

Respiratory Therapist Admissions

The Respiratory Therapy Degree offers a rewarding career in assessing and rehabilitating patients with diseases and disorders of the heart and lungs. For admission to this program, complete the steps listed on this page. Below is the recommended order:

ITEM	COMPLETED
Apply to the Respiratory Therapy program nwtc.edu/Apply	<input type="checkbox"/>
Submit Transcripts Send high school and college transcripts (if applicable) to transcripts@nwtc.edu	<input type="checkbox"/>
Complete Assessment (If Applicable) The assessment may be waived if your high school or college GPA is 3.0 or higher; or if you have already taken the ACT or Accuplacer. It is important that all transcripts are sent (for review) to determine if the assessment is needed.	<input type="checkbox"/>
By completing the items above this point , you'll be eligible for preprogram status to start general studies coursework at NWTC	
Complete the following courses below for program admission into core coursework: <i>The following items are required to progress through the admissions process to be waitlist eligible and/or to begin core coursework</i>	
Complete Biology (NWTC Catalog #10806177) Biology is waived if you have completed two semesters of high school biology with a C or better or college level biology with a C or better.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Complete Chemistry (NWTC Catalog #10806134) Chemistry is waived if you have completed two semesters of high school chemistry with a C or better or college level chemistry with a C or better.	<input type="checkbox"/>
**The following items are due at program orientation for program accepted students. They are <u>not required</u> for admissions purposes: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Completed American Heart Association BLS Provider CPR course• CPR certification	
**Do not complete the following if you are a pre-program or waitlisted student. These items will need to be completed by program orientation for accepted students only. Please visit nwtc.edu/cbc or email cbc@nwtc.edu for more information: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Caregiver background check• Vaccine records• Functional Abilities Inventory	

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The Respiratory Therapy Program admits a limited number of students each year. Once the cohort reaches full capacity, eligible students will be placed on a waitlist. You will become eligible for the waitlist once all requirements listed on page 1 have been successfully completed. Please be aware that wait times may vary depending on student interest and program availability. In the meantime, we encourage you to complete the following courses:

Course Name (CATALOG NUMBER)	Credits	Pre-requisite	Completed/ Semester
College 101 (10890101)	1		
English Comp 1 (10801136)	3		
General Anatomy & Physiology (10806177) <i>Grade of B or higher</i>	4	Chemistry (10806134)	
Microbiology (10806197) <i>Grade of B or higher</i>	4	General A&P (10806177)	
Oral/Interpersonal Communications (10801196)	3		
Medical Terminology (10501101)	3		
Intro to Psychology (10809198)	3		
Intro to Diversity Studies (10809172)	3		

After your application and all transcripts have been submitted and reviewed, it's important to connect with your academic advisor to discuss appropriate course placement

FAQs

Q. How long is the waitlist?

A. Wait times vary due to fluctuations in student interest. You will be eligible for the waitlist once ALL admissions items are completed. Actual tentative start dates for program core are given each November at the end of the month to students that are waitlist eligible. Please note that wait times can extend to a multi-year timeframe.

Q. What if I have transfer credits?

A. A transfer review is automatically completed AFTER you have applied AND submitted your official transcripts. If you had fewer than 60 college credits at a C or higher, you must also send your high school transcript.

Q. What if I don't have a 3.0 GPA or my scores are not high?

A. It is common for students to take developmental courses to ensure their success at NWTC. Your first step is to apply and send NWTC your transcripts for review. Once your transcripts are processed, you may need additional testing to help determine which courses to start with. We will send communication if additional steps are needed towards determining your course placement.

Q. How flexible is the schedule?

A. Once students begin their core coursework, this program is available only as a full-time, in-person offering during daytime hours. Due to the hands-on nature of the skill training involved, no online options are available.

Q. Accreditation and Program Outcomes:

A. NWTC's Respiratory Therapy program is accredited by the Committee on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC) 1248 Harwood Road Bedford, TX 76021-4244 (817) 283-2835. Graduates are eligible to take the National Board for Respiratory Care Credentialing Examination.