

# Respiratory Care Program Information Packet

Academic Year 2026–2027



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## Program Overview

The Respiratory Care Program at Victoria College offers a two-year Associate of Applied Science degree. Graduates are prepared to work under physician supervision to evaluate, treat, and care for patients with breathing disorders. The program emphasizes competence in cognitive, psychomotor, and affective domains of respiratory care practice.

Accreditation: Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC) through November 2027.

## Program Goal

Our program goal is to prepare graduates with demonstrated competence in the cognitive [knowledge], psychomotor [skills], and affective [behavior] learning domains of respiratory care practice as performed by registered respiratory therapists.

## Program Highlights

- Annual application deadline: May 1st for Fall admission
- Accredited by CoARC (#200372)
- Career opportunities in hospitals, clinics, and specialty care
- Average salary range: \$55,000–\$70,000 (regional estimate)
- High demand profession with multiple advancement pathways

## Program Faculty

The program is under the direction of Ceci Oldmixon M.A.Ed., RRT, CPFT, RCP and clinical direction of JJ Valdez, MSRC; RRT- ACCS, RCP. If you would like more information regarding becoming a registered respiratory therapist, you can visit the national profession's association website at: [www.aarc.org](http://www.aarc.org), [www.moreerts.com](http://www.moreerts.com) or you can make an appointment with Professor Oldmixon by email: [Ceci.Oldmixon@VictoriaCollege.edu](mailto:Ceci.Oldmixon@VictoriaCollege.edu) or phone: 361-572-6460.

## Steps to learn more

For Future Respiratory Students who are considering the program, it is recommended to apply promptly for consideration for the class selection. Students should apply as soon as they are interested in the program.

- Log on to the Victoria College Website, click on Programs & Courses.
- Click on Health Careers, scroll down
- Click on Respiratory Care.
- Scroll down the page until you see "What is required to enter the program?"
- Click on the "Department Application" once it opens you will enter your information.
- Once submitted, Tracy Edwards, the Administrative Assistant, will be in contact with you.
- Future Respiratory Students who are considering the program are strongly encouraged to schedule an intake meeting with Professor Oldmixon to discuss the intake process. For full admission requirements visit the Victoria College website – Programs & Courses – Health Careers – Respiratory Care Program.

Students may contact the Administrative Assistant Tracy Edwards for scheduling, Intake meetings, submissions of paperwork etc. Office Number: 361-572-6426

Email: [Tracy.Edwards@VictoriaCollege.edu](mailto:Tracy.Edwards@VictoriaCollege.edu)

# Admissions Requirements

- Victoria College general admission application
- Respiratory Care Program application by May 1st
- Three letters of recommendation
- One-page essay explaining Why you want to be a Respiratory Therapist?
- Interview with Program Chair and Clinical Coordinator
- TSI completion and GPA  $\geq 2.25$
- Completion of prerequisite courses with grade C or better
  - EDUC 1301 if applicants do not have at least 15 credits, plus
  - ENGL 2311 Technical & Business Writing
  - PSYC 2301 General Psychology OR SOCI 1301 Introduction to Sociology
  - BIOL 2404 Intro to Anatomy & Physiology OR BIOL 2401 & BIOL 2402
  - Mathematics – Select 1 course from VC Core Curriculum
  - Creative arts – Select 1 course from VC Core Curriculum
- Clear criminal background check and drug screening
- Current CPR Healthcare Provider certification (recommend taking in June)
- Physical examination (by May 1 deadline)
- Required immunizations (must be complete before August 1)
- Shadowing a respiratory therapist. Contact Citizens Medical Center Cardiopulmonary Department to arrange job shadowing. Once it is completed, the applicant will submit a summary essay on the experience, self-reflection of your ability to handle the expectations, and highlight any observed attributes and values demonstrated by the respiratory therapist.

## Respiratory Care Program

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### Admissions Requirements

Applicants must meet special entrance requirements and complete a department application. Applicants can submit a department application at any time. For more information about the program and course schedule assistance, contact the Program Chair. Additional information may be found at [www.VictoriaCollege.edu/RespiratoryCare](http://www.VictoriaCollege.edu/RespiratoryCare).

