

New Admissions Policy: Respiratory Care Program

Effective immediately for Fall 2023 admission

Updates have been made to the Program-Specific Admissions Criteria for the Associate of Science in Respiratory Care. Other impacted areas of change include progression in professional courses. All changes are outlined below.

The previously-made change to the Transfer of Credits – Associate Degrees also applies to the Associate of Science in Respiratory Care.

Respiratory Care: Associate of Science

In order to be accepted into the Associate of Science in Respiratory Care program, applicants must meet the Application Requirements for All Programs, the General Admission Criteria for All Programs, and the program-specific criteria and requirements listed below.

Labouré College of Healthcare's Associate of Science in Respiratory Care program has limited capacity. Because this is a limited capacity program, not all applicants who meet the minimum criteria will be offered acceptance to the program. Offers of acceptance will be made to qualified candidates after consideration of both the minimum criteria for admission and the candidate's overall academic history and progress.

The Department of Admissions will extend acceptance offers to qualified candidates until the program has been filled for a particular cohort. Qualified candidates who are not initially offered acceptance will be automatically reviewed for the following cohort.

RSC Program Specific Admission Criteria

Item	Traditional	Accelerated
	Submit ATI Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) scores. The ATI TEAS scores must be from an official testing center and submitted as part of the application. A minimum score in each section of the TEAS is as follows: Reading 69%, Math 63%, English 60% and Science 46% or higher must be achieved to be considered for admission. Students may repeat the ATI TEAS a total of two times within 12 months (365 days) of taking the exam. Results are valid for 3 years from the acceptance term.	
Minimum CGPA (#)	High School/GED/HiSET (no college coursework) – 2.7 Transfer Courses – 2.7	Bachelor's – 2.7 Master's – 3.0 Doctorate – 3.0
Mathematics (#) (*)	High School/GED/HiSET (no college coursework): Two years of math- one must be algebra. Transfer students: one 3-credit college-level algebra.	One 3-credit college-level algebra.
Science (#) (*) (@)	High School/GED/HiSET (no college coursework) One year of laboratory sciences (Life science with lab). Transfer students: one 4-credit college-level life science course with accompanying laboratory.	One 4-credit college-level life science course with accompanying laboratory.

(#) Applicants who earned their high school equivalency without college coursework within 5 years from the acceptance term. Applicants who earned their high school equivalency without college coursework greater than five years from the acceptance term must follow transfer student requirements.

() All courses must have a grade of C+ or higher.*

(@) Science courses taken more than five years prior to desired entry into the program must be repeated.

Transferring or applying to the respiratory care program

Applicants who do not meet the minimum or choose not to take the ATI TEAS score requirements (Reading 69%, Math 63%, English 60%, Science 46%) to enter the RSC program may instead apply to the Pre-Respiratory Care track to prepare for the RSC program. These students may earn admission to the Respiratory Care Program by earning a **CGPA of 2.7** in the following courses:

- CHE 1050 - Introduction to Chemistry – lecture [3 credits]
- ANA 1010 - Anatomy and Physiology I [4 credits]
- ANA 1120 – Anatomy and Physiology II [4 credits]
- MIC 2201 - Microbiology for Healthcare Professionals [4 credits]
- MAT 1020- Math for Health Sciences [3 credits]
- PSY 2010 - Human Growth and Behavior Human/Lifespan Development [3 credits]
- SCI 2065 – Introduction to Epidemiology [3 credits]

To be eligible for admission into the Respiratory Care program, the above courses must be completed at Labouré College of Healthcare.

Students may take the Pre-Respiratory Care Track courses as non-matriculated (not eligible for financial aid) or as matriculated (eligible for financial aid) in the Associate of Science in Health Science at Labouré College of Healthcare (note: students must meet admission requirements for the Health Science program).

Accepted students are required to attend My Academic Plan (MAP) and are required to meet with their assigned academic advisor at least two weeks before beginning their first semester. Students who complete the Pre-Respiratory Care Track are exempt from the MAP requirement.

Progression in professional courses

- Students who receive a failing grade in any professional course will be dismissed from the Respiratory Care program.
- Students who wish to return must meet with an academic advisor and receive an academic plan for readmission to the Associate of Science in Respiratory Care Program.
- Once the academic plan is complete students are eligible to reapply to the program.
- Students who wish to reapply must follow the reapplication and readmission policy.

