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RADIATION THERAPY

The radiation therapist is a key member of the professional team which uses various forms of radiation to treat cancer patients. Radiation therapy may be used alone, or in combination with surgery or chemotherapy, and is the treatment of choice for cure of many cancers. Because of sustained contact with patients, the radiation therapist has considerable responsibility in patient care, dietary counseling and treatment evaluation. The radiation therapist must also appreciate the significant psychological impact that cancer has on patients and their families. The program is accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT). The curriculum complies with the professional curriculum of the American Society of Radiologic Technologists. The program is a two and one-half year program beginning in the junior year. The junior and senior years combine clinical experiences in the affiliated radiation therapy facilities with advanced academic study in the RTT disciplines. The RTT program is designed to prepared students for the technical, theoretical, psychological aspects of this career. Students acquire the technical skill necessary to plan, deliver, and record a prescribed course of radiotherapy. Upon completion of the degree, students are eligible to sit for the national registry examination.

Admission Process

Admission to Texas State does not guarantee admission to the program. Admission to the program is competitive and selective. The academic sequence begins during the fall semester. Enrollment is limited by student/faculty ratios in the clinical components of the program.

1. Admission to the university.
2. Satisfactory completion of all general education requirements and a minimum overall grade point average of 2.75
3. An application for admission to the radiation therapy program.
4. Three letters of reference and a career goal statement.
5. Interview with admission committee.
6. Forty (40) hours clinical observation.
7. Deadline for submission of applications is January 15.

Note: Students who have completed an Associate Degree or Certificate in Radiation Therapy can receive credit toward the Bachelor of Healthcare Administration degree with a major in Healthcare Administration. Contact the Department of Healthcare Administration

For additional information:

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