



School of Medicine Radiation Therapy Program

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Greetings from the OHSU Radiation Therapy Program!

It's been a year of transition for the program which started off with the retirement of Anne Maddeford. Anne began her career as Program Director at OHSU in 1992 and transitioned the program from certificate based to a program that awards a Bachelor of Science degree in Radiation Therapy. The BS degree program began in 1994 and was a very progressive transition.

The Program Director position has recently been accepted by Kristi Tønning. Kristi is a former graduate of the program; graduating class of 2001 and she will be joining us as the new director on August 1st 2015. Currently the interim program director is covered on a part-time basis by Barbara Agrimson, and Linda Yates continues to maintain the busy clinical component of the program as the acting clinical coordinator.

Speaking of the clinical component, we are excited to have Community Cancer Center in Roseburg join on as another clinical site for students to rotate. Due to its distance from the OHSU campus this clinical site is reserved for those students willing to relocate during a summer term.

Another big change for the program was our move to the Portland waterfront. In June, we took occupancy in the [Collaborative Life Sciences Building](#), (commonly referred to as CLSB). CLSB is a unique partnership among three higher education institutions: OHSU, PSU and OSU. The facility serves as a platform for Interprofessional education among other things. Our students now have individual PC's in the classroom along with remote access to treatment planning systems, as well as a beautiful lounge, library, Starbucks and Elephant's Deli. If you are ever in the area, please stop by.

Our new address is: 2730 SW Moody Ave, Portland OR 97201-5042. Our new mail code is CL5 RT.

We are pleased to announce the 2014 graduating class all passed the registry on their first attempt. Five of the nine students have found employment in the radiation therapy profession.

Members of the radiation therapy graduating class are requested to provide comments about their experience while in the program. These are surveys that are given out at the completion of their studies. Listed below are some of the comments offered from the class of 2014:

- The students are very appreciative of all that the clinic staff did for them.
- They feel they gain the most from this program during their clinical experiences.
- Their comments about the clinics & the therapists are always very positive.
- “Awesome” was used by more than one student on their final evaluation to describe their experience in the clinic & the therapists they worked with.
- They feel having the opportunity to rotate through so many sites is also very beneficial.

We are very grateful to each of you as being part of this program and providing such a rich clinical environment. We look forward to an exciting year ahead and want to thank you for your continuing support of our students, & RT Program, and we wish you a very happy and progressive 2015.

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