

GURNICK'S NUCLEAR MEDICINE PROGRAM RECEIVES ACCREDITATION

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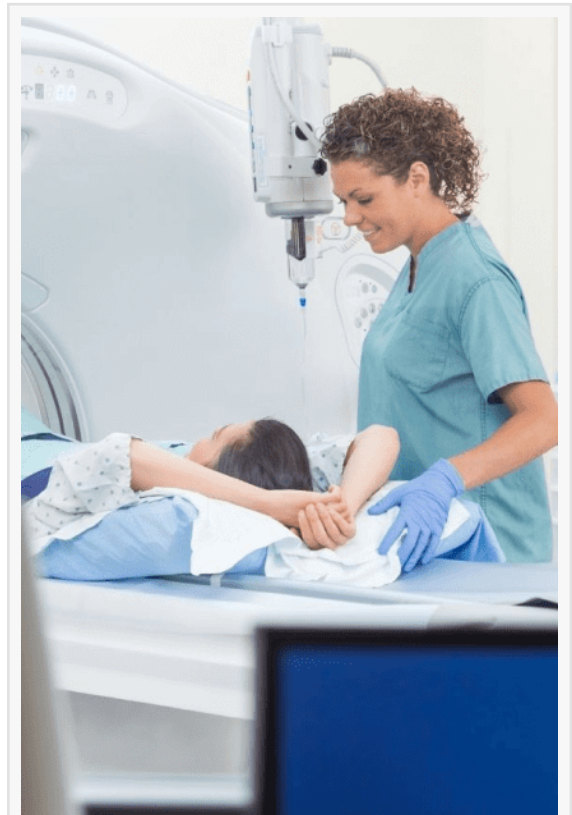
SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, UNITED STATES, March 26, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Gurnick Academy of Medical Arts recently received programmatic accreditation from the Joint Review Committee on Educational Programs in Nuclear Medicine Technology (JRCNMT) for the [A.S. in Nuclear Technology program](#).

"We are proud of our students, faculty, and program administration as they achieve this important milestone in developing this essential imaging program," says Dr. James Murrell, Gurnick's Dean of Imaging. "Our program was the first of its kind, so the JRCNMT had to change its protocols to accommodate us, but we knew we were up to the challenge of this accreditation."

"This accreditation serves as a testament to our commitment to excellence in education," says Cybil Nielsen, Nuclear Medicine program director. "It ensures that our program meets or exceeds the highest standards set forth by accrediting bodies."

Gurnick's Nuclear Medicine program already held accreditation from the [Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools \(ABHES\)](#) yet adding programmatic accreditation presents another layer of oversight to the educational process. Additionally, the recognition is an essential benchmark for employers seeking qualified graduates.

Of note, the JRCNMT is the leading accreditation body for nuclear medicine technology programs in the U.S. Established in 1969, the organization ensures that programs offering education and training for nuclear medicine technologists meet the highest standards of quality and excellence.



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“Accreditation by the JRCNMT signifies our program has undergone a rigorous evaluation process to demonstrate compliance with established criteria regarding curriculum, faculty qualifications, clinical experiences, and resources,” says the school.

The JRCNMT is vital in advancing nuclear medicine technology and promoting patient safety and quality care within the healthcare industry. “We are proud to continue preparing future nuclear medicine technologists who will significantly contribute to the healthcare field,” says Nielsen. Nuclear medicine combines the principles of physics, chemistry, and math to administer small amounts of radioactive materials or radiopharmaceuticals to examine the human body at the molecular level. Among other medical uses, this form of imaging is common in detecting, staging, and evaluating treatment for different types of cancers.²

“Accreditation through JRCNMT conveys to the public, especially students and employers, that the program meets or exceeds nationally accepted standards set by the professional community,” says Fred Faridian, Gurnick Academy’s vice president of campus operations. “This will position Gurnick Academy to serve the needs of our nuclear medicine students and community at a well-recognized professional level,” concludes Faridian.

Said accreditation comes at a fortuitous time, with the national job outlooks for the Nuc Med field expected to remain constant. According to the Bureau of Labor and Statistics, over 800 openings for nuclear medicine technologists are projected each year, on average, over the decade.²

Additionally, the vocation receives high rankings within multiple core employment areas. U.S. News ranked it #27 out of 100 Best Health Care Support Jobs for 2021 with an overall scorecard



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of 5.3 in job satisfaction, median salaries, growth percentages, occupational stress levels, and work-life balances, using an elusive mix of factors.³

The fully online, 24-month program* requires no prerequisites. Upon completion, students can enroll in the B.S. in Diagnostic Medical Imaging program. Graduates from the Nuclear Medicine Program are eligible to sit for the national licensing exam.~

□94 Weeks Approved Instruction

Citations

1 "JRCNMT History|JRCNMT." JRCNMT. June 1, 2022. (Accessed March 19, 2024.)

2^a, b [Bureau of Labor Statistics](#), U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Nuclear Medicine Technologists. (Accessed February 23, 2024.)

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