).
    - Submit a separate resume that includes education, work, and volunteer experiences; only include your last 3 years of volunteer experience.
    - List any college course enrollment for spring and summer semesters, if appropriate.
    - Present any additional information that you feel the Radiographer Admission Committee should be aware of regarding academics and/or character traits.
  6. **Complete a four (4)-hour morning observation in diagnostic radiology.** Detailed **OBSERVATION INSTRUCTIONS** begin on page **eight (8)**. You are responsible for contacting a healthcare facility directly to schedule your observation—this should be done early in the application process. Do not wait until mid-January, as radiology departments have limited availability for observers. After completing your observation, the ARRT-registered technologist you shadowed should submit an online evaluation. It is your responsibility to request this submission and to obtain the technologist’s signature on the **OBSERVATION DOCUMENTATION OF REQUEST** form.
    - In addition to the four (4) hour morning diagnostic radiology shadow, each student must also complete the Web-based Observation, see **page fourteen (14)**.
  7. Two letters of recommendation should be completed by current or past instructors and/or current or past employers. Do not submit a recommendation from family or friends. To request the submission of the recommendation letter, email the selected person with your request for completion and include the following link: [washburn.edu/rad-tech-recommendation](http://washburn.edu/rad-tech-recommendation). This link will direct the selected reference to an online recommendation letter for completion.
- You must print a copy of the email you sent to your references and include these printed emails in the application packet as proof of request. (**max 1 page per request**)
- If a reference letter is not received, the program will send one email to the reference soliciting completion using the email address provided on the printed and submitted email.
  - If the applicant fails to include printed emails and no reference letters are submitted, the applicant will receive a score of 0 for that reference.
8. Radiology Essay.
    - After completing your observations and researching Washburn’s Radiologic Technology Program, prepare a written summary in accordance with the guidelines on **page fifteen (15)**.

9. All documents contained within the application must be submitted as an entire packet to the Allied Health Office. Do NOT submit individual documents one at a time; this includes transcripts. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed. Students will not be notified if their application is incomplete.
10. If you have previously applied for admission to the Radiographer Program, you must resubmit all application packet documents for the current year's criteria. There is no guarantee of acceptance to the Radiographer Program at Washburn University, even if applying for a second or third time.
11. After the evaluation of the written application at the end of February, no more than 50 percent of applicants will be offered a virtual interview (Zoom). Interviews will only be held on **Thursday, March 5<sup>th</sup>**, and **Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>**, and will last 15-20 minutes. The selection of approximately 28-30 students will come from the interview group. The first three students placed on the waitlist will receive the opportunity to be automatically accepted for the **Fall of 2027** if they do not get picked up in the **Fall of 2026**. The student's score on the **2026** application will be used to figure rankings for the **2027 class**.
12. If applying as an international student, see page **four (4)** of this packet.
13. **The deadline for completed application submission is February 1<sup>st</sup>. Faxed, emailed, or late applications will not be accepted.** Selection to the program is based on Academic Record (grade point average and college-level courses completed), Radiology Essay, Observation Evaluation, Radiology Interview, work and/or volunteer experience, and Recommendation Letters. All written application documents are evaluated and scored by the Radiographer Admission Committee.
  - Individuals applying for scholarships and financial aid should note the priority deadline of **February 15<sup>th</sup>** for completed applications. Contact the Washburn Financial Aid Office in Morgan Hall for more information.
  - School of Applied Studies scholarship applications are available at [www.washburn.edu/sas/](http://www.washburn.edu/sas/), and the deadline is **February 15<sup>th</sup>**.
  - Upon graduation from the professional program, one is eligible to apply for the national certification examination through the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT).

