



M.S. in Radiologist Assistant

Have You Considered a Career as a Radiologist Assistant? Prerequisites

The Radiologist Assistant (RA) is an advanced clinical role for an ARRT-certified medical radiographer. The RA enhances patient care by extending the capacity of the radiologist in the diagnostic imaging environment. With radiologist supervision, the radiologist assistant performs patient assessment, patient management, fluoroscopy, and other radiology procedures. The radiologist assistant also makes initial observations of diagnostic images, but does not provide an official interpretation.

- Graduate of an accredited medical radiography (x-ray) program
- ARRT (R) certified, and in good standing
- Current CPR certification (must complete ACLS certification prior to applying for boards)
- Two-years, full time experience (post-medical radiography licensure)
- Course in Statistics (within the past 5 years)
- Course in Research Methods (within the past 5 years)

Master of Science in Radiation Sciences - Major in Radiologist Assistant

The student will receive didactic and clinical mentoring in neonatal, pediatric, adult, and geriatric populations. Courses will be a mix of discussion, projects, case studies and web-based learning. Students are responsible for finding their own clinical site and radiologist mentor. This is an online/blended program. Students need to be on campus for one day in the first Autumn Quarter, the first Winter and Spring quarters, and the final Spring Quarter. The rest of the time, coursework is taken online within Loma Linda University's web-enhanced learning environment.

Deadlines and Start Dates

The application window is open from January 1 to June 1 of each year, and the entire application process is completed online. The program starts once a year, in late September (fall quarter). The program is seven quarters long, which is just shy of two years. Students are required to come to the Loma Linda University campus for a one day program orientation, which is usually during the first week in September.

Entrance

Students can enter the online/blended Radiologist Assistant Program with a Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution. The Bachelor's degree can either be a Bachelor of Administration or a Bachelor of Science. The degree must be posted, and the transcript received, in order for the student to begin coursework in the fall.

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The RA curricula: 47 units year one, 46 units year two = 93 units total (includes required religion units)	Total Units
Year One	
Fall – 13 Units	
RTRA 531 Pharmacology for Radiologist Assistants I	2
RTRA 534 Pathophysiology	2
RTRA 521 Radiology Procedures and Image Evaluation I	3
RTRA 771 Clinical Internship I	2
RTRA 525 Fluoroscopy and Protection	1
RTRA 526 Radiology Reporting	1
400-Level Undergraduate Religion Class	2
Winter – 17 units	
RTRA 532 Pharmacology for Radiologist Assistants II	2
RTRA 541 Patient Assessment I	2
RTRA 522 Radiology Procedures and Image Evaluation II	3
RTRA 772 Clinical Internship II	5
AHCJ 402 Pathology I	4
RTRA 510 Cross Sectional Anatomy I	1
Spring – 17 units	
RTRA 542 Patient Assessment II	2
RTRA 523 Radiology Procedures and Image Evaluation III	3
RTRA 773 Clinical Internship III	6
RTRA 511 Cross Sectional Anatomy II	1
RTRA 546 Topics for the Radiologist Assistant	2
AHCJ 403 Pathology II	3
Year Two	
Summer – 11 units	
RTRA 543 Clinical Management and Education	2
RTRA 524 Radiology Procedures and Image Evaluation IV	3
RTRA 774 Clinical Internship IV	6
Fall – 13 units	
RTRA 775 Clinical Internship V	6
RTRA 591 RA Research Project I	1
500-Level Graduate Religion Class	3
AHCJ 566 Theoretical Foundations of Leadership	3
Winter – 9 units	
RTRA 776 Clinical Internship VI	6
RTRA 588 Comprehensive Review I	1
RTRA 592 RA Research Project II	2
Spring – 13 units	
RTRA 777 Clinical Internship VII	6
RTRA 593 RA Research Project III	2
RTRA 519 Medical Legal	1
RTRA 589 Comprehensive Review II	1
RTRA 518 Radiobiology and Health Physics	2
RTRA 614 Professional Portfolio	1
Total	93

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LLU at a Glance

>> Founded in 1905 >> A Seventh-day Adventist institution integrating health, science, and Christian faith >> Offers over 200 programs in the health sciences >> Houses eight schools: Allied Health Professions, Behavioral Health, Dentistry, Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Public Health, and Religion >> About 4,000 students >> Over 1,300 faculty >> 2,000 professional researchers >> \$46 million dollars in private and public grants generated each year >> Many service learning opportunities

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