

CURRICULUM STANDARD

Effective Term
Fall 2012
*[2012*03]*

Curriculum Program Title	Medical Dosimetry (Diploma)	Code	D45450
Concentration	(not applicable)		

Curriculum Description

The curriculum is designed to prepare individuals to work in the care of cancer patients as medical dosimetrist. The curriculum provides instruction to enable the participant to become a member of the radiation oncology team.

The curriculum content includes specific coursework to provide classroom and direct clinical experience to train the student in the fundamentals of medical dosimetry practice using current technology, tools and techniques. Students will participate in studies related to the role of the medical dosimetrist and professional ethics, radiation oncology anatomy, treatment planning, dose calculations, clinical oncology, brachytherapy, dosimetry physics, radiation protection, quality assurance and computer applications.

Graduates of the program will be able to obtain employment as a medical dosimetrist and apply to the Medical Dosimetrist Certification Board (MDCB) to sit for a national certification.

Admission criteria include the completion of a diploma in Radiation Therapy.

*Curriculum Requirements**

[for associate degree, diploma, and certificate programs in accordance with 23 NCAC 02E.0204 (3)]

- I. General Education.** Degree programs must contain a minimum of 15 semester hours including at least one course from each of the following areas: humanities/fine arts, social/behavioral sciences, and natural sciences/mathematics. Degree programs must contain a minimum of 6 semester hours of communications. Diploma programs must contain a minimum of 6 semester hours of general education; 3 semester hours must be in communications. General education is optional in certificate programs.

- II. Major Hours.** AAS, diploma, and certificate programs must include courses which offer specific job knowledge and skills. Work experience, including cooperative education, practicums, and internships, may be included in associate in applied science degrees up to a maximum of 8 semester hours of credit; in diploma programs up to a maximum of 4 semester hours of credit; and in certificate programs up to a maximum of 2 semester hours of credit. *(See second page for additional information.)*

- III. Other Required Hours.** A college may include courses to meet graduation or local employer requirements in a certificate, diploma, or associate in applied science program. These curriculum courses shall be selected from the Combined Course Library and must be approved by the System Office prior to implementation. Restricted, unique, or free elective courses may not be included as other required hours.

	AAS	Diploma	Certificate
Minimum General Education Hours	15	6	0
Minimum Major Hours	49	30	12
Other Required Hours	0-7	0-4	0-1
Total Semester Hours Credit (SHC)	64-76	36-48	12-18

*Within the degree program, the institution shall include opportunities for the achievement of competence in reading, writing, oral communication, fundamental mathematical skills, and basic use of computers.

