

**Idaho State University
Department of Radiographic Science
Admissions Procedures/Policies
2007**

General

Have you ever been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor? The American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) may prohibit you from taking the certification examination if you have been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor. You should contact the ARRT to establish your eligibility if you have any doubt. (ARRT, 1255 Northland Drive, St. Paul, MN 55120-1155, Phone: (651) 687-0048)

Admission to the radiographic science program at Idaho State University is highly competitive. Openings are limited primarily due to limited available clinical education centers. As a result, a means of selecting those students with the greatest potential for success is necessary. Preference is given to Idaho residents.

Admission Criteria

Applicants are ranked according to overall academic grade point average (GPA) as well as grades in specific pre-professional courses. The ranking of students is accomplished as follows:

1. Points are awarded for grades in each of the following pre-professional courses:

a. BIOS 301 Anatomy & Physiology & Lab	4 cr.
b. BIOS 302 Anatomy & Physiology & Lab	4 cr.
c. MATH 143 College Algebra	3 cr.
d. RS 105 Intro. to Radiographic Science	1 cr.
e. HCA 110 Intro. to Allied Health Prof.	2 cr.
f. HCA 210 Medical Terminology & Comm.	2 cr.
g. ENG 101 English Composition	3 cr.
h. Goal 12 Course	3 cr.
i. CIS 101 Intro. to Computer Systems	3 cr.
j. COMM 101 Principles of Speech	3 cr.*
k. PHYS 100 Essentials of Physics	4 cr.
l. ACCT 201 Principles of Accounting	3 cr.
m. HCA 350 Org. Behavior in Health Care	3 cr.
n. HCA 375 Health Care Law	3 cr.
o. HCA 384 Human Resource Management	3 cr.
p. Goal 6, 7 or 8 Course	3 cr.
q. Goal 6, 7 or 8 Course	3 cr.
r. CHEM 101 Intro to General Chemistry	3 cr.**
s. Goal 9, 10 or 11 Course	3 cr.
t. Goal 9, 10 or 11 Course	3 cr.
u. ENG 102 Critical Reading & Writing	3 cr.
v. MATH 253 Intro to Statistics	3 cr.

* Students who completed COMM 101 for 2 credits at ISU prior to the change of the credits to 3 shall have COMM 101 weighted at 3 credits. Transfer courses for COMM 101 shall be weighted in accordance with the credit hours of transfer but for no greater than 3 credits.

** Students who completed CHEM 101 Essentials of Chemistry for 5 cr. before the course was changed to CHEM 101 Intro to General Chemistry 3 cr. will have the course weighted as 3 cr..

A grade of A is worth 4 points, B's are 3 points, C's are 2 points, D's are 1 point, and F's are 0 points. Plus (+) and minus (-) grades are converted to whole letter grades for point assignments. The points are then multiplied times the credit hour weighting of the course to determine the **total** points for each course. Credits transferred to ISU that are considered as equivalent to the ISU course(s) listed above, will be weighted according to the credit hours from the original institution, but no greater than the ISU course weighting. For example, if a student completed a four (4)-credit college algebra course at XYZ University

and it is considered equivalent to the ISU MATH 143 course, the weighting would be three (3) credits and not four (4). Quarter credit hour credits will be converted to "semester" credits for the purpose of weighting. One (1) quarter credit hour shall be considered to be 2/3 of a semester credit hour.

If a student tests out of a course or is otherwise given credit for a course by the ISU Registrar, including military credit, then the grade used for calculation of points shall be an "A" unless a different letter grade is earned (i.e. B, C, D, or F). If a student tests out of a course or is otherwise given credit for a course by the ISU Registrar, including military credit, but takes the course anyway, then the grade used for calculation of points shall be the grade earned in the course.

2. Residency - Idaho residents shall be awarded 4 points and non-resident ISU students will be awarded 2 points. Being an ISU student means that the student has been enrolled at ISU during the academic year in which the student applies to the program.
3. The total points accumulated from the calculations in #1 and #2 above shall then be multiplied times the student's overall academic grade point average, for a total point value.
4. The students will be ranked according to the total points accumulated in #3 above. The students with the highest accumulated points will be selected for program admission in accordance with the number of openings available. For example, if there are 20 vacancies then the top 20 students will be selected.***

***(No student will be selected for program admission that has not completed MATH 143, College Algebra; and BIOS 301 and 302, Anatomy & Physiology with grades of "C" minimum, prior to the commencement of professional course work, regardless of a student's total accumulated points. An overall GPA of 2.25 minimum is also required.)

5. Alternates for admission will be selected on the basis of their ranking as described in #4 above.

Deadlines

Applications must be complete and submitted on or before February 15 of the year in which the student is seeking to begin professional course work. Classes begin in the fall semester. A completed application consists of four (4) items as follows: 1. Admission to Idaho State University. 2. Completed application form for the radiographic science program. 3. College transcripts of ALL College course work completed up to the time of application. 4. A \$30.00 non-refundable application fee, made payable to the Department of Radiographic Science.

Notification of Acceptance

Students should be informed by April 15 of their admission status. Notification will be sooner if possible. In order to guarantee a seat in the program, the student is required to submit a deposit of \$50.00 by a date that will be specified in their acceptance letter. The deposit is non-refundable, however it will be applied to the student's instructional fees for the fall semester. This fee is separate from the application fee of \$30.00, which is not applied to the student's instructional fees.

Clinical Assignments

Assignment to affiliated hospital radiology departments for clinical education is done by Radiographic Science Department Faculty. **You may be assigned to any hospital that is affiliated with the Radiographic Science Department.**

Background Checks

Students must pass a background check prior to clinical attendance. Acceptance to the ISU radiographic science program does not guarantee you will pass the background check.

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