

Application Planning Guide for Radiologic Technology Program (0028)

Radiologic Technology Planning Guide for Summer 2024 start:

Admission to the RT program is highly competitive. The program accepts approximately 45 applicants from a pool.

- ✓ RT Applications due by Dec. 1, 2023
- ✓ Selective Admission for Summer (June) start
- ✓ Notification of acceptance into program by mid-March 2024
- ✓ No waiting lists carried over from previous years; application required each year
- ✓ Biology, Algebra and Chemistry from high school or college MUST be completed and on transcript submitted to college by Feb. 1, 2024 (Grade of "C" or better required)
- ✓ Apply online through your Student Center on e-STORM

Please remember that all communication regarding the Radiologic Technology application will be sent to your student.swic.edu email account.

Overview of Requirements & Due Dates:

Applicants must submit the following to the Enrollment Services Office by noted deadlines, unless the application period has been extended.

Radiologic Technology Application due by Dec. 1, 2023.

- ❖ Applications are available and must be submitted between Sept. 1, 2023 and Dec. 1, 2023 for entry into the Summer 2024 semester.
- ❖ Students may access an electronic application using the Student Center (scroll to the bottom) in e-STORM. Paper application is available in the Health Sciences Division.

✓ **Meet with an Academic Advisor** to determine placement. Students must be eligible to enroll in ENG 101 & Math 97.

- ❖ Academic Advising assistance is available via email at advising@swic.edu or call, Belleville Campus 618-235-2700, ext. 5455, Red Bud Campus 618-282-6682, ext. 8114, or Sam Wolf Granite City campus 618-931-0600, ext. 7333.

✓ **Transcripts documenting BIOLOGY, ALGEBRA & CHEMISTRY/PHYSICS completed at high school or college due by Feb. 1, 2024.** Courses must have been completed within 10 years preceding Feb. 1, 2024 with a grade of "C" or better for one semester (if college course) or both semesters (if one year high school course).

- ❖ See Section A for list of accepted courses for Biology, Algebra & Chemistry/Physics.
- ❖ Biology & Chemistry/Physics courses must have a lab component. Lab science courses with separate lab and lecture components must have a grade of 'C' or better in each component.
- ❖ College course grades supersede high school grade when both appear on official transcripts.
- ❖ Most recent grades of specified courses are used to determine qualification and rank.
- ❖ Students completing a prerequisite course from a high school not recognized by the State Board of Education or home-schooled may demonstrate competency of the Biology, Algebra, Chemistry or Physics course by taking a placement test. Questions regarding placement testing can be addressed by contacting the Enrollment Services Office at 618-235-2700, ext. 5455.

✓ **Transcripts for all colleges, universities, or approved/accredited Radiologic program attended due by Feb. 1, 2024.**

- ❖ To have college transcripts reviewed for possible transfer credit, log into [eSTORM](#) and select the Transfer Credit Evaluation link found in dropdown under Academics in your Student Center.

Section A – Prerequisites to Application

It is MANDATORY to have completed all prerequisite courses (BIOLOGY, ALGEBRA, CHEMISTRY/PHYSICS) and on transcripts submitted to college by Feb. 1, 2024.

How POINTS are assigned for prerequisite courses:

- Record the most recent grade(s) for each course. A minimum grade of “C” is required. If course is completed at high school, transcript must indicate a minimum of “C” both semesters. Course grades must be on the transcript by Feb. 1, 2024 deadline.
- Courses must have been completed within 10 years of Feb 1, 2024.
- Two semesters of a state board of education approved high school credit with a lab or one semester college with “C” or better is required (lab science courses with separate lab and lecture components must have a grade of 'C' or better in each component).

Points Key		
If your most recent grades are:		
High School Biol/Alg/Chem/Phys/	College Biol/Alg/Chem/Phys/	Then your points for each area will be:
A/A	A	4.0
A/B or B/A		3.5
B/B or A/C	B	3.0
B/C or C/B		2.5
C/C	C	2.0

Institution <u>Course Taken</u>	Semester/Year <u>Completed</u>	Grade(s) <u>Earned</u>	Points (use key)
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Biology

College courses must = SWIC's 100, 101, 102, **105**, 155, 156, 157, or 158.

