Clinical Education

The clinical education component at Chippewa Valley Technical College allows the student radiographer to acquire expertise and proficiency in a wide variety of diagnostic radiographic procedures by applying classroom theory and laboratory skills at the affiliate sites. Additionally, students practice professional work habits and appropriate interpersonal relationships with patients and members of the health care team. The Radiography Program is committed to providing all students the opportunity to complete all required competencies mandated by the ARRT for a successful completion to the associate degree program.

Chippewa Valley Technical College Radiography Program maintains affiliate agreements with 28 clinical settings. Of the 28 clinical sites, 20 are utilized as clinical settings with the remaining 8 identified as internship sites, used in the final semester of the program. Students may be required to travel for clinical assignments, and may be required to relocate for internship.

Clinical Affiliations

- Amery Regional Medical Center, Amery
- Chippewa Valley Hospital, Durand, WI
- Chippewa Valley Orthopedics and Sports Medicine, Eau Claire
- Hayward Area Hospital, Hayward, WI
- Hennepin County Medical Center, Minneapolis, MN
- HSHS Sacred Heart Hospital, Eau Claire
- HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital, Chippewa Falls
- Hudson Area Hospital, Hudson, WI
- Lakeview Medical Center, Rice Lake, WI
- Marshfield Clinic Chippewa Falls Center
- Marshfield Clinic Eau Claire Center
- Marshfield Clinic Rice Lake Center
- Mayo Clinic Health System Chippewa Valley Inc., Bloomer, WI
- Mayo Clinic Health System Eau Claire Clinic, Inc.
- Mayo Clinic Health System Eau Claire Hospital, Inc.
- Mayo Clinic Health System Northland, Inc., Barron, WI
- Mayo Clinic Health System Oakridge, Inc., Osseo, WI
- Mayo Clinic Health System Red Cedar Medical Inc., Menomonie
- Memorial Medical Center, Neillsville, WI
- Ministry Howard Young Medical Center, Woodruff, WI
Ministry Our Lady of Victory Hospital, Stanley, WI
Ministry St. Elizabeth’s Medical Center, Wabasha, MN
Ministry St. Michael’s Hospital, Stevens Point, WI
River Falls Area Hospital, River Falls, WI
Rusk County Memorial Hospital, Ladysmith, WI
St. Croix Regional Medical Center, St. Croix Falls, WI
Western Wisconsin Health, Baldwin, WI
Westfield Hospital, New Richmond, WI

**Clinical Hours**

Daytime Hours: 7:00 am – 3:00 pm
8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Evening Rotations: 4:00 pm – 11:00 pm

**Clinical Rotations**

**Eau Claire**
- Chippewa Valley Orthopedics and Sports Medicine, Eau Claire
- HSHS Sacred Heart Hospital, Eau Claire
- Marshfield Clinic, Eau Claire Center
- Mayo Clinic Health System Eau Claire Clinic, Inc
- Mayo Clinic Health System Eau Claire Hospital, Inc

**Chippewa Falls**
- HSHS St. Joseph’s Hospital, Chippewa Falls
- Marshfield Clinic, Chippewa Falls Center

**Menomonie**
- Mayo Clinic Health System Red Cedar Medical Center, Menomonie

**Distance sites may be available based on where students are located.**
- Amery Regional Medical Center, Amery, WI
- Chippewa Valley Hospital, Durand, WI
- Hudson Hospital, Hudson, WI
- Lakeview Medical Center, Rice Lake, WI
- Mayo Clinic Health System Chippewa Valley Bloomer, WI
- Mayo Clinic Health System Northland Barron, WI
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- River Falls Area Hospital, River Falls, WI
- Rusk County Memorial Hospital, Ladysmith, WI
The Clinical Coordinator ensures equality in the clinical education component of the program by placing students in a variety of clinical settings, taking into account the size of the medical facility and patient procedures performed. Each student is scheduled four or five times in the two larger medical facilities, which are CVTC’s major clinical affiliate sites, along with at least one or two rotations in a smaller rural hospital and two rotations within a clinic setting. The majority of the clinic settings perform general diagnostic procedures with one clinic specializing in orthopedic radiography. Students have the opportunity to experience a diverse clinical education at the various medical facilities, and with the patient population, each organization serves.

Table 1.4-2 demonstrates the distribution of clinical hours by semester, hours per week, credits per course, and the configuration of hours students perform the clinical portion of the radiography program per semester.

Table 1.4-2 Structure of Assigned Clinical Hours per Semester.

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<th>Semester</th>
<th>Hours per Week</th>
<th>Total Hours per Week</th>
<th>Credits per Course</th>
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<td>First Semester</td>
<td>8</td>
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<td>One 8-Hour Day + One 4-Hour Day</td>
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<td>Sixth Semester</td>
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<td>Four 8-Hour Days or at the Discretion of the Intern Site</td>
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Total Clinical Hours 1,152

*Source: CVTC Radiography Program Requirement Planning Sheet*