**SEND ALL APPLICATION MATERIALS IN ONE ENVELOPE DIRECTLY TO THE RADIOGRAPHER PROGRAM. Application documents may be hand-delivered or mailed to the address below:**

**Radiographer Program  
Allied Health Department  
School of Applied Studies, Room 201 A  
Washburn University  
1700 SW College  
Topeka, KS 66621**

Hillary Lolley, MBA, RT(R)  
785-670-1535  
[hillary.lolley@washburn.edu](mailto:hillary.lolley@washburn.edu)

Michele Smith MS, RT(R)  
785-670-2173  
[michele.smith@washburn.edu](mailto:michele.smith@washburn.edu)

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADMISSION (Allied Health Department)

Support services for international students, including assistance with the university admissions process and processing documents used to apply for an F-1 student visa are provided by the Office of International Programs. For more information about the university admissions process and obtaining an F-1 visa, please contact the International Program Office at +1 (785) 670-1051 or [international@washburn.edu](mailto:international@washburn.edu).

Please be aware that the **following programs are only offered in an on-line format and therefore do not meet the USCIS (Immigration) enrollment requirement for F-1 visa students**. This means that students interested in these programs are not eligible to apply for an F-1 visa to pursue this degree program on the Washburn campus:

Bachelor of Health Science  
Diagnostic Medical Sonography  
Health Information Technology

Magnetic Resonance Imaging  
Radiation Therapy  
Technology Administration

### International students applying to any Allied Health program must:

Contact the specific Allied Health program coordinator to determine program admission eligibility:

AH Program	Director	E-mail Address
Medical Laboratory Sciences	Toni Caldwell	marie.caldwell@washburn.edu
Occupational Therapy Assistant	Stephanie Sedlacek	stephanie.sedlacek@washburn.edu
Physical Therapist Assistant	Mark Kohls	mark.kohls@washburn.edu
Radiologic Technology	Hillary Lolley	hillary.lolley@washburn.edu
Respiratory Therapy	Ida Johnson	Ida.johnson@washburn.edu

After determining program admissibility, submit a completed [Washburn University International Application for Admission](#), and complete and submit all [requirements for university admission](#), as well as according to the specific Allied Health program.

Request that official transcript/s of courses and grades be sent to the Department of Allied Health, Washburn University, from all previously attended institutions. Transcripts from courses completed at universities in another country must be evaluated by a Washburn University-recognized evaluation service such as [Educational Credential Evaluators](#) (ECE) or [World Education Services](#) (WES). A course-by-course report is required, and the cost of this evaluation is paid by the student. Click here for [Transcript Requirements](#).

International students are required to demonstrate adequate English proficiency to be admitted into Allied Health programs. This English proficiency requirement can be satisfied by IBT TOEFL or IELTS test score submission:

**IBT TOEFL minimum scores:** Writing 20, Speaking 20, Reading 19, Listening 20

**IELTS minimum scores:** Writing 6.5, Speaking 6.5, Reading 6.5, Listening 6.5

Please be aware that an additional evaluation of English language proficiency may be required at the discretion of AH faculty for any student.

Washburn University also offers English as a Second Language courses through its Intensive English Program. For more information, please click [here](#).

A specific Allied Health program may have additional requirements for the admission of the international student. These additional requirements must be fulfilled to be considered for admission to the specific program.

**RADIOGRAPHER PROGRAM, WASHBURN UNIVERSITY**  
**MISSION STATEMENT**

The Radiologic Technology (Radiographer) Program is focused on development of qualified medical imaging technologists who provide optimum patient care through competency and professional conduct.

**PROGRAM GOALS**

1. Students and graduates will demonstrate clinical competence.  
Outcome 1: Students will apply positioning skills.  
Outcome 2: Students will validate proper patient care
2. Students will utilize critical thinking and problem-solving skills.  
Outcome 1: Students will be able to adapt positioning for trauma patients.  
Outcome 2: Students will perform non-routine exams.
3. Students will be able to communicate effectively.  
Outcome 1: Students will demonstrate written communication skills.  
Outcome 2: Students will demonstrate oral communication skills.

**ELIGIBILITY FOR CERTIFICATION**

All candidates must comply with the Rules of Ethics contained in the ARRT Standards of Ethics. The Rules of Ethics are mandatory standards of minimally acceptable professional conduct for all Registered Technologists and candidates. The Rules are intended to promote the protection, safety and comfort of patients. Registered Technologists and candidates engaging in any of the conduct or activities noted in the Rules of Ethics, or who permit the occurrence of such conduct or activities, have violated the Rules of Ethics and are subject to sanctions. One issue addressed by the Rules of Ethics is conviction of a crime — which includes a felony, gross misdemeanor or misdemeanor, the only exceptions being speeding and parking violations. All alcohol and/or drug related traffic violations must be reported. “Conviction,” as used in this provision, includes a criminal proceeding where the individual enters a plea of guilty, Alford plea or no contest (nolo contendere); or the adjudication of guilt is either withheld or deferred; or the sentence is stayed, set aside or suspended; or there is a pre-trial diversion.

