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Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) – Advanced Placement

Summer 2021 Priority Deadline: February 12, 2021 ***Admissions Information***

Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) – Advanced Placement is a selective enrollment program beginning each summer. Entry to this program is available to graduates of Radiography, Nuclear Medicine, or Radiation Therapy Programs accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiography, Radiation Therapy, or Nuclear Medicine. Resources such as clinical facilities and faculty, as well as approval standards, limit the number of applicants accepted to 1-3 students depending on clinical space. Currently enrolled student applicants will only compete for seats with other currently enrolled student applicants in the final semester of a qualifying primary modality educational program. If the minimum number of designated seats from either the seasoned technologists or currently enrolled student groups is not filled, applicants from either group will be considered for any remaining seats. Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) – Advanced Placement is an advanced one-year diploma program and all applicants must meet minimum requirements to be considered for admission. Please note, however, that meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee admission.

Any program specific questions should be directed to Melissa Smith, Program Coordinator for MRI, at 336-757-3349 or msmith@forsythtech.edu. Qualified applicants will be ranked based on criteria listed in this packet. Applicants not admitted to the program must reapply and complete a new MAR Review if they wish to be considered for the following year's class.

PHASE I: APPLICATION PROCESS

The following steps must be completed by February 21, 2021 for the summer 2021 program. Please note you are <u>not</u> required

to participate in an Allied Health Information Session.
_____1. Complete the Residency Determination Service (RDS) and a Forsyth Tech application. If currently enrolled in classes at Forsyth Tech, complete the update form in the Admissions Office.
_____2. Complete the Forsyth Tech application.
_____3. Have official transcripts from all colleges or schools attended since high school sent to the Admissions Office. Official transcripts must have the school seal or original signature and be in a sealed unopened envelope or submitted electronically from the school. Electronic transcripts should be sent to Admissions@forsythtech.edu.

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- 3. Submit official copies of any Advanced Placement (AP) scores, if applicable.
- 4. Submit a copy of current ARRT, ARDMS, NMTCB certification/registration card if experienced technologist

PHASE II: MINIMUM ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

1. Primary Modality Educational Program Requirement

Applicants must have successfully completed a primary modality educational program accredited by a mechanism acceptable to American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT). Acceptable accreditation mechanisms are as follows:

- Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT)
- Joint Review Committee on Educational Programs in Nuclear Medicine Technology (JRCNMT)
- Regional Institutional Accrediting Agencies
 - Middle States Commission on Higher Education
 - New England Association of Schools and Colleges
 - North Central Association of Colleges and Schools
 - Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities
 - Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
 - Western Association of Schools and Colleges Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges and Senior College Commission
- Conjoint Accreditation Services of Canadian Medical Association
- Australian Institute of Radiography
- Accredited U.S. Military Program

2. <u>Certification/Registration Requirement</u>

Applicants must be certified or registered with the ARRT in:

- Radiography
- Radiation Therapy

Or certified or registered with the ARRT or NMTCB in:

Nuclear Medicine

3. Grade Point Average (GPA) Requirement

Applicants must have a final, cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher in the primary modality educational program.

4. <u>Currently Enrolled Student Applicant Requirements</u>

In addition to completing Phase I, currently enrolled applicants must meet the following criteria by the application deadline to be considered for admission:

- •Enrolled in the final semester of a qualifying primary modality educational program
- •Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher through Fall 2018

Acceptance is contingent upon the applicant satisfying all program requirements:

- A student applicant completing his or her Program of Study in **Spring Semester** must satisfy all program requirements by **May 15, 2021.**
 - o Successfully completed a primary modality educational program accredited by a mechanism listed in Section II, paragraph 1.
 - Be certified or registered by the ARRT or NMTCB in one of the following supporting disciplines by May 31, 2021
 - Radiography
 - Nuclear Medicine
 - Radiation Therapy
 - Have a final cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher in the primary modality educational program
 - Have a final official transcript from the primary modality college or school attended sent to the Admissions Office

Applicants who do not satisfy the program requirements by the required dates will lose their seat in the program for Summer 2021.

5. Complete a MAR review with an admissions counselor.

Please email <u>admissions@forsythtech.edu</u> to request your MAR review via email. Once we are able to complete the review virtually, you will be added to the applicant pool and notified about admission about a month after the February 12, 2021 deadline.

- Email a request for a virtual MAR review to admissions@forsythtech.edu
- Please note that these dates are unavailable for MAR reviews:
- October 13 school closed
- November 11 Veteran's Day school closed
- November 25-27 Thanksgiving school closed
- December 14 January 22 Holiday break school closed/Registration week/MLK holiday
- February 15-19 Nursing MAR's only
- No MAR reviews on Fridays

Please be aware of these days when the school is closed and expect that there will be a delay in the processing and response time on your MAR review request.

6. Check your Forsyth Tech email and keep your phone and address updated with the office

- Four to six weeks after the deadline we will notify you via your Forsyth Tech email about your status
- You will receive an email regardless of the result admitted, alternate, not admitted. We will not leave you without notification.
- If you are admitted to the program, there will be instructions in your admission letter with requirements that apply to admitted students make sure to meet any of those deadlines/requirements or you can lose your seat in the program
- If you are an alternate, we will contact you by phone or email if any seats open up in the program

Safety Information for Prospective Students

Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Technology involves the use of strong magnetic fields to acquire detailed cross-sectional images of the body. Because of the nature of these strong magnetic fields, it is important to inform potential students and the public regarding the possible hazards associated with working in the MR environment.

One of the most critical aspects of magnetic safety is the establishment of a thorough and effective screening process. This screening process assists in protecting students from MR system-related accidents and injuries by identifying implants, devices, or objects that may cause harm when introduced into the MR setting. Please read the page <u>Safety Information for Prospective Students</u> on the MRI website to review pertinent MRI safety information and a list of some of the implanted devices or objects that may interfere with a student's ability to work/learn in an MR environment. Please contact Melissa Smith, MSEd, RT (R) (MR), Program Coordinator 336-757-3349 or email msmith@forsythech.edu if you have any questions. All students admitted to the MRI Program will submit to MRI Screening prior to admission to clinical rotations. Clinical sites have the right to deny admission to students that have devices/implants deemed unsafe in the MR environment.

NOTE: The information provided in this packet is subject to change annually.

Health Admissions Agreement

I have reviewed this information and fully understand the requirements to compete for the MRI program at Forsyth Tech. I understand that the deadlines and specific information about eligibility are located in this program packet and it is my responsibility to read and review those requirements. I also understand that if I have questions, I can contact the Admissions office at admissions@forsythtech.edu or 336-734-7556.

Name:
Student ID or Birthdate:
Signature:
Date: