

**DeKalb Medical
School of Radiologic Technology
Clinical Education Requirements**

Clinical Education

I. WHERE AND WHEN:

Clinical education is a vital aspect of training for qualified Radiologic Technologists. It is through learning and participation in the clinical setting that the student will master the skills required to perform quality radiographic procedures.

Clinical education is divided into six semesters. As a first year student, clinical rotations begin during the second week of school.

The first 8 weeks of the 1st semester will be a period of orientation for the student. The student hours are 8:00AM-4:00PM Monday thru Friday with no week-ends or 11:00 AM-7:00 PM shifts. From **1st semester until graduation** the student will rotate through the Diagnostic department, Diagnostic Imaging Center (DIC), Computed Tomography (CT), DeKalb Medical at Hillandale, DeKalb Orthopedics and Sports Medicine, DeKalb Medical Imaging at Stonecrest, and DeKalb Medical at Downtown Decatur. The clinical rotation will be from 8:00AM-4:00PM pm on the clinical days. The student will still report to the radiology classroom on class days. Once a schedule has been made and posted, if a student drops out of the program, that shift will remain vacant.

Beginning the **second half of the 1st semester until graduation** the student will begin a clinical rotation on the evening shift (11:00 am to 7:00 pm) one week rotation every 4 weeks. The student has the 11:00 am- 7:00 pm clinical assignment scheduled on his/her clinical days. No more than 3 days out of the week. On class days, the student will report to the classroom shift time of 8:00AM-4:00PM. Once a schedule has been made and posted, if a student drops out of the program, that shift will remain vacant.

Beginning **2nd semester until graduation** the student will have one weekend clinical rotation (8 hour shift) every 5 weeks; **either** Saturday (7:30AM until 3:30PM or 11:00 AM-7:00 PM) **or** Sunday (7:30AM until 3:30PM or 11:00 AM-7:00 PM). When the rotation is on Saturday the student is off on the Monday prior to the weekend rotation. If the rotation is on Sunday the student will be off the following Monday, in order to not exceed the 40-hour week.

CLINICAL ASSIGNMENTS

Each semester the student is given goals and assignments, which are supported by labs and clinical experience. These assignments are structured in a way to allow the student to advance progressively at his/her clinical competency level. See Clinical Notebook.

| CLASS SCHEDULE | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
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| JUNIOR 1 ST SEMESTER SEPT-OCT | CLASS | CLINICAL | CLASS | CLINICAL | CLASS |
| JUNIOR 1 ST SEMESTER NOV-DEC | CLINICAL 12pm-4pm | CLINICAL | CLASS | CLINICAL | CLASS |
| JUNIOR 2 ND SEMESTER JAN-APRIL | CLINICAL 12pm-4pm | CLASS | CLINICAL | CLASS | CLINICAL |
| JUNIOR 3 RD SEMESTER MAY- AUGUST | CLINICAL 12pm-4pm | CLASS | CLINICAL | CLASS | CLINICAL |
| SENIOR 4 TH SEMESTER SEPT-DEC | CLINICAL 8am-12pm | CLASS | CLINICAL | CLASS | CLINICAL |
| SENIOR 5 TH SEMESTER JAN-APRIL | CLINICAL 8am-12pm | CLINICAL | CLASS | CLINICAL | CLASS |
| SENIOR 6 TH SEMESTER MAY- AUGUST | CLINICAL 8am-12pm | CLINICAL | CLASS | CLINICAL | CLASS |
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