# Bachelor of Medical Imaging (Honours)

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# Why study Medical Imaging?

The Bachelor of Medical Imaging (Honours) (BMedImag(Hons)) at the University of Auckland is the first undergraduate Medical Imaging programme to be offered by a university in New Zealand and the only degree to offer an honours option in Medical Imaging.

The study of Medical Imaging involves knowledge of:

- · human anatomy
- · physiology and pathology
- · positioning and imaging techniques
- · physics and radiation physics
- use of x-ray equipment taking into consideration radiation safety and radioactive materials

Medical Imaging Technologists are required to perform high quality diagnostic imaging procedures and ensure holistic patient care.

Medical imaging is a patient-centred profession. The role involves acting as advocate for patients, displaying a high level of professionalism, and functioning as part of the multidisciplinary team.

The role of the Medical Imaging Technologist (MIT) is ever-changing with the introduction of more complex technologies, increased demand on clinical imaging and educational opportunities.

#### Highlights

- Experience patient-centred learning and teaching and be well prepared to contribute confidently in the Medical Imaging clinical environment.
- Includes extensive hands-on clinical experience throughout the programme, supported by experienced Medical Imaging technologists in radiology departments.
- Become a critical, reflective practitioner with the ability to engage effectively in a multidisciplinary healthcare environment.



#### What you'll be studying

In the first year you will be enrolled in the BSc (Biomedical Science) taking set courses in Biology, Chemistry and Physics. Graduate entrants may be directed to include some or all of the Part I courses depending on their background.

In subsequent years (Parts II-IV) you will:

- Complete courses in radiographic positioning and image acquisition, Medical Imaging physical principles and technology, image optimisation and evaluation, patient care and safety, sectional imaging anatomy and pathology, professionalism and evidence-based practice, and specialised imaging
- Obtain clinical experience in simulation labs, hospitals and outpatient radiology facilities
- Complete a final-year dissertation that develops your analytical and research skills in Medical Imaging

#### **Choose your career**

Medical Imaging Technologists (MITs) work in a variety of roles either in public hospitals or private radiology practices. Most will begin their career in general radiographic imaging (x-ray) with opportunities to also work in computed tomography (CT), angiography and mammography. MITs may subsequently choose to pursue additional studies to practise in specialisations such as magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), ultrasound and nuclear medicine. The role of the MIT in all of these imaging modalities is ever changing with the rapid advancement of technology.

Other career opportunities include roles with Medical Imaging equipment vendors such as clinical application specialists, or management positions in Medical Imaging departments. MITs can also opt to pursue an academic career engaging in teaching and research.

### Rachel Barrass

Postgraduate Diploma in Health Sciences (Medical Imaging) student Rachel Barrass works as a trainee Nuclear Medicine Technologist at Specialist Radiology & MRI in Auckland.

"All of the lecturers and support staff whom I encountered during my study were extremely helpful, approachable and friendly. I also couldn't have asked for a more supportive, knowledgeable Clinical Supervisor.

"I am anticipating that this qualification will enable me to be a confident and competent Nuclear Medicine Technologist. After completing my postgraduate studies I intend to focus on consolidating my existing knowledge base, then maybe consider further study in the future."



### Our department

The Department of Anatomy and Medical Imaging makes a major contribution to general courses in biomedical science teaching and offers specialist courses in the anatomical and imaging sciences. It comprises the disciplines of Anatomy and Medical Imaging and forms part of the School of Medical Sciences of the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences.

Our department is widely recognised for several outstanding developments, including:

- · the initiation of a state-of-the-art Biomedical Imaging Research Unit
- an internationally recognised human brain bank for neuroscience research
- a fully integrated facility that underpins anatomy, radiology and pathology teaching on the human body
- · Auckland Medical Research Foundation (AMRF)
- · Medical Sciences Learning Centre Whakaaro Pai
- · a broad range of high quality histology techniques Histology Laboratory.

Our staff research activities are wide ranging and multidisciplinary, extending from the molecular level, through biological structure, to studies on the whole body.

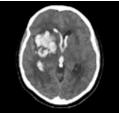
We also deliver the only postgraduate registrable programmes in New Zealand for the Medical Imaging profession.

