

SCoR Survey of Students and Recently Qualified Radiographers 2017

1. Welcome

Welcome to the annual survey by the Society and College of Radiographers of students and recently qualified radiographers. This short survey should be completed by:

- All those on an education programme leading to qualification as a radiographer; and
- All those who have qualified from such a programme since December 2015

All answers will be anonymous. It should take 5 minutes to complete.

You will have the option to enter a prize draw at the end of this survey. The prize is your choice of £75 worth of One4all vouchers redeemable at most high street shops. One prize is available for therapeutic students/recently qualified radiographers and one for diagnostic students/recently qualified radiographers.

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2. Qualification year

* 1. Which of the following best describes your current educational status?

- ☐ Year 1 of course
- ☐ Year 2 of course
- ☐ Year 3 of course
- ☐ Year 4 of course (Scotland only)
- ☐ Just qualified - less than 6 months
- ☐ Qualified - 7 to 12 months
- ☐ Qualified - 13 to 24 months



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3. Age group

* 2. When you started your radiography programme what age were you?

- ☐ 21 years or younger
- ☐ Over 21 years old



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4. University

* 3. Where are you studying or where did you study on your course leading to qualification as a radiographer? (Select one answer only.)

- | | | |
|---|---|---|
| <input type="radio"/> University of Hertfordshire | <input type="radio"/> Kingston University & St George's, University of London | <input type="radio"/> The Robert Gordon University |
| <input type="radio"/> University of Exeter | <input type="radio"/> University of Suffolk | <input type="radio"/> Queen Margaret University |
| <input type="radio"/> City, University of London | <input type="radio"/> University of Ulster | <input type="radio"/> Canterbury Christ Church University |
| <input type="radio"/> University of Cumbria | <input type="radio"/> University of Liverpool | <input type="radio"/> Bangor University |
| <input type="radio"/> University of the West of England | <input type="radio"/> University of Bradford | <input type="radio"/> Birmingham City University |
| <input type="radio"/> University of Portsmouth | <input type="radio"/> University of Leeds | <input type="radio"/> University of Derby |
| <input type="radio"/> University of Salford | <input type="radio"/> Cardiff University | <input type="radio"/> Keel University |
| <input type="radio"/> London South Bank University | <input type="radio"/> University of Teesside | |
| <input type="radio"/> Glasgow Caledonian University | <input type="radio"/> Sheffield Hallam University | |



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5. Discipline

* 4. What is or was your degree discipline?

- ☐ Diagnostic
- ☐ Therapeutic



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6. Choice of subject

5. How important to you were the following reasons for choosing the subject of radiography?(Select one circle on each row.)

	Extremely important	Very important	Somewhat important	Not too important	Not important at all	N/A
I was interested in a healthcare career.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I could meet the entry requirements.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I did not need to pay tuition fees for this subject.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I thought it likely I would find a job after qualification.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I was attracted by the potential starting salary after qualification.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I was attracted by the potential for career development after qualification.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I wanted to help people / contribute to society.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I had previous experience in healthcare / radiography.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I was interested in the scientific aspects of radiography.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>



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7. Choice of course

6. How important to you were the following reasons for choosing your specific course?(Select one circle on each row.)

	Extremely important	Very important	Somewhat important	Not too important	Not important at all	N/A
The course had a good reputation.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The course is at a convenient location.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I did not need to pay tuition fees for this course.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The university had a good reputation.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I liked the clinical placement arrangements.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>



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8. Completion

We are continuously working to reduce the numbers leaving radiography courses before they have completed their studies. Your answers to the following questions will help us understand why some students do not complete their course.

* 7. Have you considered leaving your radiography course before completing your studies?

☐ Yes

☐ No



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9. Leaving reasons

8. Have any of the following factors caused you to consider leaving your radiography course?

	Yes	No
Financial commitments	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Outstanding debt from academic study	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Personal or family reasons	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Wrong career choice	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Dissatisfaction with course content	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Bullying	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Finding the course too difficult	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Dissatisfaction with clinical placement	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Travel difficulties	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Too much work	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Failing parts of the course	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Other (please specify)



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10. Expectations

9. How important to you are the following factors relating to your expectations of a career in radiography? *(Select one circle on each row.)*

	Extremely important	Very important	Somewhat important	Not too important	Not important at all
Career progression	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Skills and knowledge development	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Variety of the content of the role	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Opportunities to specialise	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Challenging work	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Job satisfaction	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Role expansion	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Fair salary	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Job security	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Enjoyment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sufficient disposable income to clear debt	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Other (please specify)



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11. Assessment of expectations

10. How true is the following statement? *(Select one circle in the row.)*

	Completely true	Mostly true	Somewhat true	Slightly true	Not at all true
Radiography as a career is so far consistent with my expectations.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

11. If you wish, comment further on whether a career in radiography is so far consistent with your expectations.



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12. Student Finances

Your answer to the question on this page will help us gather evidence on debt levels among recently qualified radiographers.

12. To the nearest £1,000 on the date of your qualification, how much were you / will you be in debt approximately?

	Student loan debt	Credit card debt	Personal loan debt (exclude mortgage)	Other debt (exclude mortgage)
Type of debt	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>



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13. Completion by other students

13. Do you know of any other students in your year who have left, or are considering leaving, your course this academic year without completing their studies?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

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14. Others know why?

14. Do you know why they left, or are considering leaving, your course?

☐ Yes

☐ No

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15. Others leaving reasons

15. Which of the following factors are causing the other student(s) to leave, or consider leaving, your radiography course?

	Yes	No
Financial commitment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Outstanding debt from previous academic study	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Personal or family reasons	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Wrong career choice	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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Other - please describe the reason without identifying the individual(s)



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16. Job seeking

16. Do you have a job working as a radiographer arranged for after qualification?

☐ Yes

☐ No



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17. Worked since qualification

17. Have you worked as a radiographer since you qualified?

☐ Yes

☐ No



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18. First job start

18. How soon after qualification did you start your first job as a radiographer?(*Select one response only.*)

☐ Immediately

☐ Within two months of qualification

☐ Between two and six months after qualification

☐ More than six months after qualification



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19. Full or part time

19. Is your first job as a radiographer full-time or part-time?

☐ Full-time

☐ Part-time

A full-time job is generally considered to be 37.5 hours per week.

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20. Contract

20. Is your first radiographer job contract type permanent or temporary?

- ☐ Permanent
- ☐ Temporary

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21. How prepared for first job

21. How true is the following statement? *(Select one circle in the row.)*

	Completely true	Mostly true	Somewhat true	Slightly true	Not at all true
My radiography course prepared me sufficiently for my first job.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

22. If you wish, please comment on how prepared you felt for your first job.

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22. Preferred contract

23. If you could choose, which type of contract would you prefer to have for your first job as a radiographer?

- ☐ Permanent
- ☐ Temporary
- ☐ No preference



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23. Preferred contract

24. If you could choose, would you prefer to be full-time or part-time in your first job as a radiographer?

- ☐ Full-time
- ☐ Part-time
- ☐ No preference



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24. No job arranged

25. If you do not have a job as a radiographer arranged yet, please indicate the main reason for this.
(Select one answer only.)

- ☐ I am restricted to a specific geographical area
- ☐ No suitable vacancies
- ☐ Not actively seeking work as a radiographer
- ☐ So far unsuccessful at interview

Other (please specify)

To help you with your job search, the Society website has advice on finding a job [here](#).



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25. Prize draw

26. If you wish to be entered in the prize draw, please enter your email address.

The prize is of £75 worth of One4All vouchers.

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26. General comments

27. Please use the box below to make any additional comments you may have related to this survey.