



AFFILIATION AGREEMENT

This AFFILIATION AGREEMENT (the "Agreement"), is hereby made and entered into this 1st day of January, 2023 (the "Effective Date", by and between **NORTHCENTRAL TECHNICAL COLLEGE** (hereinafter referred to as "NCTC") and the **BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN SYSTEM D/B/A UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN – LA CROSSE** (hereinafter referred to as "UWL").

Witnesseth:

WHEREAS, NCTC and UWL acknowledge an obligation to contribute to education for the benefit of students and for the community needs; and

WHEREAS, the fundamental responsibility of NCTC and UWL in making the association successful is that of maintaining harmonious, cooperative relationships with the understanding of the other's primary obligation to education, and agree on the common purpose of both, namely the provision of the best possible Radiologic Technology education; and

WHEREAS, both parties desire to reach an agreement of their separate and mutual responsibility:

THEREFORE, in conclusion of their mutual interests, the parties, each in independent status from the other, hereby agree:

1. Both NCTC and UWL shall comply with the accreditation policies as established for their academic institution.
2. Both parties shall meet as necessary for discussion of the educational needs of the students.
3. NCTC, through the NCTC Department chair, shall assume responsibility for:

- a. Maintaining an accredited Radiologic Technology program by adhering to the requirements established by the applicable accrediting board for that program.
- b. Providing a Radiologic Technology program (hereinafter the "Program"). This program includes instruction in theory and radiologic technology methods and procedures, the direct supervision of student clinical fieldwork and/or classroom activities, radiologic technology practica and evaluation of such, issuing of grades and approving of graduates from the program for national certification examinations. The courses that the students shall take through NCTC as part of the Program are described in **Exhibit A**.
- c. Planning and coordinating the courses from the Program curriculum that are offered by NCTC on the NCTC campus, online, or at the program clinical sites (See **Exhibit A**). Credit hours for courses shall be in accordance with the policies of UWL.
- d. Providing to UWL course outlines, including lecture topics, objectives, class schedules, books required by students, evaluation results, instructor's names and other such information as required for the courses to be taught by NCTC for the Program.
- e. Providing to UWL information on how students apply to the Program at NCTC.
- f. Communicating with students from UWL concerning the Program.
- g. Communicating with UWL on or by September 1st each year concerning minimum admission standards for students from UWL planning on participating in the Program at NCTC in the fall semester of the following year.
- h. Meeting, as necessary, with UWL's Radiologic Technology Program Director and/or faculty advisor to discuss student's progress in the program.
- i. Sending to UWL a report of grades for courses taken while the student is participating in NCTC's education program. (**Exhibit A**). The report of grades will be sent in a timely manner to allow for the reporting of grades at UWL.
- j. Permitting UWL'S program director and/or faculty advisor access to NCTC facilities.
- k. Terminating a student from the Program when, in the collective judgment of the NCTC Department chair, UWL program director, and combined

NCTC and UWL faculty, the activities of the student are detrimental to that of other students, instructors, clinical or other facilities, clinical patients, or the profession at large.

- I. Providing professional liability insurance coverage for the students, in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$3,000,000 annual aggregate, while the students are enrolled in the Radiologic Technology program at NCTC and acting in a professional capacity.
4. UWL'S students attending the Program at NCTC will be enrolled at NCTC as NCTC students while still a student at UWL and will enroll during the Program for a period of two (2) years, with classes occurring under the Program during the fall, spring and summer semesters each year. The total two (2) year period will encompass the full course work offered as part of NCTC's portion of the Program (**Exhibit A**). The Radiologic Technology Program student must be admissible as a regular student according to policy as stated in the NCTC academic catalogue.
5. The student, while enrolled at NCTC, will be charged directly by NCTC and will pay NCTC for any tuition and fees for courses taken at NCTC as part of the Program. NCTC shall not charge UWL for a student's tuition or fees for courses taken by the Student at NCTC. NCTC agrees to provide UWL an annual breakdown of the anticipated tuition and fees for the NCTC-taught portion of the Program on or before August 1st each year so that UWL may provide such information to UWL Radiologic Technology program students and/or prospective UWL Radiologic Technology program students. Enrollment in the Program shall not impact any financial aid received by student from the home institution (i.e., UWL).
6. The parties acknowledge that UWL Radiologic Technology Program students have historically performed the clinical internship portion of their program through placements at Marshfield Clinic facilities. The parties agree that, under this Agreement, NCTC currently maintains a separate student internship affiliation agreement directly with Marshfield Clinic. As such, NCTC shall help students who are enrolled in the Program under this Agreement to be able to establish a clinical internship at Marshfield Clinic so as to meet the clinical internship requirements of the Program. In the event that NCTC's agreement with Marshfield Clinic terminates, then NCTC shall (1) immediately notify UWL of such agreement termination in writing and (2) make good faith efforts to secure the right for any students who are engaged in a placement at Marshfield Clinic at the time of termination to be able to complete their clinical internship placement at Marshfield Clinic.
7. UWL, through its academic departments, its faculty and staff shall:
 - a. Assume responsibility for overall curriculum planning that leads to a

Bachelor of Science degree in Radiologic Technology.

