

Practicum Education

Practicum education is the second component of the program. In order to meet goals and objectives of the Program, the student must be able to prove clinical competency by successfully completing the practicum education phase of the program. The practicum phase provides an environment for supervised competency based practicum education. While in the practicum setting the staff to student ratio will not exceed 1:1. Approximately 1624 hours of practicum rotations are assigned to the student to satisfy his/her practicum education.

This phase of the program is correlated with the didactic portion whenever possible. Upon entering the Radiologic Technology program, students are assigned practicum rotations at program affiliated clinical agency sites in the Department of Radiology under direct supervision of the Clinical Preceptor and registered radiologic technologists in order to obtain the necessary practicum education.

PROGRAM AFFILIATED CLINICAL AGENCY SITES

In order to successfully complete the required practicum education phase of the program, students will be required to travel to all geographically-dispersed clinical agency sites identified below.

Marian University's Radiologic Technology Program has affiliated with:

- Ascension St. Elizabeth Hospital, Appleton, WI
- Ascension Mercy Hospital, Oshkosh, WI
- Ascension Medical Group at Koeller Street in Oshkosh, WI
- Aurora Medical Center, Fond du Lac, WI
- Aurora Medical Center, Oshkosh, WI
- Aurora Medical Center Oshkosh Interventional Pain Clinic, Oshkosh, WI
- SSM Health St. Agnes Hospital, Fond du Lac, WI
- SSM Health Waupun Memorial Hospital, Waupun, WI
- Agnesian Health Care Surgery Center, Fond du Lac, WI

PRACTICUM ROTATION ASSIGNMENTS

RAD 314 Radiologic Practicum I

Practicum rotation assignments will occur Monday and Wednesday.

Students will complete practicum rotations assignments at the aforementioned clinical agency sites.

Practicum rotation assignments include:

- General radiographic rooms
- Fluoroscopy/Intravenous Urography
- Portable radiographic examinations
- Patient transportation rotation. Students are directly supervised by the employees in this area who will evaluate the student's performance.

RAD 334 Radiologic Practicum II and RAD 442 Radiologic Practicum III

Practicum rotation assignments will occur Monday, Wednesday and Fridays.

Students will complete practicum rotations assignments at the aforementioned clinical agency sites.

Practicum rotation assignments include:

- General radiographic rooms
- Fluoroscopy/Intravenous Urography
- Portable radiographic examinations
- Surgery Department assignments
- Interventional pain management procedures

RAD 453 Radiologic Practicum IV

Practicum rotations assignments will occur Tuesday, Thursday and Fridays.

Practicum rotation assignments include:

- As described in RAD 334 and 442
- Students will be assigned a total of four (4) evening rotations until the conclusion of the program. This rotation occurs on Tuesday, Thursday and Fridays from 3:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
- Computed Tomography (CT.) During the assigned rotations through this modality, the student will be required to demonstrate clinical competency on the various CT examinations/procedures that are commonly performed. It is also during these rotations the student will demonstrate clinical competency in venipuncture.

RAD 474 Radiologic Practicum V and RAD 475 VI

Practicum rotations assignment will occur Tuesday, Thursday and Friday as described in RAD 453.

Students will complete practicum rotations assignments at the aforementioned clinical agency sites.

Practicum rotation assignments include:

- As described in RAD 453
- Students will be assigned the following observational experiences:
 - Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)
 - Interventional radiology and cardiology
 - The MRI and interventional cardiology and radiology rotations are for observational purposes but the student can participate according to their ability and initiative levels, under the direct supervision of the radiologic technologists in those areas. There are competency evaluations that are to be completed on the student by the radiologic technologists in these respective modalities.

PRACTICUM ROTATION ASSIGNMENT HOURS

- Ascension St. Elizabeth Hospital (dayshift): 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- Ascension Mercy Hospital (dayshift): 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- Ascension Medical Group at Koeller Street: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- Aurora Medical Center Fond du Lac: 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- Aurora Medical Center Oshkosh (dayshift): 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- Aurora Medical Center Oshkosh Interventional Pain Clinic: 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- SSM Health St. Agnes Hospital (dayshift): 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- SSM Health Waupun Memorial Hospital: 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- Agnesian Health Care Surgery Center: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- (4) weeks of evening shifts (Ascension St. Elizabeth Hospital, Ascension Mercy Hospital, Aurora Medical Center Oshkosh, SSM St. Agnes Hospital only): 3:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m., Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday

ELECTIVE/OBSERVATIONAL EXPERIENCE

For two (2) weeks during RAD 475 Practicum VIII, students are provided with the following three (3) options in regards to the scheduling of their practicum assignments, with approval by program faculty, during this time period:

- The opportunity to observe in modalities that are not normally assigned as practicum rotations. These areas include nuclear medicine, radiation therapy, mammography and ultrasound.
- The opportunity to observe at other institutions (hospitals, clinics, etc.) that the program is not affiliated with. "Observe" implies that students may not assist in, or perform, any aspect of patient care during these observational roles. This observational experience provides the students with the opportunity to "network" with other facilities that they are interested in for potential employment opportunities. The opportunity to observe at other institutions is dependent on the facility accepting the student.
- The opportunity for additional rotations in normally assigned modalities that the student feels he/she requires more practicum experience in.