

RESPIRATORY CARE | PEOSTA

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Admission Requirements

Placement Assessments.

All students must achieve minimum math, reading and writing levels prior to being accepted. Requirements may be satisfied by high school coursework completed in the past five years, college courses or completing one of the following placement assessments: ACT, ACCUPLACER, ALEKS or SAT. Students should submit their high school or official college transcripts or assessment results to the Admissions Office for consideration of an assessment waiver. The placement assessment must have occurred within three years of your application date. Respiratory Care applicants must meet one of the following minimum requirements for math and reading placement:

- ALEKS® 14 | ACT® 16 | SAT® 430
- Reading ACCUPLACER® 70 | ACCUPLACERNEXTGENERATION® 250 | ACT® 19

Coursework.

Completion of the following coursework is required with a minimum grade of C- or better and must have been successfully completed no more than five years prior to the student's application date. For transfer consideration of the following coursework, submit official college transcripts to the Admissions Office for evaluation.

• Human Anatomy and Physiology I with lab component [BIO:168] Mandatory prerequisite, one year high school biology/chemistry or college equivalent with a minimum grade of C-; or a minimum grade of C- in BIO: 112, BIO: 157, or CHM: 110. Submit your high school transcript to document completion of the prerequisite.

Admission Status

Pending Requirements.

Students with a pending requirements status have submitted an application to the Respiratory Care program but have not completed one or more of the admission requirements outlined above. At the end of each semester, admission staff will review academic coursework and document successful completion of the admission requirements for the program. Students with a pending requirements status are not ranked on the waitlist until all requirements have been satisfied.

Waitlist.

Waitlist students have all the admission requirements completed and are waiting for acceptance into the Respiratory Care program. A waitlist is necessary due to limited capacity for program enrollment. Students are ranked on the waitlist based on the date they complete all admission requirements.

Accepted.

The Respiratory Care program begins in the fall. Students at the top of the waitlist are offered acceptance into the program and are required to respond by the stated deadline to avoid cancellation of their application. A student who refuses an acceptance offer will be placed at the bottom of the waitlist as of the date the Admission Office receives notice of their intent not to enroll.

PROGRAM COSTS	RESPIRATORY CARE
Tuition/Fees (does not include pre-requisite courses)	\$17,781 in-state* \$20,339 out-of-state*
Background Check, Drug Test and Medical Document Manager	\$103
Physical Exam/Immunizations (Varies based on health coverage)	Undetermined
Apparel (estimated)	\$40 - \$150
Certifications and Testing	\$588
Clinical Transportation (Gas and Lodging)	Undetermined
Student Educators Conference	\$163
Software / Trajecsy	\$150
Lab Supplies & Fees	\$111
Books (estimated)	\$1,900
TOTAL	\$20,836-\$20,946 in-state \$23,394-\$23,504 out-of-state

The costs above are provided as a guide to financing your education. The costs provided are estimated at time of publication and do not reflect the exact cost a student may incur.

* Based on the 2024-2025 tuition and fee rates.

Program Requirements

The following requirements must be satisfied within the first semester of the Respiratory Care program at Northeast Iowa Community College (NICC). A student who does not successfully satisfy the program requirements will be placed at the bottom of the waitlist.

Orientation.

Attendance at a mandatory program orientation (usually one week prior to the start of the program). Notice of orientation dates and times will occur after registration into the program courses.

Training.

- Complete the American Heart Association Basic Life Support (BLS) CPR or American Red Cross CPR for the Professional Rescuer certification.
- Mandatory Reporter Child and Dependent Adult Abuse
- NICC HIPAA and Bloodborne Pathogen

Student Health and Background Screening.

- Purchase a CastleBranch package to certify and collect compliance documents required of healthcare professionals.
- Criminal, dependent adult and child abuse background screening
- Physical and immunization records (time sensitive, one year expiration)
- Drug testing
- Provide annual proof of health insurance coverage prior to lab and clinical experiences.
- For more detailed information and instructions visit: nicc.edu/programrequirements

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