- b. Meet with the Radiologic Technology program director, as necessary (at least annually), to assure courses meet credit requirements for UWL, to assist with the planning, and to work on other relevant issues to ensure success of the program.
- c. Accept the courses (per the pre-approved courses listed in **Exhibit A**) that students enroll in and take at NCTC for the baccalaureate degree offered at UWL.
- d. Permit access to an area at UWL for the Radiologic Technology program director or UWL program faculty's use in counseling and advising UWL's students.
- e. Recognize the NCTC program as an acceptable training program in Radiologic Technology for UWL's students and include such in UWL'S publication and/or advisement to students about the profession.
- f. Upon request, NCTC will send a report of grades for courses taken while the student is participating in NCTC's portion of the Program to UWL to be recorded at UWL. (**Exhibit A**). The grades will also be recorded at the registrar office at NCTC. Both NCTC and UWL will use the recorded transcripts to serve as the official record for inquiries concerning student performance and participation in the Radiologic Technology program. At the completion of the Program the student will receive their degree from UWL and an Associates Degree in Radiologic Technology from NCTC.
- g. Informing the student that they must provide documentation of current health care coverage.
- h. Informing the student that they must provide NCTC proof of the following requirements:

Varicella Immunity

Receive 2 doses of the Varicella – Zoster vaccine (with verified date) or
Documentation of the Varicella titer

Hepatitis B Vaccination

Proof of immunity using one of the three options below:
1) Verified dates of Hepatitis B series vaccination or
2) Documentation of Hepatitis B titer or
3) Signed declination

MMR

Proof of immunity using one of the two options below:

- 1) Verified date of 2 immunizations after 12 months of age
- or
- 2) Titer results indicating immunity

Tetanus {Including Pertusses}

- Date of last vaccination

Tuberculin PPO Test

A TB series consisting of 2 step tuberculin skin test will be completed during the on campus summer session. The TB PPD testing should not be completed prior to arriving to the on-campus summer session.

If a positive TB series occurs, a chest x-ray will be required. If the student has had the BCG vaccination further testing may be required.

- i. Criminal Background Check: Prospective students need to be aware that they must pass a criminal background check before acceptance into the professional curriculum with an update completed before entrance into the final clinical year. Failure to pass the background check may deny the student entrance into NCTC and completion of the required curriculum for the Program. The background check will only be accepted from an approved company by UWL or by a company approved by the clinical affiliate. The student is responsible for the fee of the criminal background check(s).

8. Any liabilities under this Agreement shall be determined as follows:


- a. Each party shall be responsible for claims, losses, damages, and expenses proximately caused by the negligent or wrongful acts or omissions of its employees acting within the scope of their employment.
- b. For purposes of this Agreement, the parties acknowledge that School is part of the University of Wisconsin System, which is self-insured for purposes of general liability insurance under the State of Wisconsin's Self-Funded Property and Liability Program (i.e., Wis. Stats. §§ 893.82 and 895.46) and is also self-insured via a State of Wisconsin self-insurance program with regard to worker's compensation/unemployment insurance (i.e., WI Statutes Ch. 102). The parties hereby stipulate that the Certificate of Coverage provided by School evidencing "Liability" coverage (i.e., general liability coverage) and worker's compensation coverage pursuant to the laws of the State of Wisconsin shall be deemed to satisfy School's general liability and worker's compensation and unemployment insurance

requirements.

- c. Each party agrees to inform the other in the event either an investigation or claim arises out of patient or client care services performed pursuant to this Agreement, and shall provide reasonable access to information involving such investigation or claim.
9. NCTC and UWL agree that there will be no discrimination based on race, religion, creed, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information, disability, veteran status, marital status, political affiliation, age, or national origin in any of their policies, practices or procedures.
10. COVID-19 Site Acknowledgement. As institutions of higher education, the parties always want to help the students achieve their educational objectives. Challenging situations have been created by the global pandemic related to COVID-19 and both parties want to partner with each other to ensure reasonable steps are taken to provide a safe environment for the students. The parties both individually agree to observe, to the best of their abilities, the COVID-19 guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) as well as applicable federal, state, and local restrictions. In addition, the parties will either provide personal protective equipment (PPE) or provide advisement to the student(s) on obtaining adequate PPE as it pertains to that party's portion of the Program.
11. At any time, with the mutual consent of each party, this agreement may be amended during the period of agreement. Upon 90 days' notice, either party may terminate this agreement by giving written notice to the other party. Students from UWL currently enrolled in the Program will be allowed to complete any ongoing coursework at NCTC under the Program if termination of the Agreement should occur.
12. This Agreement shall enter into effect as of January 1, 2023 for an initial period of one (1) year and then shall continuously auto-renew for additional one (1) year terms unless terminated by either party upon 90 days' written notice.
13. This Agreement shall be governed, interpreted and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Wisconsin.
14. UWL retains its rights to sovereign immunity under Wisconsin state law.