1. The student must meet the admission requirements for Victoria College as stated in the current college catalog. Contact the Admissions & Records Office. Applicants must have a high school diploma or GED.
2. Complete general admission application as required by the Admissions & Records Office.
3. Complete the Respiratory Care Program application by **May 1<sup>st</sup>** for fall admission. Three letters of recommendation must be included with application. They can be from faculty, key center peers, or current employers.
4. Interview with Program Chair is required. Applicants will be selected for the program based on compliance with all requirements, interview performance, and reference letters and/or conversations held during the reference inquiry.
5. Submit a one-page typed/written essay as to why the applicant should be considered for acceptance into the Respiratory Care Program.
6. It is the responsibility of the applicant to furnish all necessary documentation to the Respiratory Care Department by **May 1<sup>st</sup>** for fall admission. Late Applicants are considered if spaces are available.
7. TSI (Texas Success Initiative) must be satisfied. Contact Advising, & Counseling Services for further explanation if necessary.
8. Overall GPA of 2.25 or above on all college hours attempted. Students with less than a 2.25 GPA will be evaluated on an individual basis.
9. The following courses **must** be completed with a grade of C or better prior to enrolling in the program
  - ENGL 2311 Technical & Business Writing
  - PSYC 2301 General Psychology or SOCI 1301 Introduction to Sociology
  - BIOL 2404 Intro to Anatomy & Physiology or BIOL 2401 and BIOL 2402
  - Mathematics – Select 1 course from the Victoria College Core Curriculum
  - Creative Arts – Select 1 course from the Victoria College Core Curriculum
10. A minimum grade of C is required in all respiratory care and general education courses.
11. Official high school and college transcripts must be on file in the Admissions & Records Office and Respiratory Care Department.
12. Transfer students will be accepted on an individual basis. Transfer students must meet with the Chair for complete requirements.
13. Previous respiratory care students who received a certificate from Victoria College and are currently registered therapists may receive equivalency credit toward an AAS degree. See Program Chair for specific procedure.
14. Science courses taken more than five years ago will be evaluated on an individual basis and may have to be repeated.
15. Clear criminal background check and drug testing are required prior to admission.
16. Prior to enrollment, qualified applicants who have been accepted into the Respiratory Care Program must submit a current CPR Health Care Provider card, a completed physical examination form, and must meet the program immunization requirements:
  - A. Two-step TB skin test
  - B. Tetanus-diphtheria toxoid (Td) within the last 10 years
  - C. Measles/Mumps/Rubella vaccination/s
  - D. Varicella vaccination/s or proof of disease
  - E. Three-injection hepatitis B vaccination series or serologic confirmation of immunity to hepatitis B virus

## Victoria College Core Curriculum Courses

Core Component	Core#	Course Selection		Minimum Hours Required
COMMUNICATION	010	Select 1	ENGL 1301, 2311	6
		Select 1	ENGL 1302, 2311	
MATHEMATICS	020	Select 1	MATH 1314, 1316, 1324, 1332, 1342, 2312, 2412, 2413	3*
LIFE AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES	030	Select 2	BIOL 1322, 1406, 1407, 1408, 1409, 2306, 2404, 2420; CHEM 1406, 1411, 1412; ENVR 1301, GEOL 1303, 1305, 1345, 1347, 1401, 1402, 1403, 1404; PHYS 1303, 1304, 1310, 1315, 1401, 1402, 1403, 1404, 2425, 2426	6*
LANGUAGE, PHILOSOPHY AND CULTURE	040	Select 1	ENGL 2322, 2323, 2327, 2328; PHIL 1301	3
CREATIVE ARTS	050	Select 1	ARTS 1301, 1303, 1304; DRAM 1310; MUSI 1306, 1307, 1310	3
AMERICAN HISTORY	060	Select 2	HIST 1301, 1302, 2301, 2327, 2328	6
GOVERNMENT/POLITICAL SCIENCE	070	Select 2	GOVT 2305, 2306	6
SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES	080	Select 1	ECON 2301, 2302; GEOG 1303; PSYC 2301; SOCI 1301	3
COMPONENT AREA OPTION	090	Select 6 SCH	Any course listed above except ENGL 1301, GOVT 2305, and GOVT2306. BCIS 1305 (3) or COSC 1301 (3); EDUC 1300 (3); SPCH 1311 (3), 1315 (3), 1318 (3), or 1321 (3); MATH 1325 (3) or 2413 (3); PCYC 2319 (3) or PCYC 2320 (3) *OTHER HOURS - BIOL <del>1322</del> (1), 1406 (1), 1407 (1), 1408 (1), 1409 (1), 2404 (1), 2420 (1); CHEM 1406 (1), 1411 (1), 1412 (1); GEOL 1401 (1), 1402 (1), 1403 (1), 1404 (1); MATH 2413 (1); PHIL <del>1301</del> (1); PHYS 1401 (1), 1402 (1), 2425 (1), 2426 (1)	6

