

Policy: G3 – Program Length**Rev.: 5/2018**

Bon Secours Health System, Inc.
 Richmond Region
 St. Mary's Hospital
 Policy/Procedure

Policy Manual: School of Medical Imaging
 Section: Student – General

Areas Affected: Students**Page 1 of 2****POLICY STATEMENT:**

The School of Medical Imaging Radiologic Technology program is a residential program 18 months (approximately 72 weeks) in length. The curriculum is based on Monday-Friday hours of 8:00 am - 4:30 pm, with the exception of a 3 week clinical rotation of 1:00pm - 9:30pm in the 4th or 5th semester. Total program hours will not exceed 40 hours per week.

Academic Credit Hours

Credit/Credit Hours Conversion Chart				
Curriculum	Didactic Credits	Clinical Credits	Lab/Practical Credits	Total Credits
Semester 1 (16 weeks)	9	4	2	15
Semester 2 (16 weeks)	9	4	2	15
Semester 3 (16 weeks)	9	6	1	16
Semester 4 (16 weeks)	7	6	2	15
Semester 5 (8 weeks)	5	3	1	9
Totals	39	23	8	70
Program Total Credits				70

Credit/Credit Hour: The number of credits awarded for a given course is determined by the number of lecture, lab, and/or clinical hours spent in instruction.

The following formula is used to calculate credit hours:

One semester credit is equal to:

- One hour of lecture per week for a semester or the equivalent number of hours.
- Two hours of lab per week for a semester or the equivalent number of hours.
- For every sixty-four (64) hours in the clinical setting (practicum) a student will be awarded one (1) credit hour.

Calendar: The 18-month program (approximately 72 weeks) is delivered in four standard semesters (Fall, Spring, Summer, and Fall) with a final Spring semester of eight weeks.

Definition of standard semester: 15 weeks plus a final exam week.

Definition of Academic Credit Hour

The School's definition of credit hour is congruent with requirements of the U.S. Department of Education.

A Credit Hour is:

1. One hour of classroom or direct faculty instruction and a minimum of two hours of out of class student work each week for approximately fifteen weeks for one semester, or the equivalent amount of work over a different amount of time; or
2. At least an equivalent amount of work of this definition for other academic activities including simulation and skill laboratory work (practice and check-off), clinical experiences, projects, and focus sheets.

The program does not allow early release of students. However, students can transfer in coursework. Please refer to the Transfer Credits Policy (G11).

Students are required to complete the entire program or transfer in equivalent coursework to be eligible for a certificate.

Maximum time allotted for students to complete the Radiologic Technology program is 27 months.


RESPONSIBLE PERSONS: Program Administration

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