

# **Respiratory Therapist** (10-515-1)

# **Shared Program with MATC**

Associate of Applied Science

## **Effective 2019/2020**

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This is a shared program with Milwaukee Area Technical College (MATC).

Learn to evaluate, treat, and care for patients with lung and heart disease. Clinical experiences are gained in a variety of healthcare settings. Program graduates are qualified to sit for the National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC) examinations. This program is fully accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC) through 2022. Successful completion of the program and the NBRC Certified Respiratory Therapist examination provides an opportunity to obtain a license as a Respiratory Care Practitioner granted by the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services. NBRC examinations leading to qualification as a Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT) as well as advanced credentials in pulmonary function (CPFT and RPFT) and perinatal/pediatrics are available. Respiratory therapists administer treatments, recommend therapeutic interventions, operate life support systems, perform CPR and airway management, provide patient education and conduct cardiopulmonary testing. For additional career information, visit www.aarc.org.

## **Program Requirements**

Consult the MATC website for program and admission requirements at <a href="https://www.matc.edu/student/offerings/2018-2019/degrees/respiratory">https://www.matc.edu/student/offerings/2018-2019/degrees/respiratory</a> therapist.cfm.

### **Graduation Requirements**

Consult the MATC website for graduation requirements at <a href="http://www.matc.edu/">http://www.matc.edu/</a>.

# **Program Learning Outcomes**

Graduates will be able to:

- 1. Apply respiratory therapy concepts to patient care situations.
- 2. Demonstrate technical proficiency required to fulfill the role of a Respiratory Therapist.
- 3. Practice respiratory therapy according to established professional and ethical standards

### **Gateway Course Requirements**

Students choosing to start the Respiratory Therapist program at Gateway are able to complete up to 28 credits toward the degree at MATC. All courses will satisfy program requirements in the Respiratory Therapist program under the shared agreement as long as minimum requirements have been met. Consult the MATC website for requirements at <a href="https://www.matc.edu/student/offerings/2018-2019/degrees/respiratory\_therapist.cfm">https://www.matc.edu/student/offerings/2018-2019/degrees/respiratory\_therapist.cfm</a>.

501-101 Medical Terminology	3 cr.	(Prereq: 838-105; see Note 2)
801-136 English Composition 1	3 cr.	(Prereq: 831-103; see Note 2)
801-196 Oral/Interpersonal Comm.	3 cr.	
801-198 Speech	3 cr.	
806-177 Gen. Anatomy & Phys.	4 cr.	
806-197 Microbiology	4 cr.	(Prereq: 806-177 OR 806-105)
809-195 Economics	3 cr.	(Prereq: 838-105; see Note 2)
809-198 Psychology, Intro to	3 cr.	(Prereq: 838-105; see Note 2)
Take 2 elective credits. Any associate of	degree cou	urse may be taken as an elective.

#### Notes

- 1. Students will be admitted to the program and receive financial aid through MATC. To apply, visit https://www.matc.edu/apply/index.cfm.
- 2. A satisfactory placement test score (or successful remediation) is required prior to enrollment. See a Gateway advisor for details.
- 3. Students will complete placement testing at Gateway Technical College prior to enrolling in the above courses. For questions or to establish an appointment, please call 1-800-247-7122.
- 4. Students completing the shared program will receive their degree from Milwaukee Area Technical College.