- Additional hours fall to Component Area Option or will fulfill degree requirements.
- Associate of Arts Interdisciplinary Studies Degree - completion of two science courses with at least one course being a lab science course (may be used to satisfy core requirements).
- .. Associate of Science Interdisciplinary Studies Degree - completion of two lab science courses (may be used to satisfy core requirements).

## Applicant Checklist

- Submit Victoria College application
- Submit Respiratory Care Program application
- Provide transcripts
- Complete prerequisite courses
- Schedule intake meeting
- Prepare letters of recommendation and essay
- Complete an interview and skills assessment. (held after finals in the spring semester)
- Complete background check and drug screen (must be completed within 6 months of entry into the program and must remain clear for the duration of the program)
- Upload immunization records to Health Portal
- Complete the program onboarding course
- Complete the 3-day on campus orientation

## Technical Standards

- Lift at least 25 pounds
- Perform multiple motor tasks simultaneously
- Prolonged or frequent walking, standing, reaching, stooping, bending, kneeling or crouching
- Fine and gross motor skills for equipment handling
- Tactile ability sufficient to assess patient's response to therapy – steady arm and hand movement while manipulating objects or assisting patients.
- Visual acuity for patient and equipment monitoring
  - Near acuity to see clearly at 20 inches or less
  - Far acuity to see clearly at 20 feet or more
  - Field of vision to see peripherally
  - Depth perception to judge distance
  - Color vision to distinguish and identify different colors
- Hearing ability for patient and staff communication without seeing lips, hear faint body sounds, hearing auditory alarms

## Statement of Nondiscrimination

Victoria College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, pregnancy, age, disability, genetic information, marital status, amnesty, veteran's status, or limited English proficiency. It is our policy to comply, fully, with the nondiscrimination provision of all state and federal rules and regulations. Revised: 03/17/15

## Frequently Asked Questions

### How many students are accepted?

Up to 20 students per Fall cohort.

### How do students begin the application process?

First step is to ensure general admission to the College at [www.applytexas.org](http://www.applytexas.org)

Complete the program application at [www.victoriacollege.edu/healthcareers](http://www.victoriacollege.edu/healthcareers) select Respiratory Care

Step up an intake meeting with the Director to discuss program specifics and your educational journey.

## What immunizations are required?

Immunizations must be current. This includes the DT/DPT first series and DT (diphtheria, tetanus) booster within the last 10 years, and MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) for students born after January 1, 1957.

If born before January 1, 1957, you must have a Rubella titer that shows immunity OR receive one dose of the MMR vaccine.

- TB test {2-step TB step}, Tdap [within the last 10 years], MMR, Varicella, Hepatitis B, Meningitis, Flu.

The TB test is a 2-step step regardless of if the student has an annual TB test. Students will be required to complete the 2-step test which entails getting a TB test and have it read then within 7-21 days, complete another test and have it read.

If the TB test is positive or you are allergic to the testing material, you will have to provide an annual clear chest x-ray report.

- Annual renewal of the TB is required while in the program.
- MMR – 2 vaccination or a positive antibody titer. If titer is negative, applicant will need a booster vaccination and a second titer.
- Varicella vaccination – 2 vaccination or a positive antibody titer.
- Hepatitis B vaccination series (3-injections takes 6 months) MUST be completed by August 15 for enrollment into the program.
- Meningitis vaccination (must be on-file with the College)
- Current flu vaccination – not required until the current flu season in October

## Will the applicant need a CPR certification?

Yes, student must have a valid 'healthcare provider' BLS certification from the American Heart Association. No other certification will be accepted. Students must maintain this certification for the duration of the program. Students must submit this by the August 1 deadline.

## Is financial aid available?

Yes, including scholarships and WIOA program assistance. Yes, the degree plan is credit based, and standard financial aid assistance is available as with all college courses. Victoria College has a variety of financial assistance programs available to qualifying

students including scholarships, loans, and grants. For additional information on financial assistance, please contact the Financial Aid Office at (361) 572-6415, or visit a financial aid counselor in the Student Services building.

