

# Respiratory Therapy Associate Degree

Associate of Applied Science (AAS)

Application deadline:

**April 1, 2021**

*Or until class is full.*

Program start:

**Fall 2021**

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Name (First and Last)

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SSU ID Number

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Today's Date

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Address

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City

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State

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Zip Code

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Home Phone

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Cell Phone

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Preferred E-mail Address

Return this application form, along with any  
other requested documents in this packet, to:

Shawnee State University  
Office of Admissions  
940 Second Street  
Portsmouth, OH 45662



**SHAWNEE STATE UNIVERSITY  
RESPIRATORY THERAPY PROGRAM**

**Application for Admission and Autobiography Form**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Day (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Evening (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Applying to **enter** program: Fall Semester Year \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION**

In the space below please write an account of: (use another sheet if additional space is needed)

1. Your non-working experiences and activities. (Include community service)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. Work experiences including dates (starting with most recent employment)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. Work or voluntary experiences you have had in a healthcare setting that you have not listed above.  
(Include job shadowing)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. Reasons for selecting the Respiratory Therapy Program as a career at Shawnee State University

## ACCEPTANCE OF RESPONSIBILITIES

I understand that if admitted to the Respiratory Therapy Program I will be responsible for:

1. **Traveling** to a clinical site 50-60 miles away and arriving by as early as 6:00 a.m.
2. **Securing** a reliable source of transportation.
3. **Devoting** up to 12 hours a day to my education, including reading, group study, and clinical preparation.
4. **Spending** up to 25-40 hours a week in the classroom, lab, or hospital setting.
5. **Dealing** with patients of all ages, ethnic, and social backgrounds.
6. **Obtaining** and/or **documenting** completion of Hepatitis B vaccination series.
7. **Keeping** program officials updated with current telephone number, address, and email.
8. **Obtaining** Federal and State background checks and drug screenings when required.  
*PLEASE NOTE: The Director of the Respiratory Therapy Program will notify you when to obtain these at a later date.*
9. **Purchasing** clinical uniforms and supplies.
10. **Maintaining** a professional attitude and behavior throughout the program.

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Signature

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Date

### **Clinical Education Centers**

The Respiratory Therapy Program is affiliated with the following Medical Centers. Students are required to rotate each of the different clinical sites during the program:

Adena Regional Medical Center, Chillicothe, OH

King's Daughters Medical Center, Ashland, KY

St. Mary's Medical Center, Huntington, WV

Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital, Ashland, KY

Pike Community Hospital, Waverly, OH

Southern Ohio Medical Center, Portsmouth, OH

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**MINIMUM CRITERIA** FOR ADMISSION CONSIDERATION

To be considered for admission to the Respiratory Therapy Program, the following items must be received in the Admissions Office by **April 1**:

Application to Shawnee State University  
Respiratory Therapy Application  
Official High School Transcript; or,  
Official GED Score Transcript and Partial H.S. Transcript  
Official College Transcripts, if applicable  
Proof of Algebra, Biology and Chemistry with "C" or above  
ACT Score with "18" in Science Reasoning and comprehensive scores  
Overall GPA of 2.0 or greater

***Please note that meeting the minimum criteria for admission consideration does not guarantee admittance into the Respiratory Therapy Program. All candidates meeting the minimum criteria for admission consideration are subsequently ranked and only a selected number are admitted due to clinical site limitations. In most years the number of applicants meeting the minimum criteria far exceeds the numbers of seats available. As a result, the qualifications of those students admitted are much higher than the minimum requirements for admission consideration.***

To further explain these requirements, please read the following information completely. If you have questions regarding these requirements, please contact the Health Sciences Representative, at (740) 351-3209.

1. You must first submit an application to Shawnee State University, then the Respiratory Therapy Application.
2. Students should request official copies of both high school and college transcripts be sent to the Office of Admission at Shawnee State University. Transcripts should be sent to Shawnee State, after application has been made, in order to avoid confusion. If the transcript was under a different name, please request your current name and/or social security number be included. Transcripts sent under other names may not be traceable and may not be credited to your file.

**High School transcripts** can be submitted by the following methods:

- a. Mailed directly from the high school; or,
- b. Hand carried in an envelope with the high school guidance counselor or high school official's signature across envelope seal; or,
- c. Sent via FAX from the high school.

**Previous College/University Transcripts:** Official transcripts must be mailed directly from the college/university. Hand-carried or faxed copies will not be accepted as official transcripts. The University reserves the right to verify the final, official authenticity of any student's transcript. Any transcript document found to be fraudulent becomes the student's responsibility and the University reserves the right to withdraw admission acknowledgment and/or approval of acceptance.

3. ALL applicants to the Respiratory Therapy Program must have completed high school or college level **Algebra, Biology and Chemistry** with a grade of "C" or above by **April 1** to be considered for admission. (NOTE: A "C-" is not accepted and Pre-Algebra is not accepted.) The only exception is that if you are currently a senior in high school and are currently enrolled in one of these classes, you must have your counselor send us a transcript at the end of the first semester, showing your current grade average in the course.

If you are submitting a 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade junior high algebra class grade to meet a requirement, it will not be reflected on your partial high school transcript. Therefore, you **MUST** do the following for the course to be considered:

- a. Request that your guidance counselor submit the relevant, official grade transcript/report which lists the class, and
- b. Do **NOT** assume that the course (even though titled Algebra) will meet the math requirement. Request your guidance counselor submit a detailed course description of the class including the specific proficiencies contained in the class.