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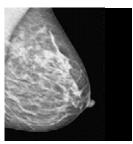
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#### **Medical Imaging Website**

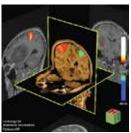
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### Course schedule

#### Part I

#### BIOSCI 101

Essential Biology: From Genomes to Organisms

#### BIOSCI 106

Foundations of Biochemistry

#### BIOSCI 107

Biology for Biomedical Science: Cellular Processes and Development

#### **CHEM 110**

Chemistry of the Living World

#### POPLHLTH 111

Population Health

#### PHYSICS 160

Physics for the Life Sciences

#### MEDSCI 142

Biology for Biomedical Science

#### **GENED**

#### Part II

#### **CLINIMAG 201**

Radiographic Clinical Practice I

#### HLTHPSYC 122

Behaviour, Health and Development

#### MEDIMAGE 199

English Language Competency

#### MEDIMAGE 201

Fundamentals of Medical Imaging

#### MEDIMAGE 202

Medical Imaging Science

#### MEDIMAGE 203

Radiographic Imaging I

#### MEDSCI 201

Human Structure and Function

#### MEDSCI 203

Mechanisms of Disease

#### MEDSCI 205

The Physiology of Human Organ Systems

#### Part III

#### CLINIMAG 301

Radiographic Clinical Practice II

#### CLINIMAG 302

Radiographic Clinical Practice III

#### MEDIMAGE 301

Radiographic Imaging II

#### MEDIMAGE 302

Sectional Imaging Anatomy and Pathology

#### MEDIMAGE 303

Physiology and Pharmacology for Medical Imaging

#### MEDIMAGE 304

Advanced Radiographic Imaging

#### MEDIMAGE 305

Professional Practice in Medical Imaging

#### MEDIMAGE 306

Specialised Medical Imaging

#### Part IV

#### CLINIMAG 401 A

Radiographic Clinical Practice IV

#### CLINIMAG 401 B

Radiographic Clinical Practice IV

#### MEDIMAGE 740 A

Research in Medical Imaging

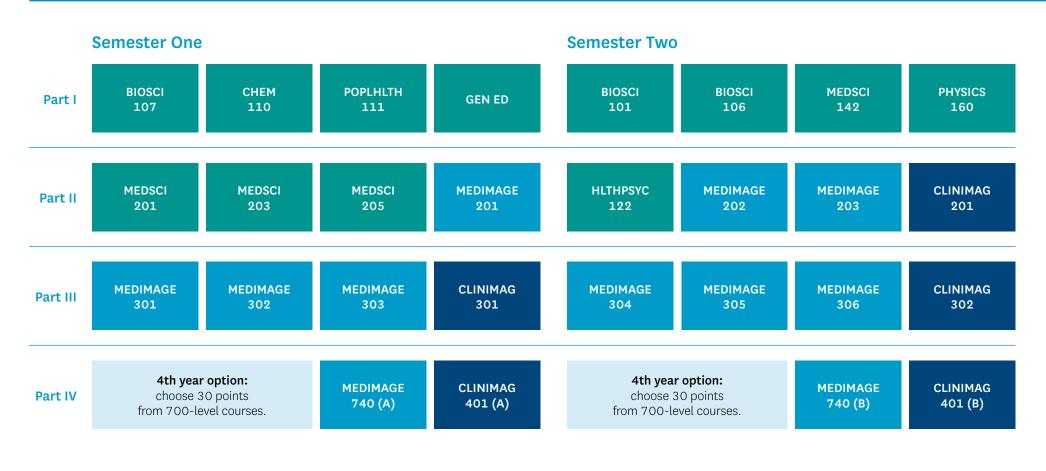
#### MEDIMAGE 740 B

Research in Medical Imaging

#### Note:

For more information about 700-level elective courses, please see the Medical Imaging Postgraduate Handbook

### BMedImag (Hons) degree structure



- Existing undergraduate course
- New undergraduate/postgraduate Medical Imaging course
- New undergraduate Medical Imaging clinical practice course

# Helpful information

Medical Imaging

www.fmhs.auckland.ac.nz/medical-imaging

Bachelor of Medical Imaging programme

www.fmhs.auckland.ac.nz/bmedimag-hons

Academic dates

www.auckland.ac.nz/dates

Accommodation

www.accommodation.auckland.ac.nz

Career Development and Employment Services

www.auckland.ac.nz/careers

Faculty website

www.fmhs.auckland.ac.nz

Fees

www.auckland.ac.nz/fees

Frequently Asked Questions

www.auckland.ac.nz/askauckland

General education

www.auckland.ac.nz/generaleducation

How to apply

www.apply.auckland.ac.nz

How to enrol

www.auckland.ac.nz/enrolment

International students

www.international.auckland.ac.nz

Māori and Pacific Admission Scheme (MAPAS)

mapas@auckland.ac.nz

Need help?

www.askauckland.ac.nz

Scholarships and awards

www.scholarships.auckland.ac.nz

The University of Auckland website

www.auckland.ac.nz

The University of Auckland Calendar

www.auckland.ac.nz/calendar

Questions about Medical Imaging and application closing dates?

Contact our FMHS Student Centre: fmhs@auckland.ac.nz

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