## Is the WIOA program available to Respiratory Care students?

WIOA is a program administered by the Texas Workforce Commission. Yes, once you receive an acceptance letter from the program and proof that FAFSA has been attempted or granted assistance. Once the file is certified, a case manager will contact you. Assistance to program is income based, and an application will be included in the information packet you will receive from the workforce. The point of contact would be Ruby Shelton. She can be reached at: 361-578-0341 | rubyshelton@gcworkforce.org

## Are scholarships available?

Yes, the College has many scholarships available. The Victoria College Foundation has scholarships available. The Respiratory Care Foundation of Texas has scholarships available once in the program. The American College of Respiratory Therapy Education has scholarships available to students once in the program. Students who need scholarship assistance should speak with the Financial Aid counselors.

## Who is the academic advisor for the program?

Bailey Koebrick is the assigned advisor. She can be reached through email at: [Bailey.Koebrick@VictoriaCollege.edu](mailto:Bailey.Koebrick@VictoriaCollege.edu) or call the advising department to schedule an appointment.

## Transfer students – anything different to the process?

Yes, transfer students from other colleges or universities will need to complete a transcript evaluation form with the admissions office. This is an important step to ensure that your credits from other colleges will be accepted at VC.

## What are the steps after applying?

After the application process, students will be scheduled for an interview and skills assessment by the administrative assistant Tracy Edwards to meet with the Program Director and Clinical Coordinator. The interview and skills assessment will occur directly after the final exams are completed in the spring semester. This will consist of: Interviewing with the Director Ceci Oldmixon and Clinical Coordinator JJ Valdez.

The assessment will be approximately 40-60 minutes long and will consist of math skills, team dynamics, problem solving, and retaining information.

## Steps after acceptance.

Acceptance letters will be emailed around June 1. Applicants accepted will need to complete the remaining conditional items, i.e. background check and drug screening, along with all immunizations uploaded to the database by July 1. If the students do not meet the conditions of acceptance, then acceptance of the program will be revoked.

In July, the students will complete an onboarding course through the free Canvas platform. Students will have about two weeks to complete the required course materials. This course must be completed by the deadlines for the course.

## Will the applicant need a criminal background check and drug screening?

Yes, applicants will be required to complete a criminal background check and drug screen through Viewpoint. Applicants who purchased Castle Branch prior to the change to Viewpoint can still use Castle Branch. Some components may need to be refreshed. Only services through viewpoint or castle branch will be accepted for admission to the program. Students are responsible for completing the background and drug screen process and paying all fees. These MUST be completed and cleared up before acceptance into the program. Students will be given a conditional acceptance pending the clear background and drug screen.

Victoria College is not able to, or responsible for, advising a student with a criminal history on whether they are eligible for certification or licensure. All questions regarding eligibility should be directed to the Texas Medical Board.

Clinical facilities determine what constitutes an unacceptable background check. The student is responsible for working with the background check company to clear up any reporting discrepancies. If there is a criminal History that cannot be cleared before the orientation, the student will not be enrolled in the program

## Is there an orientation?

Yes, the program has many guidelines and requirements that students need to be familiar with prior to beginning the program. The Orientation is a 3-day on campus orientation that applicants must attend as part of entry into the program. The orientation is usually scheduled for the last week of July and on the final day in the evening students will bring their family support network for an orientation.

## Will I need to travel?

Yes, clinical rotations occur at multiple regional sites. Travel is the responsibility of the student to meet the course requirements. Some of the locations are Cuero, Beeville, Hallettsville, El Campo, Edna, Port Lavaca, Yoakum, Corpus Christi, and others. Students are responsible for ensuring adequate transportation to the clinical sites. For any students that may need assistance with gas, they can go to Student Support Services in the Student Success Center, Room 104.

## Can I work during the program?

It is possible to work, and many students have worked. Clinicals run early in the mornings, some evenings, and occasionally overnight clinical. Most clinicals are 8 hours; however, there are some 12 hours, and there are some weekend shifts. If you work, you need a job that is flexible to your school schedule.

