ACCELERATED DUAL-DEGREE BS/MHS IN ADVANCED MEDICAL IMAGING AND LEADERSHIP (3+1)

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The Accelerated Dual-Degree program consists of two distinct degrees: the Bachelor of Science in Radiologic Sciences and the Master of Health Science in Advanced Medical Imaging and Leadership.

The Bachelor of Science in Radiologic Sciences is a three-year accelerated degree. The mission of the Radiologic Sciences program at Quinnipiac University is to develop students’ technical and interpersonal communication skills through a logical, organized and rigorous sequence of didactic, laboratory and clinical experiences. The program offers multiple clinical assignments to provide maximum exposure to diversified radiographic procedures and imaging protocols. In addition, the program prepares graduates competent in the art and science of radiography.

Graduates of the program will meet the needs of the community as efficient and highly qualified professionals. The program prepares students, upon successful completion of all didactic and clinical work, to move on to advanced study in the Advanced Medical Imaging and Leadership program.

The Advanced Medical Imaging and Leadership program is an interprofessional program, serving as a collaboration between the Department of Diagnostic Imaging within the School of Health Sciences and the Department of Healthcare Management and Organization Leadership within the School of Business. The integrated curriculum features core business discipline courses, guided health management courses, and advanced imaging modalities in three distinct pathways: magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), computed tomography (CT), and women's imaging (WI). Graduates of the MHS-AMIL program will be prepared to become advanced imaging professionals possessing the foundational education necessary for future entry-level leadership and managerial roles within their respective radiology health care organizations.

Accelerated Dual-Degree BS/MHS in Advanced Medical Imaging and Leadership Curriculum

The designated Advanced Medical Imaging (3+1) course curriculum is subject to modification as deemed necessary to maintain a high-quality educational experience. The Academic Standing and Progression Committee recommendations regarding student progression, discipline or dismissal will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

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Credits: 51
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Third Year

Fall Semester
- RS 201 Human Anatomy Imaging I 1
- RS 260 Radiographic Physics and Instrumentation 3
- RS 232 Radiographic Procedures III & 232L Laboratory Practicum III 5
- RS 254 Radiologic Clinical Education IV 3
- RS 318 Pathology for Imaging Sciences 3
- RS 414 Research: Analysis and Critique (DMS 414) 3

Credits 18

J-term
- RS 336 Pharmacology for the Radiographer 2

Credits 2

Spring Semester
- RS 202 Human Anatomy Imaging II 1
- RS 215 Radiation Safety and Protection 3
- RS 255 Radiologic Clinical Education 3
- RS 290 Advanced Radiographic Procedures IV & 290L Laboratory Practicum 4
- RS 499 Capstone (DMS 499) 3
- UC Elective 3

Credits 17

Total Credits 120

1 BIO 101 – BIO 102 are required courses for the Radiologic Sciences program and may be used to meet the university core sciences requirement.

2 Initial placement in the English and mathematics courses is determined by placement examination and an evaluation of high school units presented. The minimum mathematics requirement is MA 275 or its equivalent.

3 Associated lab is required for both Chemistry and Physics. CHE 110 or PHY 110 with lab are acceptable to fulfill the requirement. Students may take in the fall or spring of their first year.

4 If taking Chemistry or Physics in the spring, this UC elective should be taken in the fall semester.

Computed Tomography

Course Title Credits

Fourth Year

Summer Semester
- AMI 523 Advanced Sectional Anatomy 3
- AMI 538 Introduction to CT Scanning & 538L and Computed Tomography Lab I 4
- MBA 601 Foundations for Decision Making (MBA QUick Start) 1
- MBA 620 Financial and Managerial Accounting for Decision Making (AC 620) 3
- MBA 625 Organizational Behavior and Leadership for Decision Makers 3

Credits 16

Fall Semester
- AMI 537 Computed Tomography Clinical I 2
- AMI 570 Capstone I 1

Credits 14

Total Credits 44

Magnetic Resonance Imaging

Course Title Credits

Fourth Year

Summer Semester
- AMI 523 Advanced Sectional Anatomy 3
- AMI 515 Introduction to Magnetic Resonance Imaging & 515L and Magnetic Resonance Imaging Principles I - Lab Practicum 4
- MBA 601 Foundations for Decision Making (MBA QUick Start) 1
- MBA 620 Financial and Managerial Accounting for Decision Making (AC 620) 3
- MBA 625 Organizational Behavior and Leadership for Decision Makers 3

