

# **Course Description**

### RAT 2241 | Radiobiology | 2 credits

This course is designed to establish a basic knowledge of principles of cell response to radiation. Factors influencing the effects of radiation, tissue sensitivity, and environmental factors are discussed.

# **Course Competencies**

# **Competency 1:**

The student will demonstrate an understanding of the integral aspects of radiation biology required of a radiation therapist by:

- 1. Integrate laws and principles of radiation biology to the clinical practice of radiation therapy.
- 2. Distinguish between units of radiation quantities and radiobiologic measures using SI units.
- 3. Describe the 4 Rs of radiobiology.

#### **Learning Outcomes**

\*Learning outcome 3\*

## **Competency 2:**

The student will demonstrate knowledge of biology of the cancer cell by:

- 1. Distinguish between somatic and genetic effects of radiation exposure.
- 2. Evaluate factors influencing radiobiologic/biophysical events at the cellular and subcellular level.
- 3. Determine biologic damage due to radiation-induced chemical reactions.

### **Learning Outcomes**

\*Learning outcome 3\*

## **Competency 3:**

The student will demonstrate knowledge of biological interactions of radiation by:

- 1. Discuss radiation effects on the cell cycle.
- 2. Identify radiosensitive components of the cell.
- 3. Describe radiation syndromes and factors influencing response.

### **Learning Outcomes**

\*Learning outcome 3\*