

Respiratory Care - AAS

West Burlington Campus

Respiratory care deals with all aspects of the heart and lungs from babies through adulthood. It ranks among the top 20 fastest growing occupations, and companies love to hire SCC grads. That's because they know their stuff. Our two-year program includes tons of hands-on experience in clinical sites across the region.

Respiratory Care is a specialty field in the health occupation career field. Simply stated, "It deals with everything to do with the heart and lungs from babies through adulthood." This field is growing rapidly and has a great demand for graduates with an associate degree in respiratory care. Respiratory care ranks among the Top 20 fastest-growing occupations for the 21st century.

This two-year program includes clinical studies. These clinical studies consist of hands-on training that will take place in rotating hospitals within a 75-mile radius. Graduates of this program will be able to initiate, conduct, or modify respiratory care techniques in emergency and non-emergency settings. The Southeastern Community College Respiratory Care Program, CoARC #200462, located in West Burlington, Iowa, offers an Associate of Applied Science Degree and is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (www.coarc.com).

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Program Requirements

Prerequisites	Credit
BIO-186 Microbiology	4
CHM-122 Introduction to General Chemistry	4
HSC-114 Medical Terminology	3
Semester Total.....	11

Fall Semester I	Credit
BIO-163 Essentials of Anatomy and Physiology	4
ENG-105 Composition I	3
RCP-231 Introduction to Respiratory Care	3
RCP-232 Respiratory Care Modalities	1.5
RCP-233 Introduction to Clinical Practice	3
Semester Total.....	14.5

Spring Semester I	Credit
RCP-331 Respiratory Care II	3
RCP-332 Respiratory Care Modalities II	1
RCP-333 Cardiopulmonary Pharmacology	2
RCP-350 Pulmonary Pathology	3
RCP-751 Respiratory Care Clinic I	5
SPC-101 Fundamentals of Oral Communication	3
Semester Total.....	17

Summer Semester	Credit
PSY-111 Introduction to Psychology	3
RCP-480 Advanced Cardiac Care	2.5
RCP-524 Respiratory Care III	5
RCP-755 Respiratory Care Clinic II	1
Semester Total.....	11.5

Fall Semester II	Credit
RCP-440 Cardio/Pulmonary Diagnostics	2
RCP-450 Respiratory Care IV	3
RCP-620 Neonatal/Pediatric Respiratory Care	5
RCP-761 Respiratory Care Clinic III	5
Semester Total.....	15

Spring Semester II	Credit
RCP-767 Respiratory Care Clinic IV	8
RCP-810 Respiratory Care Professional	2
RCP-910 Respiratory Care RRT Review	2
Semester Total.....	12

Program Total.....	81
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