

**School of Health Sciences
Respiratory Therapy - Associate of Applied Science
Admission Criteria for Fall 2024**



Applicants are selected on a merit based, competitive admission process. Application does not guarantee admission. See the [Health Sciences Admissions website](#) for current application information.

SLCC ADMISSION PROCESS

1. [Apply to SLCC](#) as a degree seeking student & declare Health Sciences as your Area of Study, & Respiratory Therapy as the Program of Study. Due to the selective admission process, you will be placed in a holding degree and declared as a Pre-Health Sciences-AS student.
2. Verification of high school graduation or equivalent (GED) will be required before the Respiratory Therapy admissions deadline. Send official high school transcripts to HighSchoolTranscripts@slcc.edu.
3. For transfer credit, complete all the required steps in the [SLCC Transfer Evaluation process](#). Be sure to submit transcripts for ALL colleges and universities where prerequisite coursework has been completed. *This process may take 4-6 weeks and must be completed before a student's application will be considered.*
4. Complete [SLCC Placement Process](#) or submit current SAT/ACT test scores if MATH and ENGL course work have not been transferred to SLCC.
5. Schedule appointment with the [Respiratory Therapy Academic Advisor online](#) or call 801-957-6215. Students are encouraged to meet regularly with the Respiratory Therapy advisor.
6. ALL communication will be through SLCC BruinMail.

RESPIRATORY THERAPY PROGRAM ADMISSION PROCESS

1. Prerequisite Courses

The following program prerequisite courses require a minimum grade of **C or better**. BIOL 2320/2325, BIOL 2420/2425 & CHEM 1110 must be completed within **seven years prior to application** to the program:

COURSE	TITLE	CREDITS	Prerequisites to Courses
ENGL 1010 or any (EN)	Intro to Writing	3	ENGL 0990 w/ C grade or better OR appropriate placement score. Students are encouraged to learn/use APA referencing in ENGL 1010.
MATH 1010 or Any (QL)	Intermediate Algebra	4	ENGL 0990 w/C grade; AND MATH 0990 w/C grade or appropriate placement score within 1 year.
RESP 1010	Intro. to Respiratory Therapy	2	
*BIOL 2320 BIOL 2325	Human Anatomy Human Anatomy Lab	4 0	BIOL 1610/1615 w/ C grade or better.
CHEM 1110	Elementary Chemistry	4	MATH 1010, 1030, 1040, 1045 or placement into MATH 1050 or higher
*BIOL 2420 BIOL 2425	Human Physiology Human Physiology Lab	3 1	BIOL 1610/1615 w/ C grade or better, and CHEM 1110 with a grade of C or better.

***NOTE:** If you are taking Human Anatomy and/or Human Physiology at SLCC, you must first take BIOL 1610/1615 w/C grade or better. CHEM 1110 is also a prerequisite course to Human Physiology at SLCC and must be completed with a C grade or better. Students transferring in with Human Physiology completed within the past seven years, CHEM 1010 can substitute for CHEM 1110.

2. Required Support Courses

The following courses are **not** required for application but **are required for graduation** and must be completed with a grade of **C or better**. Students who have not completed these courses prior to acceptance may complete them during the planned scheduled semester of the program.

COURSE	TITLE	CREDITS	Prerequisites to Courses
COMM 1010 or COMM 1020 or COMM 2110	Elem of Effective Comm (CM) Public Speaking (CM) Interpersonal Comm (CM)	3 3 3	
HS 2050	Cultural, Legal and Ethical Issues in Health Care (HR)	3	
PSY 1010	General Psychology (SS)	3	

3. Situational Judgement Test (SJT)

Applicants may be required to complete A Situational Judgement Test (SJT) after the admissions session has closed. The SJT is a proctored online assessment that must be completed within a designated time frame to be eligible to move forward for admissions consideration. Notifications will go out to those eligible to participate within 10 days of the admissions session closing.

4. Preferred But Not Required

Applicants who submit documentation showing the following may be given extra consideration for the program if they have fulfilled all the program application requirements.

- **Graduated from an AHEC program or completed a MA or CNA certification within the last five years** – Must submit certification.
- **Community Engagement** – Applicants that have demonstrated a willingness to serve others through volunteer community engagement with receive additional consideration on their application. Community engagement can be volunteering at food banks, homeless shelters, emergency assistance programs, neighborhood cleanup programs, etc.