_____/4 pt. max

Chemistry/Physics

College courses must = SWIC's CHEM 101, 103, 105 or 106 / PHY 101, 151 or 152.

_____/4 pt. max

Algebra

College course must = SWIC's 94, 95, 97, 107, 111, 112, or 113.

_____/4 pt. max

Total Points Section A: _____/12 pt. max

Suggestions for increasing points earned in Prerequisites Section:

- Complete all prerequisite courses in high school/college by the end of the Fall 2023 semester.
- The higher the grade earned in these prerequisite courses, the more points are generated on the application. If student earns a “C”, consider re-taking the course. Course grades must be reflected on transcript to SWIC by Feb. 1, 2024. No grade lower than a “C” is accepted.
- The most recent grades are utilized, so if the most recent course has a low grade, consider re-taking the course. **See Financial Aid box in section C.**
- If you didn't complete Biology in high school, enroll in college level BIOL 105. If a grade of “B” or better, it will generate points as a prerequisite course AND in the general education section (See Section C) of this application.
- Students have the potential to earn the greatest amount of points from this section of the application.

Section B – ACT/New SAT Score or SWIC GPA Option

Students earn points in this section from their ACT/New SAT score. In lieu of the ACT/New SAT, students may use their **SWIC GPA ONLY** if they have at least 12 of the 17 general education credit hours for the RT program completed and on transcripts sent to SWIC by Feb. 1, 2024. The higher point value from the ACT, New SAT or GPA will be used in the point total for Section B.

How POINTS are assigned on the application to ACT/New SAT or SWIC GPA Option:

Points Key			
If your most recent scores/GPA are:			
ACT Score	New SAT* Score	GPA If 12 credits completed from Section C	Then your points for each area will be:
26-30	1240-1410	≥4.0	4.0
21-25	1060-1230	≥3.5<4.0	3.5
17-20	900-1050	≥3.0<3.5	3.0
15-16	810-890	≥2.5<3.0	2.5
		≥2.0<2.5	2.0

* New SAT are scores from exams taken on/after March 1, 2016. See advisor for points assigned for older scores.

Composite Score Earned	Year Completed	Points (use key)
ACT _____ (must be within 10 years of Feb. 1, 2024).	_____	_____
OR		OR
New SAT _____ (must be within 10 years of Feb.1, 2024).	_____	_____
OR		OR

SWIC GPA Option

(To use the SWIC GPA option you must have 12 credit hours from courses listed in Section C completed, with a GPA of 2.0 or higher. GPAs from other institutions are not utilized; although credit from courses that were transferred and approved through the Enrollment Services Office may apply to the SWIC GPA. See swic.edu/students/services/enrollment-services/registration/transfer-credit/).

Total Points Section B: _____/4 pt. max

How to Calculate SWIC GPAs:

- SWIC GPA is based on courses listed in the chart below. *Cumulative college GPA's are not used.*
- Refer to <http://www.back2college.com/gpa.htm> to use a GPA calculator to assist.

Course	Letter Grade	Points awarded to calculate GPA – 4 points for each A 3 points for each B 2 points for each C 1 point for each D	Credit Hrs (Units)	GPA Calculation Multiply points earned x Cr Hrs (Units) for each course
BIOL 105 or 155&156 or 157&158			x 4	
HRO 100			x 1	
ENG 101			x 3	
PSYC 151			x 3	
COMM 151 or 155			x 3	
Human Relations			x 3	
Total Number of Points				
Number of Cr Hrs Attempted (add credit hours for courses completed)				
Divide Number of Points by Number of Cr Hrs Attempted for GPA				
Points Awarded on Application (see chart above)				

Suggestions for improving points earned in ACT/New SAT or SWIC GPA Section:

- If using the ACT, a minimum score of 15 is required. If using the New SAT, a minimum score of 810 is required.
- Take the ACT/New SAT in the Spring/Summer 2023. If your score is lower than 15 for ACT or 810 for New SAT, you have sufficient time to re-take in the fall 2023 semester.
- Even if you are eligible to use the GPA option, take the ACT/New SAT to assess if the ACT/New SAT score can give you greater points for the application process.

Section C - General Education Coursework

Students are eligible to earn additional points for general education courses completed and on transcripts received by SWIC no later than Feb. 1, 2024. Official transcripts must be received by this deadline.