If you’re concerned about whether your conviction record will affect eligibility, you can find out before even beginning an educational program. ARRT investigates all potential violations to determine eligibility, which can cause delays in processing applications. Avoid delay by requesting a pre-application review of the violation before or during your education, rather than waiting until completing the educational program. (If you expect to graduate within six months, use the Application for Certification and Registration instead of the pre-application form.) ARRT determines the violation’s impact on your eligibility. Once you establish ethics eligibility, you may proceed with application. Download the pre-application packet [https://www.arrt.org/docs/default-source/ethics/ethics-review-preapplication.pdf?sfvrsn=74a101fc\\_44](https://www.arrt.org/docs/default-source/ethics/ethics-review-preapplication.pdf?sfvrsn=74a101fc_44) or request a copy by phoning ARRT 651.687.0048, ext. 8580.

**FALL 2026 PROGRAM APPLICATION  
RADIOGRAPHER PROGRAM, WASHBURN UNIVERSITY**

First Name	Middle	Maiden	Last	Washburn WIN
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Address	City	State	Zip
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Phone Number	E-mail Address
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**College(s): List any college or university at which you are enrolled in or have completed coursework.**

College Name	City/State	Hours Earned or Degree
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**High School and Non-College Program(s) attended, such as Technical College, CNA, etc.**

Name	City/State	Study Area
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Indicate the year you are applying for entry: Fall \_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied to the program before? Yes or No

Are you a U.S. Citizen? Yes or No

Are you applying as an International Student? Yes or No

Indicate your preference in regards to clinical placement (patient experience) in order from 1 (first) to 10 (last):  
For more information, see "Frequently Asked Questions" at <http://www.washburn.edu/academics/college-schools/applied-studies/departments/allied-health/xr/frequently-asked-questions.html>

Atchison, KS \_\_\_\_\_

Burlington, KS \_\_\_\_\_

Junction City, KS \_\_\_\_\_

Lawrence, KS \_\_\_\_\_

Manhattan, KS \_\_\_\_\_

Seneca, KS \_\_\_\_\_

Topeka, KS \_\_\_\_\_

Truman Medical Center, KC, MO \_\_\_\_\_

Holton \_\_\_\_\_

Onaga \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Applicant	Date
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## TRANSCRIPT REVIEW WORKSHEET

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Completion of Academic Courses:**

**Section 1:** Carefully review the unofficial transcripts included in your application packet. Use the table below to indicate which courses you have completed, the course title, the grade you earned, and the institution where each was taken.

**For section 1**, you may include any course that aligns with the listed 'Course Category.' For example, a public speaking class would qualify as a communications course.

Course Category	Course Title	Grade	Institution
Communication			
The Washburn Experience (only WU)			
Psychology			
Sociology or Anthropology			

### **Section 2:**

Carefully review the unofficial transcripts included in your application packet. Use the table below to indicate which courses you have completed, the credit hours associated with the course, the grade you earned, and the institution where each was taken.

**For Section 2**, only include courses that appear on your transcript exactly as listed below.

Course	Credit Hours	Grade	Institution
College Algebra			
Natural Science Biology, Physics or Chemistry			
Anatomy			
Physiology			
Anatomy & Physiology			
Foundations of Healthcare (WU only)			

### **Degree Completion:**

Have you completed either an associates or bachelors degree **by 2/1/25**: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, from what institution? \_\_\_\_\_

## OBSERVATION INSTRUCTIONS RADIOGRAPHER PROGRAM, WASHBURN UNIVERSITY

An element of the admission process to the Radiographer Program is a four (4) hour morning observation/shadow in a radiology department of a hospital, not a clinic or physician's office. The four hours spent in the radiology department should be considered an interview.

