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RADIOGRAPHER



“ Even though it is a highly technical profession I still have everyday contact with the patients. ”

THE HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE TEAM NEEDS YOU

RADIOGRAPHER

Diagnostic Radiographer

Diagnostic Radiographers are involved directly with the patient producing high-quality images of organs, limbs and other parts of the body to allow diagnoses and assessment of disease and injuries. They work with a range of different 'high tech' methods of examination, including x-rays, computed tomography (CT) scanning, magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) or ultrasound.

Therapeutic Radiographer

Therapeutic Radiographers use high-energy radiation to treat cancer and other conditions. They are responsible for targeting the correct dose of radiation at the site of the disease. Working with other specialists, they plan each patient's course of treatment. They also explain the process to the patient and discuss possible side effects and care throughout treatment. During treatment they assess patients on a daily basis, monitor side effects and provide support.

Skills Required:

Radiographers need technical skill and academic ability. They must be comfortable working with complex equipment and keep up to date with fast-moving developments. Your training will provide the necessary clinical and technical expertise.

However, you will be working closely with patients who may be anxious and distressed, therefore you should be a good communicator and be able to offer support, empathy and encouragement to patients.

Training Programme:

BSc Hons Radiography

University of Ulster undergraduate full-time four year programme

Entry Qualifications:

A minimum of 300 UCAS Tariff Points to include grades BB (to include one GCE science subject at minimum grade B or VCE Double Award Science).

GCSE passes at grade C or above in Mathematics, Physics and Biology or Chemistry are also required.

Career Pathway:

Choices for the Diagnostic Radiographer include trauma/accident and emergency, CT scanning, MRI, nuclear medicine, breast screening and medical ultrasound. Radiographers may also choose to specialise in teaching, research, management or clinically as their careers progress.

Choices for the Therapeutic Radiographer include: treatment planning, treatment delivery, treatment review and palliative care.

Professional Recognition:

The course is accredited by the Society and College of Radiographers and the Health Professions Council (HPC). Radiography graduates are eligible for State Registration with HPC and membership of the Society of Radiographers.

How to Apply:

For undergraduate full-time programme, application should be made through Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS).

Web Links:

The University of Ulster – www.ulster.ac.uk

British Institute of Radiography - www.bir.org.uk

Society of Radiographers NI - www.sorni.org.uk

Society of Radiographers UK - www.sor.org

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