

**Resource****Work Voices #1****Elia Ruano - Radiologist**

*It is helpful to view one segment at a time*

**Context**

Elia Ruano describes her journey to becoming a radiologist. She explains the English requirements and also the how the Radiology Certificate program at Canada prepared her to practice in the field. The only education prerequisite for admission to a program is usually a high school diploma or equivalent.

Radiology certificate and diploma programs ground students in the techniques used in radiological imaging - imaging procedures and use of imaging equipment. Programs also offer contextualized learning which help students to communicate effectively in a medical environment and develop professional skills.

**Preview activities/Introductory questions***Beginning level*

- What is her job title?
- What does she do?
- What do you want to know about radiology?

*Intermediate*

- Have you heard of this career in the medical field?
- Have you or someone you know been to a radiologist?
- What would you need to know in order to consider this career?

**Vocabulary***Beginning level*

Prerequisites, diagnose, scan, flexible, determined, compassionate

*Intermediate*

Prerequisites, fluoroscopy, tomography, diagnostic imaging, ultra sound, CT scans, diagnose, MRI - magnetic resonance imaging, fracture, flexibility compassionate, determination, rewarding, procedures, clinic, pediatric

**Focus questions**

- What is a radiologic technologist?
- What are her duties?

- What are the prerequisites needed for the program?
- What personal qualities does she recommend?
- What other fields did she consider?

Discuss responses.

### **Post viewing**

#### **Research**

##### **a Training courses**

- Find training programs in radiology near where you live

##### **b Job opportunities**

- Look for jobs as a radiologist within your area.
- Investigate the range of positions – that is the different levels you can achieve in radiology.
- Explore the pay rates at the different levels.

*Summarize findings for a and b in two paragraphs to share with the class*

#### **Reflection**

- Do you think Elia likes her job?
- What questions do you still have about being a radiologist?
- What are the best things about working as a radiologist?
- What are the challenges or dangers of working in this field?

*Write a short reflection paragraph in response to these questions*

#### **Contact assignment**

Interview someone who is working as a radiologist **OR** someone who works in the health field in a job that interests you.

Record the interview

Post it to your class blog – if there is one.

### **Further resources**

Health Education Resources for ESL Educators [www.kqed.org/healtheducation](http://www.kqed.org/healtheducation)

VESL Resources at Canada College

<http://sites.google.com/site/veslcanadacollege/>