- Schedule the observation/shadow experience early in the application process rather than waiting until mid-January.
- During this time, you will observe the completion of various radiology examinations. You should take the initiative to observe as many exams as possible. **The focus of this observation is general radiology, not CT, MRI, Sonography, etc.** You must maintain confidentiality regarding each patient.
- You will record all examinations observed on the **RADIOLOGY PROCEDURES DOCUMENTATION** form and return it with your submitted application.
- See the Radiology Essay on **page fifteen (15)** regarding the submission of questions related to your observation.
- Patients will be aware of your presence; therefore, your appearance should be professional. The approved observation dress should be slacks and a blouse/shirt. **DO NOT wear scrubs, blue jeans, sweatpants, tank tops, shorts, sandals, or heels.** The Radiology Department has the right to cancel the observation if your appearance is deemed inappropriate.

**An evaluation is submitted online by the ARRT-registered technologist you observed. It is the applicant's responsibility to request submission and obtain the technologist's signature on the OBSERVATION EVALUATION REQUEST.**

During your shadow experience, remember to

1. Give the technologist the completed **OBSERVATION EVALUATION page eleven (11)**. This document will stay with the technologist you observed.
2. Ask the technologist you observed to complete the **OBSERVATION EVALUATION REQUEST page ten (10)**. You should leave the clinical site with this document complete.
3. During your observation, complete the **RADIOLOGY PROCEDURES DOCUMENTATION page thirteen (13)**.

Students will be graded on the following.

1. *Initiative*: Demonstrated a desire to observe all possible examinations.
2. *Professionalism*: Was polite and courteous regarding interaction with others. Maintained appropriateness in the presence of patients.
3. *Communication Skills*: Articulated questions or comments in a manner that was easily understood. Demonstrates the ability to listen.
4. *Knowledge*: Displayed appropriate knowledge of the profession. Questions were asked related to the profession.
5. Did the student access their phone at any time during the observation?
6. *Appearance*: Dressed appropriately for the patient care environment. Displayed suitable hygiene.
7. Did the applicant leave a completed **OBSERVATION EVALUATION REQUEST** with you?

### INFORMATION FOR CONTACTING CLINICAL SITES FOR OBSERVATION

It is preferred but not required that the applicant observe at one of the healthcare facilities associated with the Washburn Radiographer Program. Call one of the program faculty for permission to observe at other facilities. You will contact the clinical site radiology department directly to schedule an observation.



- Atchison Hospital, Atchison, KS: 913-367-6642 (Kacie)
- Stormont Vail Flint Hills Hospital, Junction City, KS;  
Email [ClinicalExperience@stormontvail.org](mailto:ClinicalExperience@stormontvail.org) to request an Observation Application. Complete and return the Observation Application and any required documents; make sure to copy Suzann Pryor-Smith ([Suzann.pryor@stormontvail.org](mailto:Suzann.pryor@stormontvail.org)), the Clinical Preceptor for the site. Once you receive clearance to observe at Stormont Vail, schedule your observation with Suzann. Individuals observing at this facility must provide proof of the following:
  1. Negative TB skin test within the last 12 months
  2. Proof of influenza vaccine (October to April only)
  3. Copy of personal health insurance card
  4. Sign a confidentiality clause.
- Lawrence Memorial Hospital, Lawrence, KS; contact Kacie Kneidel, the student coordinator, at 785-505-3072 or email [Kacie.kneidel@LMH.org](mailto:Kacie.kneidel@LMH.org).
- The University of Kansas St. Francis Campus, Topeka, KS;  
Call Kelli Esser at 785-295-8338 or email Erick Watkins to request a Shadow/Observation Application. Complete and return to Kelli Esser, Radiology Dept., St. Francis Health, 1700 SW 7<sup>th</sup>, Topeka, KS 66606. You will then be contacted to schedule the actual date of observation.
- Stormont Vail Health, Topeka;  
Email [ClinicalExperience@stormontvail.org](mailto:ClinicalExperience@stormontvail.org) to request an Observation Application. Complete and return the Observation Application and any required documents; make sure to copy Tyra Coufal [tyra.coufal@stormontvail.org](mailto:tyra.coufal@stormontvail.org), the Clinical Preceptor for the site. Once you receive clearance to observe at Stormont Vail, schedule your observation with Michael. Individuals observing at this facility must provide proof of the following:
  - 1) Negative TB skin test within the last 12 months
  - 2) Proof of influenza vaccine (October to April only)
  - 3) Copy of personal health insurance card
  - 4) Sign confidentiality clause.
- Truman Medical Center (Hospital Hill), Kansas City, MO; 816-404-0692 (Abigail Loudon)
- VA Medical Center, Topeka, KS; 785-350-3111, ext. 52688 (Shawna or Elizabeth)
- Via Christi Hospital, Manhattan, KS; click on this link to apply for observation <https://healthcare.ascension.org/locations/kansas/kswic/manhattan-ascension-via-christi-hospital-in-manhattan/pre-professional-program>. The application is titled "Apply to the pre-professional program. Once the application is complete, contact Justin to schedule your observation at 785-323-6915  
Individuals observing must provide proof of the following:
  - 1) Negative TB skin test within the last 12 months
  - 2) Two MMR vaccinations or titer test
  - 3) Chickenpox (varicella) vaccine or titer test.



