

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the Cleveland Clinic Medical Dosimetry Program.

Please view our website, which provides some insight regarding the program and the necessary requirements for entry. Senior radiation therapy students are welcome to apply if you are registry-eligible for the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists' (ARRT) examination in radiation therapy prior to the start of the program. Acceptance and/or continuation in the program are contingent upon successful completion of this examination.

Applications for the class scheduled to start on July 26, 2023 will be accepted until January 31, 2023. Along with the completed and signed application, arrangements should be made to fulfill the requirements for admission, including submitting official transcripts from college(s) and the radiation therapy program. The transcripts should be forwarded directly from the institution. Prerequisite courses must be successfully completed by the start of the program. The most qualified candidates will be scheduled for a personal interview with the Medical Dosimetry Program's Admission Committee. Transfer students are not accepted due to the short length of the program.

Tuition for the program is currently \$10,000.00. A non-refundable tuition deposit of \$500.00 is due upon acceptance into the program. The balance of \$9,500.00 is due prior to June 9, 2023. If a student is dismissed or voluntarily withdraws prior to the end of the probationary period, 50% of the tuition (\$5,000.00) will be refunded. The probationary period extends to the end of the fall quarter. After the probationary period, no refunds will be given. Textbooks are approximately \$750.00 per year; however this amount is subject to change. A scientific calculator and professional liability insurance are also required.

The 2023-2024 class will begin on Wednesday July 26, 2023 and will end on July 19, 2024. The total time off for the entire school year is 25 days, which includes the following 15 scheduled days: Labor Day (9/4/2023), Thanksgiving (11/23 - 11/24/2023), Winter Break (12/18/2023 - 1/1/2024), Memorial Day (5/27/2024), and Independence Day (7/4/2024).

Successful completion of the program is defined as fulfilling each of the following:

- 1. Achievement of a passing grade in all didactic courses.
- 2. Satisfactory performance of all required competency based evaluations as outlined in the Student Handbook.
- 3. Satisfactory completion of all required clinical rotations.
- 4. Make-up all clinical time lost, due to absence in excess of that allowed.

Clinical rotations are held at the Cleveland Clinic main campus, Hillcrest Hospital, Beachwood Family Health Center, Fairview Hospital and Strongsville Family Health Center. During the clinical portion of their training, medical dosimetry students will be rotating through the following areas of the Radiation Oncology Department: Orientation, Dosimetry, Treatment Planning, Quality Assurance, Brachytherapy, and Radiosurgery. The clinical time is divided into four phases, and the evaluation of student's performance is based on the clinical objectives for each phase. During the clinical hours, the student is under the supervision of the clinical preceptors or the program director. He or she will give them their daily clinical assignment.

Clinical grades are based on the clinical evaluation following each rotation and the number of competencies completed during the phase.

Parking is available. Students are responsible for providing their own housing. Health care coverage is required, and students must provide proof of coverage prior to entering the program. Information regarding student services such as guidance and counseling, employment assistance and the appeal mechanism is available in the student handbook that is distributed at the start of the program or by request.

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If you would like additional information regarding the Medical Dosimetry Program, or are interested in visiting the Radiation Oncology Department, please contact Susan Carlton at 216-445-8692.

Sincerely,

Matthew Kolar, M.S. Program Director