Community Engagement Criteria:

- Engagement should have occurred within the last five years and since high school graduation
- Must be performed within the state of Utah
- Continual experiences encouraged
- Must be served without payment or reward
- Service engagement with underserved groups or populations is encouraged
- Only one experience will be considered for the application
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Submit a letter of recommendation from the mentor that supervised community engagement to healthsciencesadmissions@slcc.edu. The letter should discuss type of service, length of time committed to serving and where service was performed.

Documentation must be submitted to the Health Sciences Admissions Office within five business days of submitting your application. You may email your documentation to healthsciencesadmissions@slcc.edu, or drop it off in person at the Jordan Campus at 3491 W Wights Fort Rd, JHS 065, West Jordan UT.

5. Apply Online

Log in to your MySLCC portal > Click on the blue “Discover More” button (Found at the bottom of your portal) > Search for the “Selective Admissions Forms” card > Click on the “Health Science Program Admissions” link. Respiratory Therapy online application will only appear on the menu during open application periods. There is a non-refundable application fee of \$25. Up to **25** students are accepted every fall semester.

Respiratory Therapy Program Important Dates	
*Applications Accepted January 15 th through May 15 th	
Notification of Acceptance/Denial June	
Orientation Information will be sent via "Full Acceptance" letter	
Classes Begin August	
*The School of Health Sciences may reopen the application after the established deadline if it is in the best interest of the program to do so. Please check: http://www.slcc.edu/hs/admissions/ regularly to see if the application has been reopened. All application requirements will still need to be fulfilled for an application to be considered. Applicants that apply by the original application deadlines will take priority.	

POTENTIAL FIRST SEMESTER PREREQUISITE SCHEDULE: Based on Math & English placement and full-time enrollment			
OPTION A:		OPTION B: If placed into Math 1010/1040	
MATH 1045 Intro to Statistics w/Integrated Algebra	4	MATH 1040 Intro to Statistics or MATH 1010 Intermediate Algebra	3-4
ENGL 1010 Intro to Writing	3	ENGL 1010 Intro to Writing	3
RESP 1010 Intro to Respiratory Therapy	2	RESP 1010 Intro to Respiratory Therapy	2
COMM 1010 Elements of Effective Communication or COMM 2110 Interpersonal Communication	3	BIOL 1610/1615 College Biology & Lab	4
Total	12	Total	12-13

NOTE: Sample schedule does not replace professional academic advising, individual needs may differ. Students should meet with their assigned program advisor on a regular basis.

AFTER PROGRAM ACCEPTANCE

Acceptance into the program will be given on a "Conditional" basis. Students must complete the following within the allotted time indicated in their "Conditional Acceptance" email letter (about 30 days) to receive "Full Acceptance". **If students do not complete these requirements, they will forfeit their spot.** Once "Full Acceptance" is granted, students can register for Dental Hygiene classes.

1. **American DataBank Complio:** Students are required to create an American DataBank Complio account to order their background check, submit necessary documentation, and meet immunization compliance requirements. Create an account by going to: <https://saltlakecc.complio.com/>

If you have any problems setting up the account or questions on submitting information, please contact the Customer Service Department for American DataBank Complio. Phone: 1-800-200-0853 (7am-6pm MT Monday – Friday) OR email: complio@americandatabank.com.

2. **Immunizations:** *Required by clinical affiliates.* Order "Immunization Compliance Package" from American DataBank Complio, \$16.
 - a. If accepted into the program, this subscription will need to be renewed every 12 months while in the program for \$16.
 - b. For specific information, please see the "After You're Accepted Into The Program" section under the desired program on the [Health Sciences Admissions website](#).

- c. Immunization requirements are subject to change, therefore check the website often and far enough in advance to be able to accommodate deadlines. For questions on immunizations, please contact 801-957-6253 or healthsciencesadmissions@slcc.edu.
- d. Required immunizations officially documented and uploaded into American DataBank Compio:
 - i. Annual Influenza Vaccination
 - ii. Annual Tuberculosis (See HS website)
 - iii. Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis (Tdap)
 - iv. Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)
 - v. Varicella (Chicken Pox)
 - vi. Hepatitis B (Series and titer may take up to 1 year, so start well in advance)
 - vii. Hepatitis A vaccination series (highly recommended but not required)
 - viii. COVID (See HS website)