**SCHOOL OF APPLIED STUDIES**

Allied Health

**Radiologic Technology Program Fall of 2026 Admission**

**OBSERVATION EVALUATION REQUEST**

I \_\_\_\_\_ received the QR code to complete the online observation  
Printed Technologist Name

evaluation for \_\_\_\_\_, which was completed on \_\_\_\_\_.  
Student's Name Date

ARRT registered technologist Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Technologist Signature

Name of the facility where the observation occurred: \_\_\_\_\_

This completed document must be included in the documents submitted with the application.

## OBSERVATION EVALUATION

**Applicant:** Complete the information section below and then give this form to the radiologic technologist you observed. This form will be left behind for the technologist to complete later.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student's contact information: \_\_\_\_\_

**Supervising Technologist:** Prospective Radiographer students are required to spend four (4) hours in a clinical setting observing the functions of the radiology department in general, fluoroscopy, and mobile areas. We recommend interviewing the individual at the end of the observation.

- Washburn University EEO discourages accessing social media during the application process due to potential liability. If you have questions, contact either Hillary ([hillary.lolley@washburn.edu](mailto:hillary.lolley@washburn.edu)) or Michele ([michele.smith@washburn.edu](mailto:michele.smith@washburn.edu)).
- Washburn University prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, age, national origin, ancestry, disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information, veteran status, or marital or parental status.

To submit the evaluation, please scan this QR code with the camera on your cell phone and complete it. This will not require additional downloads or software and will take 5 min or less to complete.

To: Supervising Radiologic Technologist

From: Washburn University Radiographer Program Faculty

One element of the Radiographer Program admission process is the observation/shadow experience. Please be aware of the following directions while supervising the prospective student.

- Students have been advised of appropriate dress. If their dress is not professional, you have the right to cancel the observation and reschedule. If this happens, please notify the radiographer program.
- Prospective students are fearful of being in the way or doing something wrong. As such, please direct them as to what they should or shouldn't do while in the department.
- The primary purpose is to observe general diagnostic, fluoroscopic, and mobile examinations. Assure that the student is given direction on moving from room to room in order to observe the maximum number of examinations.
- They will record all examinations observed and submit them as part of their application.
- If it is a slow day, encourage them to schedule another observation. When rating "initiative", did the student show a desire to observe the various examinations? Do not rate them low just because it was a slow day, but they took the initiative to observe the available exams.
- If possible, interview the student for a few minutes during/following the observation for a more accurate evaluation.



Students are required to observe for a minimum of four (4) hours in the morning. Again, if it is a slow day, encourage them to schedule another observation either at your facility or a busier site.

Thank you for your assistance in this very important element of the application process. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

*Hillary and Michele*



**RADIOLOGY PROCEDURES DOCUMENTATION**  
**Radiologic Technology/Radiographer Observation**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date & Location of Observation \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Procedure	Patient Age & Physical Condition
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Return this form with all application documents.

