Respiratory Therapy Associate Degree Program
Program start date: Fall • Day program
Flanagan Campus • Applications for Fall 2014-16 • RESP

Admissions Guidelines

Minimum requirements to apply to the Respiratory Therapy program:

1. **CCRI application** – Complete and submit a CCRI Application for Enrollment. General Studies should be first choice; RESP should be second choice.

2. **High school transcript** – Send an official copy of a high school transcript or GED, including date of graduation must be provided. If the applicant holds a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college/university, the high school transcript may be waived; college transcript must indicate completion and degree awarded.

3. **Placement testing** – Complete a standardized test (ACCUPLACER) issued by CCRI’s Department of Advising and Counseling. Students may NOT retake the ACCUPLACER test before completing the remedial course/courses.
   - Reading comprehension test must show competency of 80 or above or students must complete ENGL 0890: Critical Reading with a grade of “B-” or better.

4. **Complete courses required for admission with a grade of “C” or better:**
   - ENGL 1010: Composition I (ENGL 1300 does not substitute)
   - MATH 1420: Introduction to College Math (MATH 1430, MATH 1200 and MATH 1700 also meet this requirement.)
   - RESP 1000: Current Health Care Concepts
   - BIOL 1010: Human Anatomy
   - CHEM 1010: Survey of Biomedical Chemistry (CHEM 1180: Health Science Chemistry I or CHEM 1030: General Chemistry also meet this requirement.)

5. **GPA** – A grade point average of 2.0 or better for all college courses taken.

6. **Health Sciences application** – Complete and submit a performance-based Health Sciences application including a preadmission degree evaluation during the open enrollment period.

Submission of a performance-based Health Sciences application does not guarantee acceptance to the program. Acceptance is based on points earned as listed in the program acceptance criteria point system (see reverse or www.ccri.edu/dean-hrs). At the time of admission, students must meet the current admission requirements. Students declining acceptance into the program for the semester offered must resubmit a performance-based Health Sciences application and meet the current admission requirements. Once accepted, students must attend a mandatory orientation conducted by the Allied Health Department.

7. **Background Check** – Students are required to submit a background check when directed by notification from Enrollment Services.

Policies for the Respiratory Therapy program after acceptance:
- Applicants must have a physical examination and the required immunizations completed prior to the beginning of the Respiratory Therapy program.
- Students also must have a current CPR card (American Heart Association, Health Care Provider level) obtained through an AHA recognized community training center (Course is also available at CCRI – HEAL 0200.)

Please note: Requirements are subject to change.

For more information: www.ccri.edu/dean-hrs/admiss-docs.html
- Office of Enrollment Services, Flanagan Campus: Lilliam Abreu, 401-333-7172, ldabreu@ccri.edu
- If more specific information is needed, contact Joanne Jacobs, Respiratory Therapy program director, at 401-333-7024 or via e-mail at jjacobs@ccri.edu.
RESP Program Acceptance Criteria Point System

The performance-based acceptance process is based on the performance indicators identified for the Respiratory Therapy program. A point system, based on the admissions guidelines, has been assigned to the performance criteria.

The criteria for the incoming Fall 2014 class will include:
• Grades in BIOL 1010, CHEM 1010 and MATH 1420 (prerequisite admission courses)
• Number of required general education courses completed
• Reading score/degree completion
• Tie-breaker points: grades in general education courses

1. Grades in the following prerequisite admission courses using the scale below:
   A = 40 points  B+ = 30 points  C+ = 15 points
   A- = 35 points  B = 25 points  C = 10 points
   B- = 20 points
   Grade in BIOL 1010 Maximum: 40
   Grade in CHEM 1010 or 1030 or 1180 Maximum: 40
   Grade in MATH 1420 (1430, 1200, 1700) Maximum: 40
   Maximum points = 120

2. Number of general education courses completed
   BIOL 1020  10
   BIOL 2210  10
   PSYC 2010  10
   Maximum points = 30

3. Reading score/degree completion
   Score of 90 or better or Bachelor's degree
   Maximum points = 5

   ACCUPLACER test may be taken no more than three times

   Maximum Point Total = 155

Tie breaker

In the event of a tie in the performance rating, students who are tied and have completed BIOL 1020 will receive preference over those who have not. In the event of a tie, grades for the required general education courses that are completed also will be considered. Students will receive points for grades in these courses using the scale used for the prerequisite admission courses.

   Grade in ENGL 1010 Maximum: 40
   Grade in BIOL 1020 Maximum: 40
   Grade in BIOL 2210 Maximum: 40
   Grade in PSYC 2010 Maximum: 40

Credits granted through AP, CLEP, challenge exams or assessment of prior learning will be recognized as satisfying course requirements and will be assigned points equivalent to a grade of “B”.

***A student with a baccalaureate degree or higher may still be required to complete an ACCUPLACER Test depending on the prerequisites for individual general education courses.***

Please review the Department of Health website at www.health.ri.gov/licenses/healthcare/index.php to learn about licensing requirements for the health sciences professions.

Please Note: A Social Security number is required to begin the licensing process for the health sciences professions.