

RESPIRATORY CARE
AAS DEGREE

The Respiratory Care program prepares eligible students to provide management of respiratory care to patients seen in hospitals, intensive care units, emergency rooms, and diagnostic laboratories. Instructors educate students in diagnostic, therapeutic, and technologic arts as applied to the adult, neonatal, and pediatric patient. Upon successful completion of the program, students are eligible to take the following certification exams administered by the National Board for Respiratory Care: Certified Respiratory Therapist (CRT) and Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT). Students who earn the Certified Respiratory Therapist (CRT) credential may apply for a Respiratory Care Practitioner license in the State of Illinois. This degree requires a minimum of 64 credits in program requirements and general education in the courses listed below.

Field of Study Code: RESP.AAS.RC

Program Requirements	46
Resp 1101 Basic Respiratory Care.....	3
Resp 1102 Intermediate Respiratory Care.....	3
Resp 1103 Advanced Respiratory Care	3
Resp 1105 Respiratory Assessment and Procedures	4
Resp 1111 Clinical Practice I	2
Resp 1113 Intensive Respiratory Care Clinical Practice.....	1
Resp 1120 Applied Cardiopulmonary Anatomy and Physiology	4
Resp 1121 Science for Respiratory Care	5
Resp 2201 Advanced Life Support, Monitoring and Trends.....	4
Resp 2202 Pulmonary Function Testing.....	3
Resp 2205 Neonatal and Pediatric Intensive Respiratory Care.....	3
Resp 2206 Advanced Intensive Respiratory Care - Adult.....	2
Resp 2207 Advanced Intensive Respiratory Care - Neonatal-Pediatric	1
Resp 2250 Respiratory Care Board Review.....	4
Resp 2280 Advanced Clinical Assessment and Protocol.....	4

General Education **18 to 22**

Physical and Life Sciences – must be Biology (excluding BIOL 1110), Chemistry, or Anatomy and Physiology. Must have B or higher. Mathematics – select any Mathematics 1102 or higher. Must have a B or higher. All other AAS General Education requirements.

Total Credits Required..... **64 to 68**