**FALL 2026 WEB-BASED OBSERVATION  
RADIOGRAPHER PROGRAM, WASHBURN UNIVERSITY**

**Introduction:** The applicant will view all of the designated websites below in order to gain knowledge and understanding of the profession. See the Observations Summary Essay section regarding the submission of written essay questions. All links were functional at the time the application was published in June 2025. If you encounter a broken link, you may skip it.

**Section 1**

Link to the American Society of Radiologic Technologists, Career Center located at: <https://www.asrt.org/main/career-center/careers-in-radiologic-technology>. View the following sections of information below.

- What do Radiologic Technologists Do?
- RT 101: Introduction to medical imaging and radiation therapy modalities (40 minutes).
- RT 101: Introduction to X-ray Physics (19 minutes).
- Radiologic Technologist on the Medical Imaging Team – Radiographers.
- What Physicians do RTs Work With? – Diagnostic radiologists.
- RADCADEMY:
  - High Tech, High Touch
  - Taking care of patients
  - Seeing patients from the inside out
  - The science behind the technology

**Section 2**

Connect to the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists at <https://www.arrt.org/about-the-profession/learn-about-the-profession>.

- Learn about the Profession
  - What do Radiologic Technologists do?
  - Professional Discipline of Radiography.

**Section 3**

- A. Watch the video on how to perform a “Routine Chest X-ray” at the following YouTube link: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pHbVw\\_OgSEs](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pHbVw_OgSEs) (6 minutes)
- B. Complete “Pigg-o-stat Pediatric Chest X-ray” video of 2 minutes at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=08gOiUuPy9k>
- C. View video titled “Stretcher foot x-ray - Geriatric Lower” (7 minutes): [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r2yZQ\\_WAQdl](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r2yZQ_WAQdl)

**Section 4**

The focus of this section is communication and requires completion of a 5:13-minute video titled “Radiology Patient Interviews,” which is located at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mQu1j0LvqFY>

**Section 5**

Review Federal websites for the occupational outlook at <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/radiologic-technologists.htm> and a more thorough listing of job skills for Radiologic Technologists via O\*NET at <https://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/29-2034.00>. See both the Summary and Details sections.

**FALL 2026 RADIOLOGY ESSAY  
RADIOGRAPHER PROGRAM, WASHBURN UNIVERSITY**

**Healthcare professionals must possess good written communication skills. The Radiology essay is evaluated for content and grammar.**

Please answer the following questions specifically in relation to the Radiographer Program. Each response should be preceded by the corresponding question, typed in bold. Your answers should be typed in 12-point Calibri font, single-spaced, and formatted to fit within a maximum of two (2) printed pages (front and back).

1. What do you think you will like most about the occupation?
2. What kinds of communication situations cause you difficulty? Give an example.
3. Describe an event when you had to listen attentively in order to act quickly.
4. What five traits do you feel are necessary for a student to be successful in the radiologic technology program?
5. A large part of being successful in the patient-care-based clinical setting requires students to observe the situation, assess, and then replicate what was learned during observation and assessment. Describe one/two similar situations you have been involved with and provide a summary of your approach/process and the results.
6. Reflecting on your four (4)-hour observation, which exams did you find most interesting and why? Based on your experience, what responsibilities did the technologist perform, and which of these might be challenging for you?
7. Related to the communication video, answer the following question. Discuss the purpose of the stated communication tools when gathering patient history: Probing Questions, Facilitation Questions, and Repetition.
8. After reviewing all sources of information in Sections 1-5, do you feel you have the physical capabilities to perform those tasks on a routine basis? What concerns might you have?
9. Review professional program policies (Section 1 and 2 of the clinical manual) which can be viewed online at [www.washburn.edu/xray](http://www.washburn.edu/xray) and then click on Clinical Education. Do you agree to abide by these? Address any questions you have concerning these policies.
10. Review the Essential Functions located at [www.washburn.edu/xray](http://www.washburn.edu/xray) and then select Essential Functions. Do you have any questions relating to this document?

