

Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)

Associate in Applied Science Degree

This program provides students with no prior training in imaging or degrees in other areas to enter into the field of Magnetic Resonance Imaging. Upon completion of this program students will be eligible to sit for the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists' (ARRT) Exam in MRI. Students of this program will be able to perform quality MRI exams in hospitals, imaging centers, or other areas upon completion of the program.

Program Length

AAS Degree Program-Full Time (5 semesters)

Admission Cycle

A45800 AAS Degree Program-Full time (Fall entry)

Maximum Number Admitted Annually

AAS Program- 10

Recommended Preparations Beyond College Requirements

- High school biology, anatomy and physiology
- High School Algebra I
- High School Physics
- CPR Certified
- CNA I certified (by first day of class)
- Strength in critical thinking skills

Attributes Helpful in this Career Choice

- People person
- Self starter-motivated
- Attention to detail
- Critical thinking
- Dependability
- Good technology and computer skills

Special Program Facts

Upon completion of the AAS program graduates will be eligible to take the exam offered by the ARRT. This program provides a great amount of clinical experience and competencies. It may require driving distances to clinical sites. The MRI technologist will be expected to perform at very high standards and must maintain a high level of responsibility and integrity.

Employment Opportunities

Major employment opportunities include: hospitals, imaging centers, and mobile MRI companies.

Approximate Entry-Level Annual Base Salary Range:

Median annual earning of MRI technologists were \$50,000 in 2005. This does not include any shift differential for a 2nd or 3rd shift position.