## Are there costs beyond tuition, books, and fees associated with the program?

Yes, the student must purchase a uniform as outlined in the student handbook; a stethoscope; a set of calipers and a volunteer shirt. The program has a student club, and membership is required and has annual dues of \$5/year. Additionally, students will be required to maintain membership to the AARC annually while in the program.

### Possible Additional Program Costs

#### Program Costs beyond textbooks

Maroon Scrub Top XS-4XL	\$ 29.00
Black Scrub Pant S-5XL	\$ 24.00
Black Lab coat XS-5XL	\$ 26.00
Maroon Polo XS-3XL	\$ 27.00
All BLACK shoes for clinical	\$ 100.00
Littman Cardiology 4*	\$ 212.99
Littman Master Cardiology* (Special edition Master Cardiology are \$269.49)	\$ 248.99
ViewPoint Drug screen & Background check with document management	\$ 90.00
S.C.O.P.E. membership/2 year	\$ 5.00
S.C.O.P.E. Volunteer shirt	\$ 20.00
Scientific Calculator	\$ 19.29
EKG Calipers (Summer Course)	\$ 7.99
Gas travel for out-of-town clinicals (estimate calculated at min 5 MPG, \$4.00/gal w/ the max mile facilities)	\$ 213.00
Gas travel for State Convention (one way)	\$ 253.60
Food costs for State Convention (2-3 days)	\$ 100.00

Actual cost to student will depend on stethoscope selection.

These items are alternative Scopes

- MDF ProCardial Core Classic (MDF797DD)
- MDF Classic Cardiology (MDF797)

## Program Degree Plan

<b>Prerequisites</b>		<b>Lecture</b>	<b>Lab</b>	<b>Clinical</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Credit</b>
<b>Course #</b>		<b>Hrs</b>	<b>Hrs</b>	<b>Hrs</b>	<b>Hrs</b>	<b>Hrs</b>
ENGL 2311	Technical and Business Writing	3	0	0	48	3
PSYC 2301	General Psychology					
	<b>OR</b>					
SOCI 1301	Introduction to Sociology	3	0	0	48	3
BIOL 2404	Introductory Anatomy & Physiology	3	3	0	96	4
BIOL 2401 & BIOL 2402	Anatomy and Physiology 1 and 2					
Math	Select 1 from VC Core Curriculum	3	0	0	48	3
Creative Arts	Select 1 from VC Core Curriculum	3	0	0	48	3
	<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Fall</b>						
<b>Course #</b>	<b>Course Name</b>					
RSPT 1113	Basic Respiratory Care Pharmacology	0	3	0	48	1
RSPT 1240	Advanced Cardiopulmonary A & P	1	3	0	64	2
RSPT 1410	Respiratory Care Procedures I	2	6	0	128	4
RSPT 1360	Clinical - Respiratory Therapy I	0	0	16	256	3
	<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Spring</b>						
<b>Course #</b>	<b>Course Name</b>					
RSPT 1411	Respiratory Care Procedures II	2	6	0	128	4
RSPT 1361	Clinical - Respiratory Therapy II	0	0	16	256	3
RSPT 2243	Research in Respiratory Care	2	1	0	48	2
RSPT 2310	Cardiopulmonary Disease	2	3	0	96	3
	<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>528</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Summer</b>						
<b>Course #</b>	<b>Course Name</b>					
RSPT 1141	Respiratory Home Care/Rehabilitation	0	2	0	32	1
RSPT 1137	Basic Dysrhythmia Interpretation	0	3	0	48	1

RSPT 2258	Respiratory Care Patient Assessment	1	2	0	48	2
RSPT 1163	Clinical - Respiratory Therapy III	0	0	6	96	1
RSPT 2135	Pediatric Advanced Life Support	0	3	0	48	1
RSPT 2139	Advanced Cardiac Life Support	0	3	0	48	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>7</b>

**Fall**

<b>Course #</b>	<b>Course Name</b>					
RSPT 2414	Mechanical Ventilation	2	6	0	128	4
RSPT 2453	Neonatal/Pediatric Cardiopulmonary Care	2	6	0	128	4
RSPT 2360	Clinical - Respiratory Therapy IV	0	0	16	256	3
<b>Total</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>512</b>	<b>11</b>

