## **Radiologic Technology Clinical Information**

#### Dress Code:

Students are expected to purchase their own scrubs to wear during their clinical hours. The colors of the scrubs must be royal blue on the top with black bottoms. They can be any style but must have the SLCC logo embroidered on the front, left side, above the breast pocket. There are scrub stores that imprint the logo for students at an additional cost.

#### Clinical Site locations:

SLCC has 26 clinical locations. They range from the Layton IHC Hospital, north, to Utah Valley Medical Center, south, and Jordan Valley West, west to the Rosenburg, Coolly, Metcalf Clinic in Park City, east. Most of our sites are full semester rotations but some range from three (3) to eight (8) weeks during the semester. For a complete list see the student's clinical handbook.

# Necessary to travel to clinical site:

There are a limited number of student positions at each site therefore students cannot always be assigned to a location that is close to their home. Some sites have limited parking and will require the use of UTA's Trax system. Students should receive a site where they will begin and end the clinical rotations. During the three other semesters, students will rotate to different clinical sites which may require longer driving distances. Once the clinical assignment has been made, there cannot be a change.

## Clinical Immunizations:

It is the responsibility of the radiography student to obtain all the required immunizations and keep them current. Information on which immunizations are required are found in the student's handbook.

#### Clinical Instructor:

Each student will have a clinical instructor (CI) at their assigned clinical site. The CI is an x-ray tech who is available to offer support, teach, schedule, and train the student. The CI oversees the efforts and progress of the student's clinical skills and is a liaison to the academic clinical coordinator with the SLCC Rad Tech program.

#### Clinical Competencies:

Clinical competency is achieved when the radiography student can demonstrate that they are capable of independently performing a specific x-ray exam. There are dozens of clinical competencies that must be passed-off during the five-semester radiography program. SLCC ensures that each student first gains the theoretical knowledge and performs practice and simulation on each examination before attempting to achieve competency.

### Day and Night cohort schedules:

The Radiologic Technology program has a day cohort that runs every year and a night cohort (even numbered years) that runs every other year.

First year students have classes Monday and Wednesday with clinicals Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. Second year students have classes on Tuesday and clinicals Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday (three of the four days). Day program classes are held from 8:00 am-12:00/1:00 pm one to two days/weekly with clinicals 8-4:30 pm three days/week. Day program schedules may vary occasionally (6 am-10 pm) due to factors such as patient census.

Night program classes are held from 2:00/3:00 pm to 7:00/9:00 pm one to two days/weekly with clinicals 2:00/3:00 pm to 10:30/11:30 pm three days weekly. Some weekend clinicals may be required. To ensure that students get surgical and fluoro training, night students will need to be available one-day in the three-day rotation during daytime hours each week over the entire program.

To accommodate as many students as possible and because healthcare does not end on the weekend or evenings, some clinical sites require weekend and evening rotations. This may occasionally require some flexibility with schedules.

#### Labs:

Each student will rotate through three (3) to four (4) labs at the SLCC radiology lab each semester to practice and simulate procedures learned in class. Labs are held on Fridays with four (4) to six (6) students from different sites assigned labs together. These will replace a clinical day.

# Total Clinical hours in program:

Each student will spend eight (8) hours, three (3) days a week at a clinical site totaling 24 hours per week. This starts the first semester and continues every semester thereafter until completion of the program. This equates to about 330 clinical hours each fall and spring semester and 160 hours in the summer, for a total of roughly 1480 hours.

# Sample calendar:

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