

Advanced Technical Certificate Program in Mammography

One-Semester Certificate Program for ARRT-credentialed technologists who want to become Mammography certified and registered.

Required Prerequisites for Admission

This one-semester program offers radiologic technologists a pathway to expand their knowledge in Mammography while completing an Advanced Technology Certificate program.

The minimum requirements for admission consideration include:

- Minimum overall GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale
- The American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) Certification in Radiography
- Associates degree or higher
- Completion of an online application and essay
- Submission of one professional recommendation form
- Submission of official transcripts(s) from each school attended. Foreign transcripts are not required.

The Admission Review Committee will review all applicants that submit a complete application, including required documents, by the deadline. Upon review, competitive applicants will be invited for an admissions interview.

Final decisions are communicated to applicants via email.



The program fulfills the structured education and clinical requirements of the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) post-primary pathway certification in Mammography.

The Program also meets the required components of training as outlined by the Mammography Quality Standards Act (MQSA).

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Frequently Asked Questions

When do I turn in my admission application for Fall 2023?

The application will be available starting December 1, 2022. You should submit the application, transcripts of each college attended, essay, and one professional recommendation form before the deadline of April 1, 2023. To ensure documents are received before the deadline, it is recommended that you apply months before the deadline.

Can I apply for Spring admissions?

Yes. Students enter the Mammography Advanced Technical Certificate program twice each academic year, in the Fall and in the Spring semesters.

Can I enroll in the Mammography Certificate program part-time?

No, enrollment is offered full-time only. View the courses and details [here](#).

What factors are considered in the [admission process](#)?

Admission to the program is competitive and holistic. This means that an admissions committee will look at all the factors below when admitting a student. Meeting the minimum requirement does not guarantee acceptance.

- (1) A minimum overall GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale
- (2) Online Application
- (3) Essay (the essay prompt will appear on the online admission application)
- (4) One Professional Recommendation Form
- (5) Interview
- (6) Applicants must be certified by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) in Radiography
- (7) Applicants must hold an associate's degree or higher

I am NOT board-certified by ARRT in radiography. Can I still apply to the Mammography Certificate program?

No, since you do not hold prior credentials in Radiography, you should apply for the Diagnostic Imaging Radiography 3-year track program instead.

Do I have to attend a clinical site visit as part of the application process?

No. Clinical site visits are not required for the Mammography Certificate program.

Do I need an associate's degree to enter the Mammography Certificate program?

Yes, you must hold an associate of arts, an associate of science, an associate of applied science, or a higher degree to apply for admission.

When will I receive my admission decision?

Completed applications that meet all minimum admission factors will be contacted for an interview. An admissions decision will be completed in June 2023 for the 2023 Fall Semester Program and in November 2023 for the 2024 Spring Semester Program.

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I already hold a bachelor's degree. Can I apply for this program?

Yes, you can apply. Upon completion of the Mammography Certificate program, you will earn 16 academic semester credit hours that you can apply to future undergraduate course offerings.

Where is the School located?

The School is located at 1515 Holcombe Blvd, Houston, TX 77030 inside MD Anderson's Main Building.

What is a clinical internship?

As part of the learning process, you will complete a guided clinical internship. Clinical internships allow you to apply the knowledge gained from the classroom and labs to real-life medical settings.

What is the duration of the program?

This is a one-semester certificate program. Students are expected to complete four courses in the program including patient care, image production, procedures, and an internship. The completion of this program also includes a 2-day Mammography Comprehensive Review. View the [course descriptions](#) page.

When I complete the program, what will I earn?

You will earn a Certificate of Completion from The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, a total of 16 academic semester credit hours (SCH), ARRT Mammography Registry eligibility through the Post-primary Pathway, and additional 16 continuing education units (CEUs).

What does it mean to hold credentials in Mammography?

Upon completion of the Mammography Certificate program, you will have the opportunity to take the certification examination in Mammography, administered by [The American Registry of Radiologic Technologists](#), the world's largest organization offering credentials in medical imaging. Passing the credentialing exam can result in improved job prospects and higher salaries.

Does the program follow MQSA guidance for training?

Yes, the Advance Technical Certificate Mammography program meets the required components of training as outlined by the Mammography Quality Standards Act (MQSA).

Upon completion of this program, would I be eligible to take the ARRT certification in Mammography?

Yes, upon completion of the Mammography Certificate program, you will be eligible to sit for the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists Mammography Registry through the Postprimary Pathway.