**Spring**

<b>Course #</b>	<b>Course Name</b>					
RSPT 2133	Respiratory Care Case Management	0	3	0	48	1
RSPT 2147	Specialties in Respiratory Care	0	3	0	48	1
RSPT 2231	Simulations in Respiratory Care	0	4	0	64	2
RSPT 2361	Clinical - Respiratory Therapy V	0	0	16	256	3
RSPT 2325	Cardiopulmonary Diagnostics	2	4	0	96	3
<b>Total</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>512</b>	<b>10</b>

**Respiratory Care Program**      **15**      **62**      **70**      **2368**      **50**

**Care**      **240**      **992**      **1120**

**Program**      **30**      **65**      **70**      **2656**      **66**

**Hours**

**Respiratory**

**Care**

**Program**

**Totals**

**Grand Total**

## Respiratory Care Program – Textbook Costs

FIRST SEMESTER				Price
Course Number & Name	Book Title		New	
RSPT 1240	Advanced Cardiopulmonary Anatomy	No book required		
RSPT 1410	Respiratory Care Procedures I	EGAN'S FUND OF RESPIRATORY CARE- W/C, 12th 978-0-323- 87121-7		\$167.50
RSPT 1113	Basic Resp Care Pharm	INTEGRATED CARDIOPULMONARY PHARMACOLOGY; COLBERT AND KENNEDY; 5th EDITION; ISBN: 978-1-5178050-6-7		\$73.50
RSPT 1360	Clinical-Resp Therapy I	CLINICAL PRACTICE POCKET GUIDE, OAKES, 10th, HEALTH ED. ISBN: 978- 0-932887-64-7		\$32.95
<b>Total</b>				<b>\$273.95</b>

SECOND SEMESTER				Price
Course Number & Name	Book Title		New	
RSPT 1411	RespiratoryCare Procedures II	CLINICAL BLOOD GASES, MALLEY, 2nd, ELSEVIER, ISBN: 978- 07216- 8422-2 (PRINT)		\$105.50
		CLINICAL BLOOD GASES, MALLEY, 2nd, ELSEVIER, ISBN: 978- 07216- 8422-2 (DIGITAL)		\$35.15
		ABG POCKET GUIDE W/INSTRUCTIONAL GUIDE, 2ND, HEALTH ED, ISBN: 978-0-932887-55-9		\$25.95
RSPT 2243	Research in Respiratory Care	No book required		
RSPT 2310	Cardiopulmonary Disease	CLINICAL MANIFESTATIONS+ASSESSMENT OF RESPIRATORY DISEASE-W/ACCESS, 9TH, DESJARDINS, ELSEVIER, ISBN:978-0-323-87150-1 (PRINT)		\$142.95
		CLINICAL MANIFESTATIONS+ASSESSMENT OF RESPIRATORY DISEASE-W/ACCESS, 9TH, DESJARDINS, ELSEVIER, ISBN:978-0-323-87150-1 (DIGITAL)		\$48.45
RSPT 1361	Clinical - Resp Therapy I	No book required		
<b>Total</b>				<b>\$358.00</b>

SUMMER SESSION				Price
Course Number & Name	Book Title		New	
RSPT 1141	Resp. Home Care/Rehab	No book required		
RSPT 1137	Basic Dysrhythmia Interpretation	ECG Mastery, 2nd, Jones ISBN:978-0-8036-7693-0		\$61.50
RSPT 1161	Clinical - Respiratory Therapy I	No book required		
RSPT 2258	Respiratory Care Patient Assessment	No book required		
RSPT 2135	Pediatric Advanced Life Support	PEDIATRIC ADV. IFE. <u>SUBP.</u> PROVIDER, AEDSUPER ISBN: 978-1-6166978-5-3		\$64.50
RSPT 2139	Advanced Cardiac Life Support	ACLS PROVIDER MANUAL, AHA, 4TH, MATTHEWS, ISBN: 978- 16166940-0-5		\$56.50
<b>Total</b>				<b>\$182.60</b>

