

## Options with a degree in Diagnostic Radiography

### What skills will you develop?

Diagnostic radiography graduates are able to

- demonstrate knowledge of the professional and clinical aspects of radiography
- operate a wide range of imaging equipment including magnetic resonance imaging, computed tomography scanners, diagnostic ultrasound and X-ray equipment
- explain procedures to patients clearly and with sensitivity
- work effectively as part of a healthcare team
- pay very close attention to detail
- recognise the importance of evidence-informed practice

[Job Profile: Diagnostic radiographer \(NHS Careers\)](#)

[Job Profile: Diagnostic radiographer \(Prospects\)](#)

[Job Profile: Diagnostic radiographer \(National Careers Service\)](#)

**Although most diagnostic radiography graduates work as radiographers in the NHS, there are other options where a diagnostic radiography degree would be a useful background or relevant first step prior to further training or study.**

- Adult nurse
- Audiologist
- Cardiovascular Technologist
- Clinical scientist
- Clinical technologist
- Higher education lecturer
- Medical laboratory assistant
- MRI technician
- Occupational therapist
- Operating department practitioner
- Ophthalmic and vision scientist
- Practice educator
- Researcher
- Sonography specialist
- Sterile services technician
- Therapeutic radiographer

## What other career options are there?

Many employers seek graduates with a good degree (usually a 2.2 or higher), and over 80% of employers don't have a preference for the subject studied. These are some of the areas you could also consider. Some of these will involve further study or training:

- Civil Service
- Local government
- Law
- HR
- Recruitment
- Banking
- Accountancy
- Finance
- Insurance
- Hospitality
- Events management
- Public Relations
- Marketing
- Sales and retail
- Advertising
- Charity and voluntary work
- Tourism
- Politics

**For more information about different sectors and job roles, including career-planning tools, the following websites are helpful:**

[Prospects](#)

[National Careers Service](#)

[Targetjobs](#)

[Radiography Careers](#)

## What help is available from the University of Cumbria?

The Careers and Employability Service can support you with your career planning throughout your time at university, and for up to three years after you graduate. During this time, you can access our career hub, [My Career Enriched](#), which enables you to:

- search for graduate jobs, part-time work, work experience, placements and paid internships
- book one-to-one advice and guidance appointments
- book a practice interview
- book onto employability events
- CV/application review service

We also offer practical workshops on a range of employability topics, as well as advice and information about further study.

Students with a disability or health condition can request information and advice on finding disability confident employers, how to declare a disability, applying for work, and requesting adjustments in the recruitment process.

Access our range of careers information and resources on [My.Cumbria.ac.uk](https://my.cumbria.ac.uk)

### Other useful sources of advice

- [The Society of Radiographers](#)
- [Health and Care Professions Council](#)
- [Targetpostgrad](#)
- [FindAMasters](#)
- [UNISON](#)
- [NHS Health Careers](#)

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