Suggestions for increasing points earned in General Education Section:

- Although you do not have to complete all the general education courses prior to applying, you will generate more points by completing as many as possible **with a “B” or better**.
- If enrolled in high school, check to see if your high school offers dual credit for any of the general education courses and/or consider dual enrollment by taking a college level course while still enrolled in high school (Dual enrollment does require permission of the HS counselor, parent, and college academic advisor to enroll; contact the SWIC Academic Advisor Department or your HS guidance counselor for the proper paperwork to participate in dual enrollment). Courses must be completed by the end of the fall 2023 semester.
- SWIC offers on-line Winter Intercession courses, which run in a condensed format from Nov. 2023 – Jan. 2024. Some of these general education courses are offered during the Winter Intercession and meet the Feb. 1, 2024 transcript deadline.
- Meet with an Academic Advisor to determine placement no later than March/April 2023 – this will allow time to get development courses in ENG or MATH, if needed, completed in the summer 2023 and some general education courses in the fall 2023 semester. Meeting with an Academic Advisor is also needed to assess readiness for enrollment into ENG 101, all BIOL, PSYC 151, COMM 151/155, and most Human Relations elective courses.

How POINTS are assigned on the application to General Education Coursework section:

1. Record the semester, year and grade for each course you have completed (**the 10-year restriction does not apply**). Please **Note:** Courses with grades of “D” will not meet graduation requirements. If you are currently enrolled in the fall 2023, enter “CE” for “grade” and estimate the credit hours you will earn toward points.

	Credit Hours	Semester <u>Taken</u>	Year <u>Completed</u>	Grade <u>Earned</u>	Check box <u>for “B” or better</u>
BIOL 105 or (BIOL 155 & 156) OR (BIOL 157 & 158)	4	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
HRO 100	1	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
ENG 101	3	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
PSYC 151	3	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
COMM 151 or COMM 155	3	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
Human Relations Elective*	<u>3</u>	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
TOTAL	17				

*See catalog for the list of eligible Human Relation courses.

2. Add the number of credit hours you have completed **with a grade of “B” or better**. Use the chart below to determine your points for Section C.

≥ 5.00 credit hours = 1 point
 ≥ 9.00 credit hours = 2 points
 ≥ 13.00 credit hours = 3 points
 = 17.0 credit hours = 4 points

Total Points Section C: _____/4 pt. max

Financial Aid & Repeating Courses

Although repeating a course could enhance the points earned in a section of the application, course repeatability can adversely affect your financial aid eligibility and you should contact the Financial Aid Office at (618) 235-2700, ext. 5288 to see how repeating this course affects your financial aid eligibility.

Section D

Source of Points to be awarded for attainment of:	Points possible	Degree Received	Select One:
Previous Degree	2	Bachelor's degree	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1	Associate's degree	<input type="checkbox"/>

Total Points Section D: _____ /2 pt. max

Section D - Final Ranking Score: (Total of Sections A + B + C + D)

_____ /22 pts. max (**NOT AN APPLICATION**)

Selection of qualified applicants will be based on a numerical ranking procedure.

Meeting application deadlines is critical to being successful in this process. Read all correspondence from the Enrollment Services Office – they will send notification if something is missing from your file. Please remember that **all communication regarding the Rad Tech application will be sent to your student.swic.edu email account.**

Reminder of deadlines & required supporting documentation:

By Dec. 1, 2023:

- Application on file for summer 2024 admission.

By Feb. 1, 2024:

- High School and College transcripts and Transfer Evaluation Request Form.
- Course Placement Assessment score placing you in ENG 101 & MATH 97.
- ACT/New SAT scores within 10 years of February 1, 2024 or qualify for the SWIC GPA option (See Section B).
- Proof of Residency
 - Out-of-District Students must provide Inter-district Cooperative/Career Agreement paperwork for "indistrict" status in this application process

For suggestions on how to improve your chance of being accepted:

- ❖ Review the RT home page at swic.edu/academics/career-degrees/health-sciences/radiologic-technology/.
- ❖ Complete the RT Application Planning Guide
- ❖ Review the on-line application orientation –
 - Refer to RT home page for more information
- ❖ Call for assistance with completing the application/guide, 618-235-2700, ext.5455.

Note: Radiologic Technology students are required to submit to a background check and drug testing. Refer to college catalog for more information.

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