



2027 Radiologic Technology Application Instructions

1. Enrollment for admission to AWC must be completed if:
 - a. You are a new student at Arizona Western College or
 - b. You are a former AWC student and have not taken classes in the past 12 months.

Note: this is a separate enrollment process from the radiology technology application.

2. Click on the “Radiologic Technology Application” link on the radiology program’s website to access the online radiology application.
 - a. **This link will be active January 4, 2027 – February 25, 2027.**
 - b. **The deadline to submit your completed application is midnight February 25, 2027.**
 - c. You will need to use your AWC email address and login credentials to access the radiology application.
 - d. All requested documents must be uploaded prior to submitting the application.
 - i. All documents must be in PDF format unless otherwise stated.
 - ii. Here is a list of the documents that you will need to upload.
 1. Next Generation Reading exam results.
 - a. Scores can be obtained from your self-service account or from Testing Services located in the 3C building.
 2. Unofficial AWC transcripts obtained from the Admission and Registration Office located in the 3C building.
 - a. **Printouts from self-service will not be accepted.**
 - b. AWC Transfer Evaluation, if you had pre-requisite courses transferred to AWC.
 - i. If pre-requisite course were not completed at AWC, upload unofficial transcripts from the college(s).
 - c. Academic Renewal documentation, if applicable.
 3. Copy of a valid Arizona Fingerprint Clearance Card
 4. Copy of BLS – CPR certification by the American Heart Association.
 5. Application essay – see instructions on the next page.
 6. Resume
 7. ATI TEAS exam results for the Allied Health Exam NOT the Nursing Exam
 - a. The AWC Radiology Program will only accept exam results taken during the current application period (January 4, 2027 – February 25, 2027).
 - b. You can download a PDF copy of your results from your ATI account.

Additional information can be found in the Prospective Student Information document located under the Program Documents on the Radiology Program’s website.

Application Essay Instructions & Guidelines

As a part of your application to the Radiologic Technology Program, you are required to submit a formal written essay. The essay is a heavily weighted component of your overall applicant ranking score (worth up to 6.0-points toward your total admissions ranking).

All submissions undergo a standardized, blinded review by radiology faculty using a 4-category evaluation rubric: Field Understanding, Resilience & Accountability, Program Readiness & Feasibility, and Communication & Professionalism.

1. Formatting & Submission Requirements

To ensure fair and impartial evaluation, all applicants must adhere strictly to the following parameters. Failure to follow formatting and anonymity rules will result in score deductions or disqualification.

- Word Count: 500 – 750 words (maximum 2 pages).
- Font & Spacing: 12-point standard font (Times New Roman, Arial, or Calibri), double spaced, with 1-inch margins on all sides.
- File Format: PDF format only (.pdf). Documents submitted as Word docs, image files, or shared cloud links will not be accepted.
- File Naming Convention: Name your file using only your AWC Student ID: Student ID_Essay.pdf (e.g., 01234576_Essay.pdf).
- Blind Review Requirements (Strict Anonymity):
 - Include only your AWC Student ID number in the top-right header of each page.
 - DO NOT include your name, contact information, social media handles, or references to specific high schools or previous institutions in the header or body text.
- Submission: Upload directly to the online application portal by the application deadline date. Late submissions are not accepted.

2. Academic Integrity & AI Policy

Your essay must represent your own authentic, original work.

- The use of generative Artificial Intelligence (AI) writing tools (e.g., ChatGPT, Claude, Gemini, AI paraphrase bots) or third-party essay writing services is strictly prohibited.
- All submissions are processed through academic plagiarism and AI-detection screening software.
- Any essay flagged for uncredited content, AI generation, or plagiarism will receive a score of 0.0 and will result in immediate disqualification from the current application cycle.

3. Tips for a Competitive Essay

- Be Specific: Move beyond general statements like “I’ve always wanted to help people.” Share concrete examples, insights from shadowing/interviews with radiographers, or relevant work/volunteer experience.
- Address All Parts of the Prompt: Ensure you answer every question embedded within the prompt.

- **Proofread Carefully:** Points are awarded for organization, clarity, tone, and correct grammar/mechanics. Have a trusted advisor or writing center review your essay for flow and syntax prior to submission.

4. Evaluation Overview (Scoring Summary)

Your essay will be evaluated by faculty reviewers across four equal categories (scored on a 20-point rubric and converted to a 6.0-point ranking score):

1. **Field Understanding (25%):** Depth of insight into the radiographer's clinical role, safety culture, and demands.
2. **Resilience & Accountability (25%)** Evidence of personal ownership, adaptability, and emotional maturity under stress.
3. **Program Readiness (25%):** A clear, feasible plan to balance the rigorous 30-40 hour weekly academic/clinical schedule.
4. **Communication & Formatting (25%):** Strict adherence to word count, anonymity rules, formatting, grammar, and clarity.

Essay Prompt

Please submit an essay addressing the following three areas:

1. **Career Understanding:** What specific experiences or research led you to choose radiography over other healthcare fields, and how have you prepared for the physical, emotional, and safety demands of direct patient care?
2. **Resilience & Growth:** Describe a significant academic, professional, or personal setback or constructive criticism you received. What concrete steps did you take to adapt, and what did you learn about your ability to handle stress?
3. **Program Feasibility:** Radiologic technology education requires 30-40 hours per week across classes, labs, and clinical shifts. Detail your concrete plan and support system to balance these demands with your personal and financial obligations.