

If you are applying for a place on our BSc. (Hons) Diagnostic Radiography and Imaging programme we ask that you undertake a visit to a clinical department where you will have the opportunity to work shadow the radiographers.

Purpose Of Your Work Experience/Clinical Visit

We hope that your work experience is rewarding and that it will help you to decide whether radiography is the right career choice for you. All applicants must show evidence, in their UCAS personal statement and in any subsequent interviews, of an understanding of the scope of clinical practice and the work of a radiographer. Most universities specify that this should be based on a minimum of one day observational experience in a diagnostic imaging department.

Organising Your Work Experience/Clinical Visit

To organise your visit, ring your local department and ask to speak to the Superintendent Radiographer who should be able to assist in arranging the visit. A list of our affiliated hospitals are available at the end of this guidance sheet, however, you may contact any hospital which is convenient to you.

On The Day Of Your Visit

On the day of your visit to the hospital please take some form of photo ID with you. In addition, you may like to take some money to buy a drink or lunch as you should get a break during the day. Hospitals and clinics tend to be warm, therefore, it is a good idea to wear clothing in layers that can be taken off if you feel hot. You will need to dress in a smart casual manner; no jeans or trainers as these are inappropriate for the environment. However, as you will be on your feet all day you should wear comfortable shoes. If you have long hair, this should be neatly tied back and jewellery should be kept to a minimum in order to support infection control policies.

Expectations/Professionalism

During your visit a member of staff will supervise you at all times and your role is purely to observe the procedures. Please remember that the patients you meet are undergoing clinical examinations and you should be respectful of their needs and their dignity, particularly when patients are in a state of undress. During the course of your work experience, you may see, hear or have access to areas of a confidential nature. All information concerning patients and staff must be treated as **STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL** at all times. You must comply with these regulations. Imaging departments follow strict procedures therefore it is important that you listen carefully to the staff member looking after you as this will ensure your health and safety.

Documenting Your Work Experience/ Clinical Visit

Two downloadable documents are available on our website to assist you in making the most of your clinical experience. These forms have been designed in conjunction with admissions tutors and are acceptable to all UK universities:

The '**Clinical Visit Report**' is to be used by the clinical staff at the hospital to confirm your attendance and make any comments they might wish to communicate to the admissions tutors of the universities to which you are applying. This form can either be sent directly from the hospital to the university (our contact details are at the bottom of the form) or can be returned to you for copying and sending to a range of universities.

The '**Clinical Visit Reflection**' is for you to complete to make the most of your visit by clarifying your thoughts on your observational experience. If you do make the effort to use this form correctly it will help you in completing your personal statement for the UCAS application and in preparing for any interviews that you might subsequently be offered.

NHS Hospital Trusts Affiliated to BSc (Hons) Diagnostic Radiography at the University of Hertfordshire

<i>East of England</i>	<i>North Central and East London</i>	<i>East Midlands & Thames Valley</i>
<p>East and North Hertfordshire NHS Trust Lister Hospital Queen Elizabeth II Hospital Hertford County Hospital www.enherts-tr.nhs.uk</p> <p>London North West University Health Care Central Middlesex Hospital Northwick Park Hospital and St. Mark's Hospital Ealing Hospital https://www.lnwh.nhs.uk</p> <p>Bedford Hospital NHS Trust Bedford Hospital www.bedfordhospital.nhs.uk</p> <p>Luton and Dunstable University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust Luton and Dunstable Hospital www.ldh.nhs.uk</p> <p>West Hertfordshire Hospitals NHS Trust Watford General Hospital Hemel Hempstead Hospital St Albans City Hospital www.westhertshospitals.nhs.uk</p> <p>North West Anglia NHS Foundation Trust Hinchingbrooke Hospital www.hinchingbrooke.nhs.uk</p> <p>The Princess Alexandra Hospital NHS Trust Princess Alexandra Hospital Herts and Essex Hospital St Margaret's Hospital www.pah.nhs.uk</p>	<p>Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust Barnet Hospital Chase Farm Hospital Edgware Community Hospital Cheshunt Community Hospital https://www.royalfree.nhs.uk</p> <p>Chelsea and Westminster Hospital NHS Foundation Trust Chelsea and Westminster Hospital South Westminster Clinic. www.chelwest.nhs.uk</p> <p>Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust Charing Cross Hospital Hammersmith Hospital St Mary's Hospital www.imperial.nhs.uk</p> <p>North Middlesex University Hospital NHS Trust North Middlesex University Hospital http://www.northmid.nhs.uk/</p> <p>The Hillingdon Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust The Hillingdon Hospital www.thh.nhs.uk</p>	<p>Kettering General Hospital NHS Foundation Trust Kettering General Hospital Corby Community Hospital Isebrook Hospital. www.kgh.nhs.uk</p> <p>Northampton General Hospital NHS Trust Northampton General Hospital www.northamptongeneral.nhs.uk</p> <p>Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust John Radcliffe Hospital Churchill Hospital Horton General Hospital Nuffield Orthopaedic Hospital Banbury Hospital Children's Hospital and West Wing www.ouh.nhs.uk</p> <p>Frimley Health NHS Foundation Trust Heatherwood Hospital Wexham Park Hospital St Marks Hospital King Edward VII Hospital https://www.fhft.nhs.uk/</p> <p>Milton Keynes University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust Milton Keynes Hospital https://www.mkuh.nhs.uk/</p> <p>Royal Berkshire NHS Foundation Trust Royal Berkshire Hospital Royal Berkshire Bracknell Clinic West Berkshire Community Hospital www.royalberkshire.nhs.uk</p> <p>Buckingham Healthcare NHS Trust Stoke Mandeville Hospital Wycombe Hospital Amersham Hospital www.buckshealthcare.nhs.uk</p>