Credits 14

Fall Semester
- AMI 516 Advanced MRI Principles and Imaging & 516L and Magnetic Resonance Imaging Principles II - Lab Practicum 4
- AMI 517 Magnetic Resonance Imaging Clinical I 2
- AMI 570 Capstone I 1
- HM 600 Foundations of Health Care Management 3
- HM 621 Quality Management in Health Care Facilities 3
- HM 640 Special Topics 3

Credits 16

Spring Semester
- AMI 518 Magnetic Resonance Imaging Clinical II 2
- AMI 560 Pathology for CT and MRI Technologists 3
- AMI 575 Capstone II 3
- HM 660 Human Resource Management in Health Care Administration 3
- HM 664 Financial Management in Health Care Organizations 3

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Total Credits: 39

Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the Bachelor of Science in Radiologic Sciences component of the AMIL (3+1) program, students will demonstrate the following competencies:

Goal: Students will be clinically competent.
1. Clinically Knowledgeable: Apply skills and knowledge from foundational courses.
2. Procedurally Knowledgeable: Demonstrate growth in procedural knowledge from all RS coursework.

Goal: Students will demonstrate effective communication skills.
1. Effective Communication: Execute interpersonal communication with patients.
2. Oral Proficiency: Demonstrate their ability to present clear and creative ideas related to a case study.

Goal: Students will demonstrate critical thinking.
1. Critical Decision Making: Demonstrate their ability to perform non-routine and routine procedures.
2. Image Analysis: Evaluate images for quality and diagnostic value.

Goal: Students will grow and develop as professionals.
1. Professionalism: Conduct themselves professionally and understand and apply ethical decision making.
2. Professional Research: Create a culminating capstone project.

Upon completion of the Advanced Medical Imaging and Leadership program, students will demonstrate the following competencies:

Goal: Students will be clinically competent.
1. Clinically Knowledgeable: Apply skills and knowledge from foundational courses.
2. Procedurally Knowledgeable: Demonstrate growth in procedural knowledge from all AMIL coursework.

Goal: The students will demonstrate effective communication skills.
1. Effective Communication: Execute interpersonal communication with patients.
2. Oral Proficiency: Demonstrate their ability to present clear and creative ideas in a formal manner.

Goal: Students will demonstrate critical thinking.
1. Critical Decision Making: Demonstrate their ability to navigate typical and atypical clinical scenarios while performing non-routine and routine procedures.
2. Image Analysis: Evaluate images for quality and diagnostic value.

Goal: Students will grow and develop as professionals.
1. Professionalism: Conduct themselves professionally and understand and apply ethical decision making.
2. Professional Research: Create a culminating capstone project.

Student Learning Outcomes for both components of the AMIL (3+1) program are designed to mirror one another. The AMIL (3+1) program represents a natural progression from undergraduate to graduate studies. Students in the graduate component of the program will expand upon the outcomes achieved in the BSRS component and will continue growing as Registered Radiologic Technologists and health care workers.

Quinnipiac University’s Accelerated Dual-Degree Radiologic Science and Advanced Medical Imaging and Leadership (3+1) program provides
prospective students with the opportunity to obtain both bachelor’s and master’s degrees as well as certification in two radiographic modalities within a four-year time frame, a rarity among health science programs. Obtaining a master’s degree in health science studies is a great benefit to students as the curriculum not only advances their knowledge within the radiologic field and specialty, but also delves into health policy, health administration, and prepares these students to take on leadership roles within health care departments.

Quinnipiac University’s Accelerated Dual-Degree BS/MHS in Advanced Medical Imaging and Leadership (3+1) program supports the mission statements of both Quinnipiac University and the School of Health Sciences and their commitment to excellence in education. The mission of the program is to develop each student’s technical, professional and interpersonal communication skills through a logical and organized sequence of didactic, laboratory and clinical experiences. The program offers multiple clinical assignments to provide maximum exposure to advanced imaging modalities and associated protocols. In addition, the program prepares skilled graduates competent in the art and science of radiography, fluoroscopy and interventional procedures. Graduates of the Advanced Medical Imaging & Leadership program meets the needs of the community for highly qualified professionals, and the program prepares students for career entry and advanced study.

