



**Forsyth Technical Community College
2100 Silas Creek Parkway
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**Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) – Advanced Placement
Summer 2024 Priority Deadline:
March 1, 2024
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, Sonography, 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 Vera Kimbrell, Program Coordinator, Magnetic Resonance Imaging at (336) 734-7286 or vkimbrell@forsythtech.edu or Herbert Ricks, Coordinator for Health Sciences and Public Safety Advising at hricks@forsythtech.edu. Qualified applicants will be ranked based on the 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.

Required steps for the MRI AP program application

1. Complete an application to Forsyth Tech (if you are not a current student)
2. Submit official transcripts
3. Submit proof of current ARRT, ARDMS, NMTCB certification/registration card if experienced technologist
4. Submit the MAR application

Details for each step are outlined below

1. Complete an application to Forsyth Tech

New and Former students (if it's been more than 1 year since you applied or enrolled in classes) must complete the online application at <https://www.forsythtech.edu/apply-ft/>
Complete NC Residency at www.ncresidency.org

Currently enrolled students do not need to submit a new application.

2. If you Submit official transcripts

Have **official** transcripts from all colleges or schools attended including high school (except for Forsyth Tech) sent to the Admissions and Records Office.

- Hospital-based transcripts must report the final cumulative GPA on a 1.0 - 4.0 scale.

Electronic transcripts can be sent through a secure service to admissions@forsythtech.edu

-or paper transcripts can be mailed to Forsyth Technical Community College Attn: Admissions 2100 Silas Creek Parkway
Winston Salem, NC 27103-5197

-or hand delivered in a **sealed** envelope to the Admissions and Records Office on the main campus

-emailed copies from you are NOT official

We must have:

- Official college transcripts where related classes were taken. Only undergraduate classes through bachelor's degree level, we do not need graduate level transcripts.
- If you realize after the deadline that you didn't send a needed transcript, it is too late to send additional transcripts. You will only be evaluated on transfer credit for transcripts received by the deadline.
- **If you are currently enrolled in the final semester of a JRCERT accredited A.A.S. degree program at an institution other than Forsyth Tech in Radiography, Radiation Therapy, or Nuclear Medicine Technology, you must submit an unofficial copy of your transcript until your final semester grades have been posted. We must receive your official final transcript prior to the start of the semester. Please attach your unofficial transcript to the MAR application (see question #7 on the MAR application)**

3. Submit proof of current ARRT, ARDMS, NMTCB certification/registration card

- Go to the appropriate website (arrt.org nmtcb.org ardms.org)
- Use the online verification option to view your credentials
- Create a screen capture of your information
- Upload a copy of your verification to your MAR application **(question #9)**

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

4. Submit the MAR application

You can only apply to **one** health program at a time at Forsyth Tech.
 Regularly check your Forsyth Tech email for any notifications about the MAR.

Access the online application below to be added to the applicant pool:

[MAR application MRI AP](#)

What to expect after submitting the application:

- Submitting the MAR application adds you to the MAR review applicant pool. We will send the paperwork as soon as we are able to complete the review. **Please note that you will be notified about your acceptance into the program after the deadline has passed.**
- Your paperwork will be emailed to you after your MAR application is reviewed. This can happen throughout the application process even up to two weeks after the deadline **so do not expect to be notified immediately.**
- **Check your Forsyth Tech email and keep your phone and address updated with the school.** We will email your MAR application paperwork to your Forsyth Tech email.
- Within 6 weeks after the deadline, you will be notified of your status – admitted, alternate, or not admitted regardless of the decision.
- 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 in the program.

Understanding the Minimum Requirements

Certification and Registration

Applicants must meet one of the following certification requirements:

- ARRT credentialed in radiography, radiation therapy, and/or nuclear medicine technology
- NMTCB certified in nuclear medicine technology
- ARDMS certified in Sonography
- Student applicants, see “Student Application and Admission Requirements” below.

Grade Point Average (GPA)

Minimum final cumulative GPA requirements in primary pathway educational program

- Radiography: 3.00
- Radiation Therapy: 3.00
- Nuclear Medicine Therapy: 3.00

Student Application and Admission Requirements

Currently enrolled Students must meet the following criteria to be considered for admission:

- Be currently enrolled in the final semester of a qualifying primary modality educational program and have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher through Spring 2024.
- Students completing their program of study in the Spring 2024 semester must satisfy all program requirements by May 20, 2024.
- Be certified or registered by the ARRT, NMTCB, or ARDMS in either Radiography, Nuclear Medicine, Radiation Therapy, or Sonography by June 30, 2024.
- Attach unofficial transcript to the MAR application (question #7)

Student acceptance is contingent upon the applicant satisfying the following admission requirements prior to the start of the entering semester:

- Submit an official, **final** transcript ([see page 2](#) for additional information) from all college(s) or school(s) attended (except for Forsyth Tech)
- Submit proof of ARRT or NMTCB certification and registration in supporting discipline.

Contingently accepted applicants who do not satisfy the admission requirements prior to the first day of their entering semester forfeit acceptance.

Ranking

Applicants with the highest cumulative GPA in their primary modality educational program will be accepted. Currently enrolled students are ranked using their 4th or 5th semester modality-specific cumulative GPA. In the event of a tie, the **completion** date of the MAR application will be the determining factor. An alternate list will also be developed. Alternates will only be accepted if a student originally accepted declines their seat. Applicants not admitted to the program must reapply if they wish to be considered for the next admission cycle.

Notification Procedure

Notification letters will be emailed to accepted students. Applicants who did not meet the minimum requirements for admission may submit a new application for the next admission cycle.

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 [Safety Information for Prospective Students](#) 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 Vera Kimbrell, Program Coordinator, Magnetic Resonance Imaging @ 336-734-7286 or vkimbrell@forsythtech.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.

