

# SoR Survey of Students and Recently Qualified Radiographers

Welcome to the annual survey by the Society 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 January 2013.

It should take no longer than 10 minutes to complete. All answers will be anonymous.

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 either John Lewis or Marks & Spencer vouchers. One prize is available for therapeutic students/recently qualified radiographers and one for diagnostic students/recently qualified radiographers.

## In which year did you (or are you due to) qualify as a radiographer?

- 2013
- 2014
- 2015
- 2016
- 2017
- 2018

## 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 the scientific aspects of radiography.	<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 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 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 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 interested in a healthcare career.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Other (please specify)

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## 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
I liked the clinical placement arrangements.	<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 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 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"/>

Other (please specify)

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.

## Have you considered leaving your radiography course before completing your studies?

- Yes
- No

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

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

Other (please specify)

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

- Yes
- No

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

	Yes	No
Too much work	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Bullying	<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"/>
Financial reasons	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Dissatisfaction with course content	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Dissatisfaction with clinical placement	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Travel difficulties	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Finding the course too difficult	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Failing parts of the course	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Other - please describe the reason without identifying the individual(s)

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

- Yes
- No

## Have you worked as a radiographer since you qualified?

- Yes
- No

## 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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**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
Job satisfaction	<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"/>
Role expansion	<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"/>
Skills and knowledge development	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Career progression	<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"/>
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"/>

Other (please specify)

**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"/>

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

**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"/>

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

**Is your first radiographer job contract type permanent or temporary?**

- Permanent
- Temporary

Other (please specify)

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

- Permanent
- Temporary
- No preference

Other (please specify)

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

- Full-time
- Part-time

Other (please specify)

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

## 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

Other (please specify)

## 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](#).

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

## To the nearest £1,000 on the date of your qualification, how much were you / will you be in debt? Please exclude mortgage debt.

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

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

Other (please specify)

**What is or was your degree discipline?**

- Diagnostic
- Therapeutic

# SoR Survey of Students and Recently Qualified Radiographers

## When you started your radiography programme what age were you?

- 21 years or younger
- Over 21 years old

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

The prize is your choice of £75 worth of either John Lewis or Marks & Spencer vouchers.  
One prize is available for therapeutic students/graduates and one for diagnostic students/graduates.

We, the Society and College of Radiographers (SCoR), ask for your email address so we can administer the prize draw. We will not publish this personal data. Any personal data which the SCoR collects, records or uses in any way will have appropriate safeguards applied to ensure compliance with the Data Protection Act.

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