



Respiratory Care Technology

Help others breathe easier! Learn the technical skills of using respiratory equipment, administering treatments, and monitoring a person's breathing. Respiratory Care is a particularly rewarding career if you enjoy helping others.

At McLennan, you can become trained as a respiratory therapist in only two years. You'll earn an associate degree and be prepared to take the national certification exam to become a Certified Respiratory Therapist and Registered Respiratory Therapist. Respiratory care is one of the best-paying fields for those with associate degrees. The median salary in 2017 was \$59,710, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

What You'll Learn

- Anatomy and Physiology
- Respiratory Diseases
- Patient Assessment
- Procedures and Diagnostics
- Respiratory Equipment
- Administering Medication

What You'll Get

- Classroom, laboratory, and clinical experience
- Hands-on training in a state-of-the-art lab to simulate realistic experiences
- Multiple clinical rotations
- Instructors who have almost 50 years of combined experience in the field and who are dedicated to your success
- An accredited program that has trained many of the respiratory care technicians in Central Texas

Admission Requirements

Applications must be completed and turned in by Oct. 30 for the following spring semester. Admission is competitive, and meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee admission to the program.

- Completed McLennan Community College application
- Completed Respiratory Care Technology application
- Submit college transcripts from other institutions
- Completion of or enrollment in prerequisite courses with at least a C grade and an overall GPA of 2.75 in the prerequisite courses
- Ranking of applicant according to admission criteria, which can be obtained from the program director





Enjoy the satisfaction of helping others breathe easier.

Clinical Experiences

You'll get a chance to earn valuable experience in a true respiratory care setting by completing more than 1,200 hours of clinical practicums. You'll transfer your skills developed in McLennan's respiratory simulation lab to a hospital setting to work with advanced equipment and real patients.

Combined with your classroom instruction, these clinical experiences will prepare you to have the knowledge, skills, and professional behavior you'll need to be successful on the job.

Financial Aid

If you are interested in applying for financial aid, please complete the FAFSA at www.fafsa.gov. For more information about financial aid, go to www.mclennan.edu/fin-aid or call Highlander Central at 254-299-8622.

Learn More

To find out more about the Health Professions Pathway, visit www.mclennan.edu/pathways/health-professions

To find out more about respiratory care technology at McLennan, visit www.mclennan.edu/health-professions/respiratory-care-technology

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La falta de conocimiento del idioma inglés no será un impedimento para la admisión y participación en programas de educación técnica y profesional.

For students in this course who may have a criminal background, please be advised that the background could keep you from being licensed by the State of Texas. If you have a question about your background and licensure, please speak with your faculty member or the department chair. You also have the right to request a criminal history evaluation letter from the applicable licensing agency.

**For more
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