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CATAWBA VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Dear Prospective Student,

Thank you for your interest in Catawba Valley Community College’s Limited Practice Radiography Program. All below MAR requirements must be met prior to the deadline of **May 31, 2026 at 11:59 pm EST**.

- [Apply Now](#) to CVCC and select Limited Practice Radiography as you intended major. Once your application is processed, you will receive your CVCC ID and student e-mail. All school related communications will go to your CVCC email.
- Attend the mandatory Limited Practice Radiography Information Session. Refer to the [Radiography webpage](#) for a listing of sessions. (Limited Practice Radiography and Radiography Information Sessions are held at the same time)
- Register and take the [ATI TEAS Exam](#)
- [Submit Official, Sealed Transcripts](#): High School/High School Equivalency Transcript/ College Transcripts. If you complete additional coursework after submitting an initial transcript, updated transcripts must be received prior to the deadline to ensure transfer credit is considered.
- Complete all required general education courses listed in the table below with a minimum grade of “C” or higher.
- Submit the completed [MAR checklist](#) on-line by May 31, 2026.

Required General Education	Description	Grade	Points
GPA 2.8 Minimum Unweighted high school GPA of 2.80 or higher. Applicants must have a 2.80 or higher on all program required courses.	Cumulative, unweighted HS GPA or Highest average GPA from secondary institutions with a minimum of 6 credits		
ATI TEAS Score	TEAS Score X 2	X2	
BIO 168: Anatomy & Physiology I (C or better 4 credit hours)	A = 600 B = 500 C = 400		
ENG 111: Writing and Inquiry (C or better 3 credit hours)	A = 100 B = 75 C = 50		
MAT 143 – Quantitative Literacy (C or better 3 credit hours) OR MAT 152 – Statistical Methods I (C or better 3 credit hours) OR MAT 171 – Precalculus (C or better 3 credit hours)	A = 300 B = 200 C = 100		
The following coursework is not required for admission to the Limited Radiography Program; however, they are required for admission to the 2-year Associate Radiography Program. The below will receive points used to determine competitive selection ranking.			
BIO 169: Anatomy & Physiology II (C or better 4 credit hours)	A = 600 B = 500 C = 400		
ENG 112: Writing/Research in the Disciplines (C or better 3 credit hours) OR ENG 113: Literature Based Research (C or better 3 credit hours) OR ENG 114: Professional Research and Reporting (C or better 3 credit hours)	A = 100 B = 75 C = 50		
Humanities/Fine Arts Elective (C or better 3 credit hours)	A = 100 B = 75 C = 50		
PSY 150: General Psychology (C or better 3 credit hours)	A = 100 B = 75 C = 50		
Total Points			



This packet explains the steps to apply to CVCC and be considered for competitive admission to the Limited Practice Radiography Program. While the college follows an open-door admission policy, Limited Practice Radiography applicants must also meet additional Minimum Admission Requirements (MAR). Re-admission applicants must meet current admission criteria.

The CVCC Limited Practice Radiography Program admits a limited number of students through a competitive selection process. To be considered, applicants must complete the MAR checklist by May 31, 2026 by 11:59pm. The required general education table on the first page will be used to evaluate and select the best-qualified applicants from those who completed all Minimum Admission Requirements (MAR) by the deadline. Those applicants receiving the highest number of points will be admitted to the program until the class is filled. The number of students accepted each year may vary depending on clinical space.

Being accepted to CVCC does not mean you are accepted into the Limited Practice Radiography Program. Admission to the Limited Practice Radiography Program is a separate, competitive process. Requirements may change at any time without notice, so it's important to follow the instructions in this packet carefully and submit all required materials by the deadline. The CVCC team is here to support, we welcome your questions.

ATI Scores

Official test scores sent electronically by ATI must be received by the May 31st deadline to be considered. The highest score within three years will be used (May 31, 2023 to May 31, 2026).

There is no minimum score required for the TEAS; applicants are awarded points in the competitive admission process according to the applicant's TEAS score. There is no limit placed on the number of times an applicant can take the TEAS exam. Applicants may test only once per day. An ATI TEAS Study Guide is available for purchase in the CVCC Campus Store or may be purchased online at [ATI Testing](#).