FOURTH SEMESTER				Price
Course Number & Name	Book Title		New	
RSPT 2414	Mechanical Ventilation	VENTILATOR MANAGEMENT, OAKES, 4th, HEALTH ED, ISBN: 9780- 932887-47-4		\$34.50
		MECHANICAL VENTILATION, 6th, PILBEAM & CAIRO, ELSEVIER, ISBN: 978- 0-323-55127-4		\$127.95
		MECHANICAL VENTILATION - WORKBOOK, 6th, PILBEAM, ELSEVIER, ISBN: 978-0-323-55126-7		\$54.90
RSPT 2353	Neonatal/Pediatric Cardiopulmonary Care	NEO-PEDI RESPIRATORY CARE-W/ACCESS, 6TH, WALSH, ELSEVIER, ISBN: 978-0-323-79309-4 (Print)		\$128.95
		NEO-PEDI RESPIRATORY CARE-W/ACCESS, 6TH, WALSH, ELSEVIER, ISBN: 978-0-323-79309-4 (Digital)		\$40.45
		NEO/PEDI PCKT GUIDE RESPIRATORY CARE, 8TH, OAKES, HEALTH ED. ISBN:978-0-932887-65-8		\$35.50
RSPT 2360	Clinical - Resp Therapy IV	No book required		
<b>Total</b>				<b>\$422.25</b>

FIFTH SEMESTER				Price
Course Number & Name	Book Title		New	
RSPT 2425	Cardiopulmonary Diagnostics	HEMODYNAMIC MONITORING, OAKES, 6TH, OAKES, HEALTH ED, ISBN: 978-0932887-56-6		\$32.95
RSPT 2231	Clinical Sims in Resp Care	COMPREHENSIVE RESPIRATORY THERAPY -W/ACCESS, 4TH, JONES + BARTLETT, ISBN:978-1-284784-30-3		\$125.95
RSPT 2147	Specialties in Resp Care	No book required		
RSPT 2133	Resp Care Case Mgt	No book required		
RSPT 2361	Clinical - Resp Therapy V	TEXTBOOK OF NEONATAL RESUSCITATION 8TH, MATTHEWS ISBN: 978-1-6100252-4-9		\$78.95
<b>Total</b>				<b>\$237.85</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>				<b>\$1474.65</b>

NOTE: \*Cost may be subject to change without prior notice

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## What is the schedule like once enrolled?

The fall semester begins in late August, and students will have four courses that they are enrolled in. Each week has this general schedule: Mondays and Wednesdays class begins at 8:00 a.m. sharp and the day ends around 4:00 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays are clinical days, and the first four weeks students are on campus for clinical preparation. These days will have varied schedules to prepare students for all the skills they will need to learn for entry into the hospital setting. After the preparation period, the clinical rotation varies depending on what site the student is scheduled. Most clinical rotations in the first semester are an 8-hour rotation. Students are expected to be at the clinical site at least 30 minutes prior to the beginning of the scheduled rotation. Friday's class begins at 8:00 a.m. sharp, and the program's Medical Director, Dr. Adams, comes around 11:30 to lecture.

Students will be required to practice skills in the open laboratory for at least 4 hours/week to develop their proficiency with the skills.

The spring semester begins in late January, and the students will have three face-to-face courses plus an online course. The online course is as rigorous as the face-to-face courses. The schedule mirrors the fall schedule; however, clinical rotations can begin as early as 5:00 a.m., which means students must be at the site at least 30 minutes prior to the beginning of the rotation. The students will be required to practice their skills in the open laboratory for at least 4 hours/week to develop their proficiency with the skills.

The summer semester begins in late May or early June, and students are enrolled in six courses. The online rehab course runs the full summer semester. The other courses are taught on a block schedule. Students are on campus Mondays – Thursdays for two courses and Monday-Friday for two courses. The clinical course schedule is variable in the summer.

The second fall semester begins in late August, and students will have three courses. Students are on campus Mondays – Wednesdays and have clinical rotations on Thursdays and Fridays. Clinical rotations will have 8-hour and 12-hour rotations. Students will be scheduled for more out-of-town rotations, e.g. Driscoll Children's Hospital. The students will be required to practice their skills in the open laboratory for at least 4 hours/week to develop their proficiency with the skills.

The second spring semester begins in late January, and students will be enrolled in five courses. These courses will prepare students for the capstone experience and national board examination. Clinical rotations will continue at all clinical sites, and students will be on campus Monday-Wednesday with Thursday and Friday for clinical rotations. The students will be required to practice their skills in the open laboratory for at least 4 hours/week to develop their proficiency with the skills.

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PRE-ENTRANCE PHYSICAL EXAMINATION for Respiratory Care Program

**Date of exam must be within 6 months of admission.**

The applicant named below is a candidate for one of The Victoria College Allied Health Programs. Your cooperation in performing the pre-entrance Physical Examination and completion of this form will assist both the applicant and the program.