4. All applicants must have completed the ACT test with a minimum score of "18" in the Science Reasoning area (or if taken before October, 1989, a "16" in Science Reasoning or Natural Sciences).
5. Applicants must be eligible to enter MATH 1200 and ENGL 1101S as the program curriculum describes. Therefore, students should take Shawnee State's mathematics and English placement tests as early as possible.
6. All applicants will be notified in writing when the above criteria have been met and the file forwarded to the department for consideration. **IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED THIS CARD, YOUR FILE IS NOT COMPLETE.** It is your responsibility to make sure all requirements are submitted before the deadline.
7. Applicants can schedule a meeting with the Program Leader for information. Questions may be directed to and meetings scheduled with Amy France, Program Leader by calling (740) 351-3240 or the Health Science Representative at (740) 351-3209.
8. Final decisions regarding admission to the Respiratory Therapy Program will be made using an objective, point ranking, system. Factors included in this ranking system include the following:
  - a. Grade received in algebra, biology, and chemistry;
  - b. Level of algebra, biology, and chemistry taken by the student (i.e. high school, college remedial, or college);
  - c. ACT Science Reasoning and Comprehensive scores; and,
  - d. Number of college credit hours completed with a "C" or higher;
  - e. Overall GPA of 2.0 or greater.
9. Students will be notified of admission status with the Respiratory Therapy Program. Those admissions will be in one of the following categories:
  - a. **Full Admit** - These applicants have been admitted to the Respiratory Therapy Program and are included in the class for the following Fall Semester;
  - b. **Alternate** - These applicants will be considered for positions in the class beginning the following Fall Semester if positions become available (Applicants in this category, if a position does not become available, may work to improve their applicant status [point ranking] and apply the following year. It is strongly recommended that these applicants contact the Chair of the Respiratory Therapy Program to determine how to improve their status for the following year.); or,
  - c. **Non-admit** - These applicants may reapply to the Respiratory Therapy Program for the following year and will be considered as though they are a new applicant (These applicants should work to improve their applicant status [point ranking] if they plan to apply the following year. It is strongly recommended that these applicants contact the Chair of the Respiratory Therapy Program to determine how to improve their status for the following year.).
10. First consideration for admission will be given to those admitted and alternate students, who meet the application criteria and submit all necessary application materials prior to **April 1**. Anyone applying after **April 1** will be ranked and admitted to the Program based on his or her ranking and the availability of positions.
11. It is important to note that the Respiratory Therapy Program **does not maintain a waiting list** and that each year applicants are given an equal opportunity to compete for positions in the Program.

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	<u>CLASS HOURS</u>	<u>LAB HOURS</u>	<u>CREDIT HOURS</u>
<u>Fall Semester:</u>			
AHNR 1102 - Medical Terminology	2	0	2
BIOL 1130 - Anatomy & Physiology 1	4	0	4
MATH 1200 - College Algebra	3	0	3
RPTT 1110 - Cardiopulmonary/Renal Anatomy & Physiology	4	0	4
RPTT 1111 - Intro to Respiratory Therapy	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>
<b><u>Totals</u></b>	16	3	17
<u>Spring Semester:</u>			
BIOL 1131 – Anatomy & Physiology 2	4	0	4
RPTT 1220 - Respiratory Procedures 1	3	3	4
RPTT 1221 - Respiratory Procedures 2	2	0	2
RPTT 1223 - Pathophysiology	3	0	3
RPTT 1290 - Clinical Application 1	<u>0</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>
<b><u>Totals</u></b>	12	7	14
<u>Summer Semester:</u>			
BIOL 3750 - Microbiology	4	0	4
RPTT 1330 - Pediatric & Neonatal Respiratory Care	2	3	3
RPTT 1332 - Cardiopulmonary Diagnostics	2	3	3
RPTT 1390 - Clinical Application 2	<u>0</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>4</u>
<b><u>Totals</u></b>	8	22	14
<u>Fall Semester:</u>			
ENGL 1102 – English 1	3	0	3
RPTT 2110 - Continuous Mechanical Ventilation	3	3	4
RPTT 2190 - Clinical Application 3	0	16	4
XXXX <sup>1</sup> - General Studies Elective 1	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>
<b><u>Totals</u></b>	9	19	14
<u>Spring Semester:</u>			
ENGL 1105 – English 2	3	0	3
RPTT 2220 - Respiratory Procedures 3	3	3	4
RPTT 2290 - Clinical Application 4	0	16	4
RPTT 2999 - Special Topics in Respiratory Therapy	1	0	1
XXXX <sup>1</sup> - General Studies Elective 2	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>
<b><u>Totals</u></b>	10	19	15

<sup>1</sup> General Studies Electives must be Humanities or Social Sciences courses approved by the Program Leader and may include, but are not limited to, courses of study in the following areas: Anthropology, English, Philosophy, Psychology and/or Sociology.

**Shawnee State University**  
**Respiratory Therapy Program**  
**Student Shadowing Form**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Prospective student's name (please print):

\_\_\_\_\_

Medical Center at which student is shadowing (please print):

\_\_\_\_\_

Time spent at the hospital for the shadowing experience:

\_\_\_\_\_

By my signature, I declare the student listed above has participated in a shadowing experience, under my supervision, at the facility listed above:

Signature of Therapist \_\_\_\_\_

Therapist phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of student \_\_\_\_\_

There are no mandatory, minimum amount of time required for shadowing.  
Schedule is dependent upon available time at the shadowing site.

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