

WORK INSPIRATION – Radiography and Radiotherapy

Radiography and Radiotherapy are 2 different careers, and you need to ensure you know the key differences before you apply for a university or college course. Basically, diagnostic radiography is about imaging patients to help with diagnosing them and radiotherapy is about treating patients who have cancer.

General Careers Resources/Information

- The Health Careers NHS website has many careers that you can browse through, but if you interested in these fields, look at these links:
 - Becoming a <u>Diagnostic Radiographer</u>
 - Becoming a <u>Therapeutic Radiographer</u>
- National Careers Service has information for students interested in these careers such as:
 - Career as a Radiographer
 - Career as a Radiography Assistant
- The College of Radiographers website has a dedicated careers section:
 - Radiography <u>careers introduction</u>
 - Radiographers <u>do all this</u> (and more)
 - Radiography <u>career case studies</u>

- Meet some radiographers Stephanie is a therapeutic radiographer and David is a diagnostic radiographer
- Meet student radiographers from London South Bank University studying to become diagnostic and therapeutic radiographers.
 This film gives a flavour of what it's like to study radiography and help you decide if it's the right career
- **BBC Bitesize** spotlight <u>'How to become a therapeutic radiographer'</u>
- The Wow Show career guide <u>`Want to be a</u> therapeutic radiographer' video
- If you are unsure whether you want to study Diagnostic Radiography or Therapeutic Radiography (Radiotherapy). The University of Hertfordshire explains the differences between the two careers in this short video

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- icould uses personal stories to inform students about career choices. Explore the <u>section on</u> how to become a radiographer (don't miss the 3 career videos at the bottom of the page)
- Find out what it has been like working in
 Diagnostic Radiography during the coronavirus outbreak from the Radiography Department at
 University Hospital Birmingham
- Success at School.org gives you an insight into a career as a radiographer, if you not want to become a doctor or nurse – but like helping others

Northern Ireland Focus

- Meet <u>Jordan Sproule</u> a Diagnostic Radiographer in the Royal Victoria Hospital, **Belfast Health** and Social Care Trust
- Meet <u>Mark Beattie</u>, Radiology Practice Educator who works in the **South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust**
- An insightful <u>careers presentation</u> on Diagnostic Radiography from the **Southern Health and Social Care Trust** to support students considering career options and inform those making university degree choices
- Within the **Department of Health NI** the term "allied health professions" (AHPs) refers to 12 professional groups – <u>explore</u> the list of which radiography is one
- Find out all about a patients Radiotherapy journey in this <u>Friends of the Cancer Centre</u> video
- Also a group of <u>Sonographers</u> who work in the Belfast Health and Social Care Trust – explain their training and career opportunities.

University Related

- UCAS explore their <u>section</u> on **Diagnostic** Radiographer degree
- UCAS explore their <u>section</u> on Therapeutic Radiographer degree
- The UniGuide <u>find a course</u> in Diagnostic
 Radiography
- The UniGuide <u>find a course</u> in Therapeutic Radiography
- Complete University Guide guide to studying Diagnostic Radiography
- Complete University Guide guide to studying Therapeutic Radiography
- What Uni? have <u>a blog</u> from July 2021 on Radiography degrees
- Ulster University offer a degree in Diagnostic Radiography & Imaging. The website offers a great <u>overview of their course and a video</u> of a 'virtual open day presentation'
- Trinity College Dublin details of their <u>Radiation Therapy</u> degree
- University College Dublin details of their <u>Radiography</u> degree
- Explore the UCAS subject guide <u>Radiography</u> and <u>Medical Technology</u>

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