**Name of applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name First Name Maiden Name

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Number and Street City State Zip

**Telephone #:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_ **SS#:** \_\_\_\_\_

This portion to be completed by applicant:

**Medical History of Family:** (Please include heart or kidney disease, cancer, hypertension, diabetes, mental or nervous disorders and other chronic illnesses.) \_\_\_\_\_

**Previous Injuries:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Medical History of Applicant: Check all that apply**

If you checked any of the below, please give dates and current status:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Back Conditions/Disease/Injury  | <input type="checkbox"/> Dizzy Spells          | <input type="checkbox"/> Low Vision/Blindness  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Back Pain - Recurrent   | <input type="checkbox"/> Double/Blurred Vision | <input type="checkbox"/> Memory Loss   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bone Fracture   | <input type="checkbox"/> Failing Vision        | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Illness  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chest Pain  | <input type="checkbox"/> Foot Pain             | <input type="checkbox"/> Muscle Weakness   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cold Numb Feet  | <input type="checkbox"/> Gout                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Peripheral Vascular Disease   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Color Blindness   | <input type="checkbox"/> Heart Murmur          | <input type="checkbox"/> Ringing in Ears   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communicable Disease(s)   | <input type="checkbox"/> Hernia                | <input type="checkbox"/> Seizure Disorder  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Convulsions/Seizures  | <input type="checkbox"/> High Blood Pressure   | <input type="checkbox"/> Shortness of Breath: <input type="checkbox"/> On Exertion <input type="checkbox"/> Lying Flat |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coronary Artery Disease   | <input type="checkbox"/> Irregular Pulse       | <input type="checkbox"/> Stroke  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Deafness  | <input type="checkbox"/> Joint Disease/Injury  | <input type="checkbox"/> Varicose Veins/Phlebitis  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Decreased Hearing   | <input type="checkbox"/> Leg Pain When Walking |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes Type <input type="checkbox"/> Insulin <input type="checkbox"/> |  |  |

If you checked any of the above, please give dates and current status:

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List any conditions you have that may (or do) affect your ability to:

See: \_\_\_\_\_ Hear: \_\_\_\_\_ Walk: \_\_\_\_\_ Lift: \_\_\_\_\_ Bend: \_\_\_\_\_ Reach: \_\_\_\_\_

Stand: \_\_\_\_\_ Stoop: \_\_\_\_\_ Crouch: \_\_\_\_\_ Kneel: \_\_\_\_\_

Please explain any above that were marked: \_\_\_\_\_

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF APPLICANT

TEMP \_\_\_\_\_ RESP \_\_\_\_\_ PULSE \_\_\_\_\_ B.P. \_\_\_\_\_

HT: \_\_\_\_\_ WT. \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL APPEARANCE: \_\_\_\_\_

SKIN \_\_\_\_\_

MUCOUS MEMBRANE: \_\_\_\_\_

EYES: VISION: R \_\_\_\_\_ L \_\_\_\_\_ CORRECTED \_\_\_\_\_ UNCORRECTED

COLOR TEST: \_\_\_\_\_

EARS: \_\_\_\_\_ HEARING: \_\_\_\_\_ NOSE: \_\_\_\_\_ THROAT:

PHARYNX: \_\_\_\_\_ TONSILS: \_\_\_\_\_

CHEST: \_\_\_\_\_

HEART: \_\_\_\_\_ BREASTS: \_\_\_\_\_

LUNGS: \_\_\_\_\_

ABDOMEN: \_\_\_\_\_ HERNIA: \_\_\_\_\_

EXTREMITIES: \_\_\_\_\_ PULSES: \_\_\_\_\_

ORTHOPEDIC CONDITIONS: \_\_\_\_\_

LYMPH NODES: NECK \_\_\_\_\_ AXILLA \_\_\_\_\_ INGUINAL \_\_\_\_\_

NEUROLOGICAL: \_\_\_\_\_

**DIAGNOSIS/FINDINGS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** \_\_\_\_\_

***Based on this physical exam, I certify that this individual is suitable physically and emotionally for participation in an Allied Health Program.***

Typed/Printed Name of Healthcare Provider

Signature of Healthcare Provider

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address of Healthcare Provider

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip Code ( )  
Telephone #

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