*Questions about the **Limited Practice Radiography Program** should be directed to the **Department Head of Allied Health, Scott Vandevander***

Phone: (828) 327-7000, ext. 4075

E-mail: svandevander@cvcc.edu

General questions** about the college or application process should be directed to **Enrollment Managers

Phone: (828) 327-7000 ext. 4216

E-mail: healthcare@cvcc.edu



Student Responsibility & Notification of Acceptance:

It is the responsibility of each applicant to regularly monitor their CVCC student account and email through the application process. This includes checking for updates, missing documents, and important communications related to admissions. Missing email updates may affect your application status. Applicants will be notified of their admission status, via their CVCC e-mail, **by July 12, 2026**. Applicants not initially accepted may be placed on an alternate list and will be admitted in ranked order as space becomes available. Students may apply to only one healthcare program at a time. Should acceptance to the program be denied, the student may apply to another healthcare program whose application deadline has not yet occurred.

What if I am not admitted to the program?

Applicants not accepted will need to re-apply by completing the MAR Checklist for the year of reapplication. Students are responsible for following the guidelines for reapplication. Students are required to submit a new MAR Checklist each year to apply.

If I am accepted, what am I required to do before the first day of class?

Accepted applicants must attend a mandatory Orientation Session with the Program Director and Faculty, at which time the student will be provided with information concerning other program requirements. Students not attending the Session and/or being unable to meet any additional requirements listed above will be unable to enter the program.

What is the class schedule/length for the Limited Practice Radiography program?

The program begins in the Fall semester. Limited Practice Radiography classes and clinical rotations are held during the day, with some evening clinical assignments. Students will begin their studies in the classroom and the laboratory and will participate in clinical experiences in hospitals and/or other medical facilities. The Limited Practice Radiography program consists of three semesters and takes one year of full-time study to complete. Students will be required to complete clinical rotations, which may require them to travel as much as one hour from campus. Graduates of the program are eligible to apply to take the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists LXMO national examination for certification and registration as limited practice radiographers.

Physical and Emotional Health:

Students will be required to complete a medical form validating satisfactory physical and emotional health and current immunization status. Clinical agencies determine clinical requirements including immunizations. These requirements may change during the program. Students are required to remain compliant with all requirements during their enrollment in the program.

CPR Certification:

Basic Life Support (BLS) Provider certification by the American Heart Association must be maintained as current for the duration of the program.

Background Check & Drug Screen:

Carefully read the information below regarding background checks, drug testing, and the result of a negative background check. Applicants must use CastleBranch, a background screening and compliance management company, for background check/drug screenings.

- Clinical facilities will require students to undergo criminal background checks and drug testing.
- The student will be required to pay fees associated with these screenings.
- Clinical facilities may refuse access to clinical experiences based upon results of a criminal background check, drug screening or immunization/vaccination status.
- If any clinical facility refuses to allow a student access to clinical experience, the student will be unable to continue in the program.
- The American Registry of Radiologic Technologists requires disclosure of any conviction, felony, or misdemeanor on the registry application. At the sole discretion of the Registry, convictions may disqualify the student from the registry examination.
- Applicants with a felony or misdemeanor conviction should file a pre-application with the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists to determine registry eligibility prior to enrolling in the program.

Do I need a computer, and will I receive a CVCC email account?

Yes, access to a computer is required for this program. Once the CVCC application has been activated, students are assigned to a CVCC email address and MyCVCC Portal account. Communication between students, faculty and any other college personnel will be by CVCC email, so students must frequently check their CVCC email accounts for admission status updates.

The following technology resources are recommended for successful completion of this program:

A laptop computer with:

- Windows 10 or later with at least 4GB of RAM (6GB or more preferred) and at least 3GB Hard Drive capacity (more preferred)
- Web Camera and Microphone
- Installation of Microsoft Office Suite & Teams (provided by CVCC)
- Installation of the free Google Chrome, Mozilla Firefox, or newest Microsoft Edge browser (Chrome recommended)
- Reliable Internet Access and Printer Access
- Cell phones are not a substitute for laptops; they cannot be used to complete assignments for this program



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How do I apply for Financial Aid?