The Accelerated Dual-Degree BS in Radiologic Sciences/MHS in Advanced Imaging and Leadership (3+1) program does not have a separate application process. Incoming freshman students admitted to the School of Health Sciences Radiologic Sciences BS who meet the dual-degree program criteria will be invited to enter the program. To be considered for this program, students must be ranked in the top 20 percent of their high school class, and must have a total SAT score (critical reading and math) of 1200 or higher, or an ACT composite score of 25 or higher.

Admission to the university is competitive, and applicants are expected to present a strong college prep program in high school. Prospective freshman are strongly encouraged to file an application as early in the senior year as possible, and arrange to have first-quarter grades sent from their high school counselor as soon as they are available.

Accreditation information for the BSRS component of the AMIL 3+1 program included below per the JRCERT accreditation guidelines.

The Radiologic Sciences program at Quinnipiac University is accredited by:

The Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (jrcert.org (http://www.jrcert.org))
20 N. Wacker Drive, Suite 2850
Chicago, IL 60606-3182

Phone: 312-704-5300

The program received a five-year accreditation in 2014. The re-accreditation process will commence in Spring 2019 with the submission of a self-study report to the JRCERT.

Outcomes and Statistics

2018 Student Outcomes

- ARRT Credentialing Examination first-time pass rate – 92% (23 out of 25)
- Job placement rate – 100% (12 out of 12)
- Program completion – 73% (24 out of 33)

Five-Year Statistics 2014–2018

- Five-year average ARRT Credentialing Examination First-Time Pass Rate – 98% (135 out of 138 students passed on first attempt)
- The five-year job placement rate from May 2014 to May 2018 is 93% (65 of 70 students actively seeking employment obtained jobs). Prior to May 2015, this was based on those seeking employment after earning a certificate and did not include those students continuing at the university to complete their bachelor’s degree as full-time students.
- The ARRT defines “not actively seeking employment” as a graduate who fails to communicate with the program regarding employment status after multiple attempts, or a graduate who is unwilling to seek employment that requires relocation, or a graduate who is unwilling to accept employment due to salary or hours, or a graduate on active military duty or a graduate who is continuing his or her education.
- Due to an update to the ARRT eligibility requirements effective January 2015, students must earn their degree to be board eligible. Upon graduation, students will have met the bachelor’s degree requirements and may actively seek employment. This statistic does not include those students pursuing graduate degrees as full-time students.

Additional program costs

As a clinical education program, the Radiologic Sciences major requires some expenses that go beyond standard university tuition and fees:

1. **Clinical Education Travel** (gas, parking, public transportation) – Students will have clinical rotation experiences that take them off campus. For these rotations, students will typically be traveling two to three times per week. Clinic begins in the sophomore year and students are responsible for providing their own transportation. Costs – variable

2. **Immunizations** – Consistent with the School of Health Sciences policy, all students must have a full battery of immunizations and in some cases titer affirmation of immunity for common diseases including but not limited to: MMR, HepB, varicella, polio, TDAP, TB and influenza. These must be documented prior to the start of clinical experiences during the sophomore year and must be maintained through the undergraduate education. The students are made aware of the requirements during the freshman year to allow ample time to complete. Costs – variable

3. **Background Check** – All students must undergo a background check prior to the start of clinical observations in the sophomore year. This check must be updated yearly. Costs – approximately $60

4. **Drug Screening** – All students must undergo a drug screening prior to the start of clinical observations in the sophomore year. The check must be updated yearly. Costs – approximately $38 per check.

5. **Liability Insurance** – All students have liability insurance coverage through the university, free of charge, while performing required clinical activity. Students may choose to purchase additional coverage at their own expense.
6. **My Record Tracker** – Consistent with School of Health Sciences policy, students must sign up for and maintain an online account with MRT. This program tracks all student health and safety records, provides documentation to prospective clinical sites, and provides notification of impending expiration dates. **Cost – approximately $30 per year**

Please note – All fees are subject to change.