Radiology

Program Strengths and Accomplishments
The Radiology Technology and Diagnostic Medical Sonography Programs have been re-accredited by their respective accrediting associations. The departments continue to schedule classes to accommodate student needs, whereby the scheduling of Friday and Saturday classes provide students with access to clinical training during the week. Even though enrollment has taken a slight dip, student success and retention rates are excellent. Student survey responses indicate a high level of satisfaction with the programs. The departments have an excellent relationship with professionals in the industry and with staff who also serve on the Advisory Committees and provide input for the direction the programs need to take to prepare students for employment.

Other Issues Facing the Department
The job market for radiological technology and medical sonography will continue to be strong over the next several years. The demand in the job market creates a shortage of professionals’ interested and willing to work as adjunct faculty. This dilemma faces the health care industry in general. The department is encouraged to continue their proactive way of scheduling courses to meet student needs but also the ability to attract part-time faculty to teach the courses. Requests for new/replacement of equipment should be made through the annual One Time Budget Request Process. Even though resources are limited, this year the department was allocated approximately $300K through the campus process to purchase and install new equipment for the program. The faculty is encouraged to continue their participation in the process of developing Student Learning Outcomes and Assessment.

Goals/Action Plans for the Next Three Years
- Replace the existing R/F X-ray machine with state-of-the-art digital and computerized technology
- Maintain re-accreditation standards of the Joint Review Committee on Education for Radiologic Technology
- Maintain re-accreditation standards of the Joint Review Committee on Diagnostic Medical Sonography
- Maintain the State Dept. of Health Services standards for an approved Diagnostic Radiologic Technology School and Fluoroscopy Permit School
- Redesign and expand the existing R/F X-ray room in HS 309 to accommodate a digital and computerized R/F X-ray machine