

The Dalton State College Radiologic Technology Program has a structured, organized method of student recruitment and admissions. The College and the Program have policies that assure equal opportunity recruitment and admission procedures.

- 1) One class (20 students) is selected to begin the professional field courses from the applicant pool. The final selection for the class is completed in April with the class beginning rad tech courses in the Summer Semester. The program runs consecutively for six semesters. **Program applications are available from the beginning of June - November 1st or until 75 completed applications have been received. This number of 75 correlates to the limited number of apprenticeship appointments available, which is 75. Once the 75 applications have been received, no more applications will be available. The program application and other forms are due within 2 weeks of receiving the online application.** Interested applicants should contact Bria Hale bhale@daltonstate.edu, or Holly Miller hmillier@daltonstate.edu. Please use your 900# in the email request so our team may review your prerequisite information and academic history. If the applicant meets the academic qualifications, the applicant will be notified that an application is being sent.
Note: Minimum college cumulative GPA required: 2.80/4.00. As a point of GPA reference, starting program students on average have a cumulative college GPA of at least a 3.33/4.00. GPA is one of the indicators for the program selection process. Please read #4 below (Program Selection Criteria).
- 2) Not all applicants who apply to the program are selected to begin the two-year program. For this reason, student selection is based on program admission points. The program total of incoming Freshmen students is determined by the accreditation committee for radiologic technology educational programs. This number (20 incoming students) is dependent on several variables such as number of clinical facilities contracted for student supervision, equipment types in each facility, and number of registered radiologic technologists per facility.
- 3) The program is a full-time endeavor consisting of class and clinic Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. (mainly) for two years. The program does not offer part-time or distance education formats. To gain beneficial clinical experience, students will be required to attend several weekends and second-shift clinical assignments in a variety of clinical education sites throughout northwest Georgia and southeast Tennessee. The program involvement (clinical and class) does not exceed 40 hours per week, and clinical assignments are distributed fairly and equitably among cohort groups. Each student is required to experience a 40-hour clinical week before the start of the published college fall semester date each year. All program tests, courses, and Exit Exam must be passed with a grade of at least a score of 75% to progress through the program and graduation. The grading scale for courses in the radiologic technology program is as follows:

A = 93-100 B = 84-92 C = 75-83 F = 74 or below

- 4) **Program Selection Criteria:**
Students meeting the pre-rad tech requirements are not guaranteed admission to the Radiologic Technology program. Program enrollment is limited and competitive in nature based on admission points. Applicant admission points are evaluated after each phase of the admission process. Admission points include, but are not limited to: College Cumulative GPA, Science/Math GPA, number of college Withdrawals and Grades of D's/F's, completion of all program admission documents when due, evaluations of apprenticeship, reference forms scores, interview score, and scores on program testing. Those students meeting pre-rad tech requirements and completing all program admission documents will be evaluated by the faculty of the radiologic technology program and the applicants with the highest admission points will move on to program testing. Once program testing is completed and evaluated, the applicants with the highest admission points will be interviewed. After the completion of interviews, the applicants with the highest admissions points will be selected to begin the program in the Summer Semester. **All pre-rad tech courses must be completed before starting the program itself.**

Applicants must follow the Phases of Admission as listed in #5 below.

- 5) General admission procedures are:

- Phase I:
- A. Acceptance to Dalton State College (DSC) to ensure acceptance for the spring semester per the DSC catalog.
 - B. Completion of the following college courses with a minimum grade of a "C":
 - MATH 1111 College Algebra
 - BIOL 2251K Anatomy & Physiology I with lab
 - BIOL 2252K Anatomy & Physiology II with lab
 - C. **Minimum cumulative college Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.80/4.00.**
 - D. No more than two attempts to pass (with a C or better) any college Math and/or biological science courses.
 - E. Completion (or near completion) of the A.A.S. Degree pre-program college courses (See #6 below).
 - F. **If the above criteria is met: Contact Bria Hale at bhale@daltonstate.edu or 706-272-4587 with questions or concerns about the program application.**
 - G. Ms. Hale will evaluate the applicant's completed courses and contact the applicant with information on obtaining the online program application. The application must be completed within 3 weeks (21 days) of receiving the online application.
 - H. **Extensions of application document deadlines are made on a situational basis. Applicants will only proceed to Phase II if the program has received all admission documents by expected due dates.**
- Phase II: **Apprenticeship:** Once the program application has been received and the faculty has determined eligibility based on program admission points, the applicant will be contacted by the application coordinator to discuss and schedule clinical apprenticeship hours (see #7 below for specific details of apprenticeship). **There are a limited number (75) apprenticeship slots available.** Once the applicant has completed the 8 hours minimum of clinical apprenticeship as scheduled by the faculty, applicants will be evaluated by clinical personnel. Apprenticeships are scheduled starting after August 1st. Updated admission points will be calculated at this point. Applicants with lowest admission points to date will be notified that he/she will not proceed in the application process.
- Phase III: **Application Orientation Day:** Once all applicants have completed the apprenticeship and admission points to date have been calculated, the applicants with the highest admission points will be invited to attend Application Orientation Day (scheduled in the Spring semester). Applicants with the lowest admission point to date will be notified that he/she will not proceed in the application process.
- Phase IV: **Program Admissions Testing Day.** Applicants with the highest program admission points to date will be invited to attend program admission testing day. Upon evaluation of tests, updated admission points will be calculated again at this point. Applicants with the lowest admission points to date will be notified that he/she will not proceed in the application process.