## **ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS**

### **RADIOGRAPHER PROGRAM, WASHBURN UNIVERSITY**

The Essential Functions have been established through consideration by faculty and consultation through various sources such as the Occupational Outlook Handbook, Dictionary of Occupational Titles, American Society of Radiologic Technologists, Occupational Information Network and Occupational Skills Standards Project from the National Health Care.

The radiologic technology student must have the ability to perform all requirements of the essential functions of a workday. Areas addressed include:

- Mental and concentration demands
  - Communication ability
  - Sensitivity to physical and psychological needs of patients
  - Professionalism
  - Physical demands
  - Vision and hearing
  - Safety practices
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- Go to <https://washburn.edu/academics/college-schools/applied-studies/departments/allied-health/xr/index.html> and select Essential Functions for complete information.



## SPECIAL CONSIDERATION PROCESS

If your GPA is in the range of 2.79 – 2.5 and you would like to be considered for special approval to apply, please send a single email addressed to both the Program Director and Clinical Coordinator that includes the following:

1. **Your Current Cumulative GPA**

Clearly state your most recent cumulative GPA.

2. **Explanation for GPA**

Provide a brief explanation of the circumstances or challenges that contributed to your lower GPA.

3. **Recent Academic Performance**

Include your most recent semester GPA and highlight any improvements or academic successes.

4. **Plan for Future Success**

Describe the specific steps you've taken—and plan to take—to raise your GPA and ensure academic success moving forward.

5. **Transcripts**

Attach **copies of all your transcripts** to the email. Unofficial transcripts are acceptable.

### Email Recipients:

- Program Director Hillary Lolley, MBA, RT(R) — [hillary.lolley@washburn.edu](mailto:hillary.lolley@washburn.edu)
- Clinical Coordinator Michele Smith, MS, RT(R) — [michele.smith@washburn.edu](mailto:michele.smith@washburn.edu)

If you have questions, you may contact:

- Hillary Lolley at 785-670-1535
- Michele Smith at 785-670-2173

## APPLICATION CHECKLIST

**Part 1:** As the applicant, you are responsible for **completing all aspects** of the application process by February 1<sup>st</sup>. Applications postmarked or hand-delivered after February 1<sup>st</sup> will not be accepted. Submit all application documents in one envelope; do NOT mail in documents one at a time. The completed application packet may be mailed or hand-delivered to the Allied Health Office in the School of Applied Studies, Room 201 A. Faxed documents or PDF files sent via email cannot be accepted under the policy of the Allied Health Department.

**If any of the items listed below are not included in your submission, your application WILL NOT be reviewed.**

The following documents should be contained within your submitted application in the order they appear below:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Print Hillary's response to your email informing the program of your intent to submit an application. (max 1 page)
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Radiologic Technology Program Application (max 1 page)
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Academic Transcripts (unofficial is acceptable)
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Transcript Review Worksheet
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Resume (max 1 page)
6. \_\_\_\_\_ The completed OBSERVATION EVALUATION REQUEST form.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Printed email request for recommendation, with the link to complete the reference letter. Letter #1 (max 1 page)
8. \_\_\_\_\_ Printed email request for recommendation, with the link to complete the reference letter. Letter #2 (max 1 page)
9. \_\_\_\_\_ Radiology Procedures Documentation (filled out while completing 4-hour observation)
10. \_\_\_\_\_ Radiology Essay

### Application Status Update:

You will receive an email regarding your application status from Lisa Rieschick ([lisa.rieschick@washburn.edu](mailto:lisa.rieschick@washburn.edu)) within four business days of submitting your application. If you submitted your application by mail, please allow up to seven business days to receive a status update. Kindly refrain from emailing Lisa to inquire about your application before the appropriate time has passed, as doing so may delay the processing of all applications.

### Part II:

- Written evaluation of applications begins immediately after the February 1<sup>st</sup> deadline.
- After the scoring of the written applications, around 35-40 individuals will be contacted at the end of February for an interview. Notification of interview scheduling will be sent via email.
- Individuals not selected for the interview will receive a notice via email.
- Interviews will be held on **March 5<sup>th</sup> and March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026**
- Notification of acceptance will be sent by **March 15<sup>th</sup>** via email.
- Those not accepted will be placed on a waitlist in the event of openings.