UNLV RADIOGRAPHY PROGRAM

COURSE NUMBER RAD 350

COURSE TITLE PHYSICS OF X-RAY PRODUCTION

PREREQUISITE MUST BE TAKEN CONCURRENTLY WITH RAD 351

CLOCK HOURS 45

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

Discussion of x-ray machines, transformers, rectifiers, circuits and their operation. Theory of x-ray production.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

- 1. Explain how an electromagnetic force is produced.
- 2. Properly employ Ohm's law.
- 3. Draw and interpret a diagram of a simple electrical circuit.
- 4. Determine the effect of voltage, resistance and current in series and parallel circuits.
- 5. Identify the various types of transformers in an x-ray circuit and explain their function.
- 6. Explain the various types of rectification and its function in the x-ray circuit.
- 7. Explain the various types of exposure timers and their relationship in the production of x-rays.
- 8. Describe how x-rays are produced.
- 9. Identify the safety practices that should be adhered to when operating an x-ray unit.
- 10. Given a simple diagram of an x-ray unit, identify the components, explain their function and discuss how they perform their function.
- 11. Identify accessory equipment that may be added to an x-ray circuit/unit.
- 12. Summarize computer applications in medical imaging.
- 13. Discuss the layout and planning for computerized imaging.

GRADING BREAKDOWN:

A=94-100% A-=89-93% B+=83-88% B= 80-82% B-=76-79%

C+=72-75% C=70-71% C-=68-69% D+=66-67% D=64-65

D-=62-63 F-0-61%

REQUIRED TEXT:

Bushong, Stewart C., Radiologic Science for Technologists, 10th Edition, Elsivier Mosby

OUTLINE OF INSTRUCTION:

- 1. Radiologic physics; x-ray circuitry and production; math for radiography.
- 2. The x-ray beam; its production and protection from.
- 3. Radiologic timers, electrodynamics, electrical symbols, resistance, Ohm's Law, multitestors, transformers, heel effect, kVp, mA, mAs, tomography, digital imaging, darkroom layout and chemicals.

PROCEDURES FOR INDIVIDUAL DIFFERENCES:

Students with exceptional interest and/or ability will have every opportunity for in-depth study of area(s) of interest to them.

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