Applicants are encouraged to complete the FAFSA at www.FAFSA.gov. For assistance, contact CVCC's [Financial Aid](mailto:financial_aid@cvcc.edu) at financial_aid@cvcc.edu or 828-327-7000, ext. 4860.

How much does the program cost?

College tuition is set by the North Carolina State Legislature and is subject to change. Students are required to purchase a variety of books, instruments, clinic uniforms, malpractice insurance, accident insurance, and other fees as set by the College. The approximate cost for the program is \$10,700. (This figure is based upon current in-state tuition rates and reflects an approximate cost only).

Estimated Program cost 1st Year	
Uniforms (2 sets)	\$200.00 approx.
Black Leather Shoes	\$75.00
Radiographic Markers	\$25.00
Radiation Monitoring Device	\$60.00/semester
ASRT Membership	\$30.00
NCSRT Membership	\$30.00
CastleBranch (Immunization/Certification tracker, criminal background check, drug test)	\$140.00
Professional Liability Insurance	\$35.00/year
Physical exam, Immunizations, TB test	\$400.00
ARRT Certification Exam	\$225.00
Ongoing Expenses	
Transportation	
Books and Supplies	
Tuition	
Maintaining immunizations/vaccines/CastleBranch requirements	

Please Note: This does not include CVCC College tuition, fees, and graduation costs. These cost estimates are in addition to the costs that any student attending CVCC will incur each semester, such as tuition, activity fees, accident insurance, books, and class supplies such as pens, paper, etc. Students applying for graduation will pay graduation fees. Estimates for these costs may be found in the [CVCC Catalog](#).

LIMITED PRACTICE RADIOGRAPHY PROGRAM - TECHNICAL STANDARDS

Limited Practice Radiography is a practice discipline with cognitive, sensory, affective, and psychomotor performance requirements. The following activities are examples of the kind of activities which a student in the Limited Practice Radiography Program will be required to perform in order to successfully complete the program.

CRITICAL THINKING	Critical thinking ability sufficient for clinical judgment.	Make judgments concerning modification of radiographic procedures and/or technical factors to accommodate patient age and/or condition.
INTERPERSONAL SKILLS	Interpersonal abilities to interact with individuals, families, and groups from a variety of social, emotional, cultural, and intellectual backgrounds.	The student shall establish rapport with clients/patients and health care team members.
COMMUNICATION SKILLS	Communication abilities sufficient for interaction with others in verbal and written form.	Explain procedures, document and interpret technical actions and patient/client responses.
MOBILITY	Physical abilities sufficient to move from room to room, maneuver in small spaces, lift, move, and push heavy patients and equipment.	Move and position mobile x-ray equipment in small, crowded patient rooms, surgery, and/or critical care units.
MOTOR SKILLS	Gross and fine motor abilities sufficient to provide safe and effective radiographic practice.	Calibrate and use equipment, position patients/clients.
HEARING	Auditory ability sufficient to monitor and assess patient health needs.	Hear alarms, emergency signals, auscultatory sounds, and cries for help.
VISUAL	Visual ability sufficient for observation and assessment necessary for patient care.	Observe patient/client responses, assess patient.
TACTILE	Tactile ability sufficient for physical assessment and the handling of small objects.	Operate locks and controls on radiographic equipment.
WEIGHT BEARING	Ability to lift and manipulate/move 45-50 pounds, weekly and sometimes daily.	Position patient/client, move equipment.
COGNITIVE ABILITIES	Cognitive ability to be oriented to time, place and person and organize responsibilities and make decisions.	Determine sequence of radiographic projections to allow for maximum patient comfort and minimum patient movement when multiple radiographic examinations are ordered on the same patient.
OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURES	Exposure to communicable diseases and/or body fluids, toxic substances, medicinal preparations, and latex. Students shall use appropriate precautions at all times.	The student may be assigned a client/patient with a communicable disease.

Please note: Examples are not all inclusive.

If you have a disability and need accommodation, please contact the Counselor for Students with Disabilities and Special Programs at least 72 hours in advance at (828) 327-7000, ext. 4222 or [Accommodations](#)