(Signature Page Follows)

NORTHCENTRAL TECHNICAL
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Name: Dr. Darren Ackley
Title: Vice President, Learning
Date: February 3, 2023



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Title: Program Director, Radiography
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Dean's Office Approval

Notice Address of UWL:
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EXHIBIT A**NCTC Radiologic Technology Curriculum and UWL Radiologic Technology Curriculum**

First Semester- Fall 2022 Students earned credit for RAD 306 (3), 350 (2), 351 (1), 353 (2), 355 (5)

NCTC	Hours/Week 16 weeks	NCTC Credits	Total hours per semester	UWL Course name and potential UWL credits #s	UWL Credits- Current listing as of 2022 Fall	UWL Hours Required Per semester
Fall- First Semester						
Radiographic Imaging	2 hrs lecture, 2 hours lab	3	32 hrs lecture, 32 hrs lab	RAD 353 (2-5) & 470 (2-4)	RAD353- 3 RAD 470- 2	RAD 353- 42 RAD 470- 28
Radiographic Procedures I	3 hrs. lecture, 4 hrs. lab	5	48 hrs lecture, 64 hrs. lab	RAD 306 (3-5) & RAD 308 (2-4)	RAD 306- 5 RAD 308- 5 (some next semester)	RAD 306- 70 hours RAD 308- 70 hours (some in Spring)
Introduction to Radiography	2 hrs. lecture, 2 hrs. lab	3	32 hrs. lecture, 32 hrs. lab	RAD 307 (2-5), RAD 350 (2-4), RAD 351 (1-5)	RAD 307- 3, RAD 350- 2, RAD 351- 2	RAD 307- 42 hrs., RAD 350- 28 hrs., RAD 351- 28 hrs.
Radiography Clinical 1	8 hrs. clinical	2	128 hrs.	RAD 355 (2-5)	RAD 355- 3	RAD 355- 42hrs.
Spring- Second Semester	16 weeks					
Advanced Radiographic Imaging	1 hr. lecture, 2 hrs. lab	2	16 hrs. lecture, 32 hrs. lab	RAD 362 (2-5)	RAD 362- 3	RAD 362- 42 hrs.
Radiography Procedures II	3hrs. Lecture, 4 hrs. lab	5	48 hrs. lecture, 64 hrs. lab	RAD 308, some (2- 4), RAD 309 (2-5), RAD 473 (2-5)	RAD 308- 5 credits (some in fall I), RAD 309- 3 credits RAD 473- 2 credits	RAD 308- 70 hrs, RAD 309- 42 hrs., RAD 472- 28 hrs.
Radiography Clinical II	16 hrs. clinical	4	256 hrs.	RAD 364 (1-5)	RAD 364- 3 credits	RAD 364- 42 hrs.

NCTC	Hours/Week	NCTC Credits	Total hours per semester	UWL Course name and potential UWL credits #s	UWL Credits- Current listing as of 2022 Fall	UWL Hours Required Per semester
Summer- Third Semester	12 weeks					
Radiography Clinical 2	24 hrs. clinical	288 hrs.		RAD 372 (1-5)	RAD 372-4 credits (needs to be at least 6 for full time status)	RAD 372-56 hrs.
Fall- Fourth Semester	16 weeks					
Imaging Equipment Operation	3 hrs. lecture	3	64 hrs.	RAD 309, RAD 475 (2-5)	RAD 309 in spring I as well- 3 credits RAD 475-2 credits	RAD 309-42 hrs. RAD 475-28 hrs.
Imaging Modalities	2 hrs. lecture	2	32 hrs.	RAD 477 (1-5), RAD 475 (2-5)	RAD 477-3 credits	RAD 477-42 hrs.
Radiography Clinical 4	24 hrs. clinical	4	364 hrs.	RAD 474 (2-5)	RAD 474-3 credits	RAD 474-42 hrs.
Spring- Fifth Semester	16 weeks					
Radiography Protection and Biology	3 hrs. lecture	3	64 hrs.	RAD 360 (1-5) and RAD 351 (1-5)	RAD 360-2 credits, students already earned 1 credit for RAD 351	RAD 360-42 hrs. and RAD 351- would be 14 hrs.
Radiographic Image Analysis	1 hr. lecture, 2 hrs. lab	2	16 hrs. lecture, 32 hrs. lab	RAD 480 (1-5), RAD 401	RAD 480-2 credits, RAD 401, 2 credits Some 401 below also	RAD 480 & 401- 28 hrs. each
Radiographic Pathology	1 hr. lecture	1	16 hrs.	RAD 478 (2-4), RAD 401	RAD 478-3 credits	RAD 478-42 hrs.
Radiography Clinical 5	21 hrs. clinical	4	336 hrs.	RAD 479 (2-5)	RAD 479-3 credits	RAD 42 hrs.

Summer-Sixth Semester	8 weeks					
ARRT Certification Seminar	8 hrs.	2	64 hrs.	RAD 485 (1-5)	RAD 485-2 credits	RAD 485-28 hrs.
Radiography Clinical 6	32 hrs. clinical	1	256 hrs.	RAD 486 (2-5)	RAD 486-4 credits	RAD 486-56 hrs.

Components of RT 401 (2-5) are taken throughout the program