3. **Background Check:** Order “Criminal Background Check Package” through American Databank Compio, \$29
 - a. Students assume the risk if their criminal background check is not clear. If students do not pass the background check, they may not be accepted into the program. This may result in withdrawal from the program after the tuition refund deadline has passed. The clinical site will make the final determination about accepting students for clinical placement. If you do not receive a favorable background check, contact the Health Sciences Admissions Coordinator immediately.
 - b. It is **strongly** recommended that prospective students take measures to have criminal offenses [expunged](#) or sealed from their record. Students can review [Criminal History Guidelines on DOPL’s website](#). Students are advised to contact the [Health Sciences Admissions Coordinator](#) with any questions or concerns prior to applying to the program.
4. **CPR Certification:** Documentation uploaded into American DataBank Compio account
 - a. Current [American Heart Association BLS Healthcare Provider](#) (CPR) certification. American Red Cross will **NOT** be accepted. BLS (CPR) Certification may be obtained at any certified provider. **Students will need to ensure their BLS (CPR) certification is current throughout the program.**
5. **Drug Screening:** Order “Drug Screening Package” through American DataBank Compio, \$35

Please **do not** initiate any of the compliance tasks unless you have received a conditional acceptance letter.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

PROGRAM SCHEDULE			
Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
RESP 1300 Cardiopulmonary Structure and Function	3	RESP 1400 Cardiopulmonary Pathophysiology	3
RESP 1310 Respiratory Physical Assessment	1	RESP 1420 Adult Mechanical Ventilation	2
RESP 1320 Respiratory Therapy Pharmacology	3	RESP 1430 Respiratory Therapy Modalities II	2
RESP 1330 Respiratory therapy Modalities I	2	RESP 1440 Respiratory Therapy Clinical I	5
COMM 1010, 1020 or 2110	3		
Total	12	Total	12
Summer Semester		Fall Semester	
RESP 2100 Perinatal and Pediatric Respiratory Therapy	2	RESP 2210 Advanced Cardiopulmonary Pathophysiology	2
RESP 2130 Respiratory Therapy Modalities III	3	RESP 2220 Application of Respiratory Therapy	2
RESP 2140 Respiratory Therapy Clinical II	6	RESP 2240 Respiratory Therapy Clinical III	5
HS 2050 Cultural, Legal, and Ethical Issues in Health Care	3	PSY 1010 General Psychology	3
Total	14	Total	12

Program Hours

The program is a daytime program with classes typically taught morning through afternoon. Clinical Practice hours in the 2nd, 3rd and 4th semesters will be scheduled during different days and times (may include nights and/or weekends and will be determined by the clinical setting). Once accepted and enrolled into the Respiratory Therapy program, students are required to maintain a grade of B- in all Respiratory Therapy courses. If a student does not meet the minimum grade requirements the student will be given the opportunity to retake the course one time. Failure to meet the minimum grade requirement in either didactic or clinical will require a repeat of both courses concurrently. Courses are only offered once per year, so failure to achieve a B- (80%) in any course will require a change in cohort. If a student is dismissed from the program and wishes to return, they will need to reapply to the Respiratory Therapy program. Attendance in class and clinical is mandatory.

National Exam

Upon successful completion of the core program, the graduate will be eligible to take the National Board for Respiratory Care Entry- Level Respiratory Care Practitioner Examination to become a Certified Respiratory Therapist, and the Advanced Level Respiratory Care Practitioner Examination to become a Registered Respiratory Therapist.

Accreditation

The Respiratory Therapy Program, 200630, Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree, Salt Lake Community College, Jordan Campus holds provisional accreditation from the [Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care \(CoARC\)](#).

The Commission on Accreditation for
Respiratory Care 1248 Harwood Road,
Bedford, Texas 76021-4244

Office: 817-283-2835,

Website: coarc.com


For more information, please contact

Academic Advisor Respiratory Therapy Advisor or call: 801-957-6215 3491 W. Wights Fort Road West Jordan, UT 84088 Jordan Student Center 203	Health Sciences Admissions Office Office: (801) 957-6253 Fax: (801) 957-6324 3491 W. Wights Fort Road, West Jordan, UT 84088 Jordan Health Sciences Center 065 http://www.slcc.edu/hs/admissions/index.aspx healthsciencesadmissions@slcc.edu
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Helpful Websites

[Respiratory Therapy Program Main Page](#)

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