



RESPIRATORY CARE REQUIREMENTS

Admission Requirements

Placement Assessments.

All students must complete a math, reading and writing placement assessment prior to being accepted. Allowed assessments include ACCUPLACER®, ACCUPLACER NEXT GENERATION®, ACT®, ACT COMPASS®, ALEKS®, SAT®, satisfy the reading high school requirement of cumulative GPA 2.67 or above if graduation date is within 5 years of admission application date, satisfy the math high school requirement of cumulative GPA 2.00-2.79 if graduation date is within 5 years of admission application date or completion of approved college coursework. Students should submit assessment results, high school transcript or their official college transcripts to the Admissions Office for consideration of an assessment waiver. Respiratory Care applicants must meet one of the following minimum requirements for math and reading placement:

Reading	
ACCUPLACER®	70
ACCUPLACER NEXT GENERATION®	250
ACT®	19
ACT COMPASS®	81

Math	
ALEKS®	14
ACT®	16
SAT®	430

Coursework.

Completion of the following course is required with a minimum grade of C- or better and must have been successfully completed no more than five years prior to the student's application date. For transfer consideration of the following coursework, submit official college transcripts to the Admissions Office for evaluation.

- Human Anatomy and Physiology I with lab component [BIO:168] *Mandatory prerequisite, one year high school biology/chemistry or college equivalent with a minimum grade of C-; or a minimum grade of C- in BIO:112, BIO:157, or CHM:110. Submit your high school transcript to document completion of the prerequisite.*

Admission Status

Remediating.

Remediating students have submitted an application to the Respiratory Care program but have not completed one or more of the admission requirements outlined above. At the end of each semester, admission staff will review academic coursework and document successful completion of the admission requirements for the program. Students with a remediating status are not ranked on the waitlist until all requirements have been satisfied.

Waitlist.

Waitlist students have all the admission requirements completed and are waiting for acceptance into the Respiratory Care program. A waiting list is necessary due to limited capacity for program enrollment. Students are ranked on the waiting list based on the date they complete all admission requirements.

Accepted.

The Respiratory Care program begins in the fall. Students at the top of the waiting list are offered acceptance into the program and are required to respond by the stated deadline to avoid cancellation of their application. Students who refuse an acceptance offer will be placed at the bottom of the waiting list as of the date the Admission Office receives notice of their intent not to enroll.

Program Costs	RESPIRATORY CARE	
Tuition/Fees/Books	\$18,207 in-state	\$20,163 out-of-state
Background Check, Drug Test and Medical Document Manager	\$103	
Physical Exam/Immunizations (Varies based on health coverage.)	Undetermined	
Apparel/Clinical Supplies	\$452	
Certifications and Testing	\$515	
Clinical Transportation (Gas and Lodging)	Undetermined	
Student Educators Conference	\$165	
TOTAL	\$19,442 in-state	\$21,398 out-of-state

The costs above are provided as a guide to financing your Respiratory Care education. The costs provided are estimated at time of publication and do not reflect the exact cost a student may incur.

* Based on the 2020-2021 tuition and fee rates.

Program Requirements

The following requirements must be satisfied within the first semester of the Respiratory Care program at Northeast Iowa Community College (NICC).

A student who does not successfully satisfy the program requirements will be placed at the bottom of the waitlist.

Orientation.

- Attendance at a mandatory program orientation. Notice of dates and times (*usually one week prior to the start of the program*) will occur after acceptance to the program.

Trainings.

- Complete the American Heart Association Health Care Professional BLS or American Red Cross CPR for Healthcare Providers.
- Mandatory Reporter Child and Dependent Adult Abuse
- NICC HIPAA and Bloodborne Pathogen

Student Health and Background Screening.

- Purchase a CastleBranch package to certify and collect compliance documents required of healthcare professionals.
- Criminal, dependent adult and child abuse background screening
- Physical and immunization records (*time sensitive, one year expiration*)
- Drug testing
- Provide annual proof of health insurance coverage prior to lab and clinical experiences.
- For more detailed information and instructions visit: www.nicc.edu/programrequirements

Resources.

www.nicc.edu/respiratorycare

www.aarc.org

www.coarc.com

Learn More.

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