

RESPIRATORY CARE, ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE



Program Admission Criteria

Applicants must meet all College general admission requirements. A criminal background check and drug screen are required for all Respiratory Care students attending clinical courses, or practicum, and may be required prior to admission to the program.

Due to the limited number of clinical spaces, students are admitted on a competitive basis. All candidates must be counseled by the department of Respiratory Care at San Jacinto College Central campus.

In accordance with Texas House Bill 1508, the College informs all students in this program who may have a criminal background that a criminal history could keep graduates from being licensed by the state of Texas. Students with any questions about their background and licensure may speak with the Department Chair.

Before submitting an application, applicants must complete 12 semester credit hours (SCH) as specified below with a grade of at least C in each of those courses.

Code	Title	Credits
BIOL 2301 & BIOL 2101	Anatomy and Physiology I (Lecture) and Anatomy and Physiology I (Lab)	4
BIOL 2302 & BIOL 2102	Anatomy and Physiology II (Lecture) and Anatomy and Physiology II (Lab)	4
Select one of the following:		3
MATH 1314	College Algebra	
MATH 1332	Contemporary Mathematics (Quantitative Reasoning)	
MATH 1342	Elementary Statistical Methods (Statistics)	
Higher level Math		
RSPT 1101	Introduction to Respiratory Care	1

All applicants are required to attend a mandatory information session. The dates and times for the sessions are published on the College's website at <https://sanjac.edu/programs/areas-of-study/health/>

[respiratory-care/admission-info \(https://sanjac.edu/programs/areas-of-study/health/respiratory-care/admission-info/\)](https://sanjac.edu/programs/areas-of-study/health/respiratory-care/admission-info/)

Students must apply for admission to the Respiratory Care program by submitting a formal online application through the Respiratory Care program page (link above). Copies of the student's unofficial transcripts (from all colleges and universities attended) must be uploaded with the online application. Applicants must also complete a background check at www.CastleBranch.com (<http://www.CastleBranch.com>) using the package code sy46bg.

Students who apply for admission to the Respiratory Care program will be ranked based on their scoring on the Respiratory Care Selection Criteria Scoring Rubric. Meeting the minimum requirements for admission does not guarantee admission. The following general education courses are required prior to completion of the program however, completion of these courses prior to application for admission into the program may increase your score on the admissions rubric.

PSYC 2301 General Psychology

ENGL 1301 Composition I

Language, Philosophy and Culture (Humanities), or Creative arts (Fine Arts)

A student currently on academic probation is ineligible to enroll in the Respiratory Care program.

Applicants to the Respiratory Care program will be notified by email regarding their program admission status. Applicants who are not selected for admission to the Respiratory Care program may re-apply. Applicants who are accepted for admission into the Respiratory Care program but who do not enroll must re-apply to be considered for admission at a later date.

After acceptance into the program, all applicants must have a physical examination by a licensed physician, physician's assistant, or nurse practitioner, documentation of updated immunizations, and a drug screening.

Respiratory Care students must earn a grade of C or better in all Respiratory Care (RSPT) courses, science, and mathematics courses and must maintain an overall grade point average of at least 2.0 in order to graduate from the Respiratory Care program. If the student earns a grade of D, W, or F in a Respiratory Care course, the student will be required to repeat the course in which the unsatisfactory grade was earned and pass that course with a grade of C or better in order to progress in the program. A second earned grade of D, W, or F in a Respiratory Care course will result in the student's dismissal from the program. To request re-admission into the program, the student must submit a written petition to the Respiratory Care Admission Committee. If re-admission is granted, the student must satisfy the re-admission criteria specified by the Committee to continue in the program.

All students should take the required academic foundation courses in sequence along with professional course work.

Application Periods

- Jan. 1 through June 1
- Aug. 1 through Nov. 1

Classes begin each fall and spring term. For more information, students may contact the Respiratory Care program at 281-478-3612.

Application packet and other important information: <https://sanjac.edu/programs/areas-of-study/health/respiratory-care/admission-info> (<https://sanjac.edu/programs/areas-of-study/health/respiratory-care/admission-info/>)