



Respiratory Therapist

ASSOCIATE DEGREE

Program Code: 10-515-1

Downtown Milwaukee Campus

Enhance patient care by evaluating and treating people with lung and heart disease. Respiratory therapists' duties include administering treatments, recommending therapeutic interventions and operating life support systems. Graduates are qualified to sit for the National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC) examinations.

Career Outlook

Respiratory therapists work in acute and subacute hospitals, diagnostic laboratories, rehabilitation facilities, clinics and home care.



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This program features exploratory courses that count toward a credential. Contact an MATC advisor for information.

Program Learning Outcomes

- Apply respiratory therapy concepts to patient care situations
- Demonstrate technical proficiency required to fulfill the role of a Respiratory Therapist
- Practice respiratory therapy according to established professional and ethical standards

Admission Requirements

High school diploma or GED, and one year of high school-level biology and chemistry are required. This program admits students through a petition selection process. See the program's webpage at matc.edu to view the petition process and all requirements.

 **MILWAUKEE AREA Technical College**
School of HEALTH SCIENCES

TECHNICAL STUDIES

Credits

(1) HEALTH-101	Medical Terminology.....	3
(1) RESPC-111	Respiratory Survey ‡.....	3
(1) RESPC-171	Respiratory Therapeutics 1 ‡.....	3
(2) RESPC-112	Respiratory Airway Management ‡....	2
(2) RESPC-172	Respiratory Therapeutics 2 ‡.....	3
(2) RESPC-173	Respiratory Pharmacology ‡.....	3
(2) RESPC-174	Respiratory Cardiac Physiology ‡.....	3
(5) RESPC-175	Respiratory Clinical 1 ‡.....	2
(3) RESPC-113	Respiratory Life Support ‡.....	3
(3) RESPC-176	Respiratory Disease ‡.....	3
(3) RESPC-178	Respiratory Clinical 2 ‡.....	3
(3) RESPC-179	Respiratory Clinical 3 ‡.....	3
(3) RESPC-180	Respiratory Neonatal and Pediatric Care ‡.....	2
(4) RESPC-181	Respiratory/Cardio Diagnostics ‡.....	3
(4) RESPC-182	Respiratory Clinical 4 ‡.....	3
(4) RESPC-183	Respiratory Clinical 5 ‡.....	3

GENERAL STUDIES

ECON-195	Economics.....	3
	(or) Any 200-series ECON course	
ENG-151	Communication Skills 1 ‡.....	3
(&) ENG-152	Communication Skills 2 ‡.....	3
	(or) ENG-201‡ and any 200-series ENG or SPEECH course	
NATSCI-177	General Anatomy and Physiology ‡....	4
	(or) NATSCI-201 Anatomy & Physiology 1‡ and NATSCI-202 Anatomy & Physiology 2 ‡	
NATSCI-197	Microbiology ‡.....	4
PSYCH-199	Psychology of Human Relations.....	3
	(or) Any 200-series PSYCH course	
SOCSCI-197	Contemporary American Society.....	3
	(or) Any 200-series SOCSCI or HIST course	
ELECTIVES	(Two credits needed).....	2

TOTAL CREDITS: 70

() Semester order for full-time students.

S = Summer.

‡ Prerequisite required.

Program curriculum requirements are subject to change.

This Associate in Applied Science program will transfer to one or more four-year institutions.

**For complete information, go to
matc.edu/health_sciences**

To apply for financial aid, visit fafsa.gov
School Code: 003866

Possible Careers

- Certified Respiratory Therapist (CRT)
- Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT)

Related Programs

- Anesthesia Technology
- Radiography
- Registered Nursing
- Surgical Technology

**Current MATC students should consult
their Academic Program Plan for specific
curriculum requirements.**

This program is fully accredited by the
Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory
Care (CoARC), 1248 Harwood Road,
Bedford, TX 76021-4244; 817-283-2835;
fax 817-354-8519; www.coarc.com.
Accreditation is based on recommendation
of the Commission on Accreditation for
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