

Career Opportunities

(NAPS)—With new technologies come hot jobs. Today, educators and employers find that the new applications of nuclear science and technology have increased the need for radiation protection technologists.



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According to the American Nuclear Society, the demand for radiation safety professionals is approximately 130 percent over the supply. Radiation safety professionals are trained to ensure the safe use of radioactive materials. Familiar with the biological effects of radiation exposure, they monitor the use of radioactive material in industry, operate detection equipment, conduct diagnostic imaging, or otherwise make certain that nuclear materials are properly used.

New degree and certificate programs attract qualified candidates into the field. Two-year degrees permit graduates to immediately enter the work force or to choose to advance to bachelor's and post-graduate degrees. Job growth results as the work force ages and retires and as industries and medical institutions use radiation in innovative ways.

To learn more about nuclear related careers, visit the American Nuclear Society Web site at www.ans.org/pi/np/radsafety.