

Articulation Agreement  
The University of Kansas Medical Center School of Health  
Professions  
Department of Respiratory Care and Diagnostic Science

This Articulation Agreement (the "**Agreement**") is between The University of Kansas, on behalf of its School of Health Professions Department of Respiratory Care and Diagnostic Science, hereinafter called "KU-SHP-RCDS", and Central New Mexico Community College, on behalf of its Division of Health Professions' Respiratory Care Program, hereinafter called "CNMCC-RCP". (Each a "**Party**" and collectively the "**Parties**")

**Purpose:**

The purpose of this agreement is to set guidelines for establishing an education partnership in order to allow qualified students to apply for acceptance into an associate's/bachelor's dual degree program (AS-BSRC). This AS-BSRC degree will be a cooperative relationship between the two programs in order to facilitate mobility of students in the CNMCC-RCP associate degree program in respiratory care to begin coursework towards a bachelor's degree in respiratory care (BSRC) from KU-SHP-RCDS.

**Admission for Conditional Acceptance into the AS-BSRC dual degree program:**

Students who are enrolled in an Associate Degree in Respiratory Care at CNMCC-RCP will be eligible for applying to the AS-BSRC degree program. Students must meet the following criteria for conditional acceptance into the AS-BSRC dual degree program at KU-SHP-RCDS:

1. Successful completion of one semester in the CNMCC-RCP program.
2. Good academic standing in the CNMCC-RCP program with a 2.5 GPA.
3. Completion of the AS-BSRC dual degree program admission package by the application deadline.
  - a. Application
  - b. Letter of Interest
  - c. Three reference letters; two from CNMCC-RCP faculty
  - d. Transcripts from all academic institutions

Admission is contingent upon meeting the KU-SHP-RCDS program admission requirements specified in the University of Kansas Undergraduate Catalog and admission policies (Technical Standards, Student Participation Requirements, etc.) as specified in the KU-SHP-RCDS Student Handbook. Meeting minimum admission criteria does not guarantee admission into the program, as admission to this program is competitive. It is recommended that students apply by **June 30** (for fall semester) or **November 15** (for spring semester).

Coursework for all conditionally accepted students in the AS-BSRC degree program can be found in Appendix A.

For the avoidance of doubt and violation of Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 as amended ("Title IV"), during the period of conditional acceptance, CNMCC-RTP shall be the student's "home institution" and KU-SHP-RCDS shall be a "host institution" as such terms are defined by Title IV. For each student wishing to receive Title IV assistance, both institutions agree to execute a consortium agreement and any other documents either institution reasonably deems necessary to effectuate KU-SHP-RCDS's status as a host institution or maintain compliance with Title IV.

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**Admission for Full Acceptance into the AS-BSRC dual degree program:**

1. Graduate from the CNMCC-RCP Associate Degree in Respiratory Care program
2. Minimum 2.5 GPA
3. Completion of at least 3 credit hours (up to 9 credit hours) from KU-SHP-RCDS courses listed during the period of conditional acceptance. RESP 480 Simulation and Interprofessional Education (3 credit hours), RESP 620 Community and Global Health (3 credit hours) and RESP 650 Medical Writing and Research (3 credit hours)
4. Transcripts from all academic institutions
5. Signed letter of commitment
6. Have no more than 2 prerequisite courses remaining
7. All students will need to earn their Registered Respiratory Therapist credentialing status from the National Board for Respiratory Care prior to full acceptance into the AS-BSRC dual degree program at KU-SHP-RCDS.

Full acceptance into AS-BSRC is competitive, and contingent upon the student meeting the admission requirements specified in the University of Kansas Undergraduate Catalog and admission policies as specified in the KU-SHP-RCDS Student Handbook; meeting minimum admission criteria does not guarantee full acceptance.

Upon full acceptance into AS-BSRC, KU-SHP-RCDS will become the student's "home institution" for purposes of Title IV.

**Transfer Credit Agreement for Full Acceptance:**

A minimum of 120 credit hours will be required to earn a bachelor of science in respiratory care degree from KU-SHP-RCDS. The final 30 credit hours of junior-senior (300-400 level) must be taken from the KU-SHP-RCDS. A minimum of 45 upper division credit hours must be demonstrated on the student's transcript. In order to assure all AS-BSRC dual degree program students are eligible to graduate with a bachelor's degree the following will occur.

1. Each student from CNMCC-RCP seeking full acceptance into to the AS-BSRC dual degree program will have their college transcript evaluated through a portfolio review process to determine which respiratory care courses from CNMCC-RCP will be awarded junior level course credit in the AS-BSRC dual degree program. Content deemed substantially similar to the course content from the AS-BSRC dual degree program will be the basis upon which credit is awarded to the student at the course-level consistent with the similar course from the KU-SHP-RCDS curriculum.
2. Students who were conditionally accepted into the AS-BSRC dual degree program and graduate from the CNMCC-RCP Associate Degree in Respiratory Care program will be eligible for full admission into the AS-BSRC dual degree program with senior level status.

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In the event of termination of this Articulation Agreement by either party for any reason, all parties agree to cooperate in furnishing the required educational services until every student under this agreement enrolled at the KU-SHP-RCDS has either completed the degree requirements, has withdrawn, or is no longer eligible to continue (in the event a student does not meet the requirements to earn the Bachelor of Science degree in Respiratory Care through the BSRC program).

**Academic Policy and Regulations:**

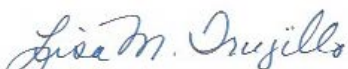
Unless otherwise identified specifically in this agreement, all other academic policies and regulations of the KU-SHP and the University of Kansas that are described in the catalogs of both the KU-SHP and The University of Kansas and the KU-SHP Student Handbook shall apply to all CNMCC-RCP students admitted to the KU-SHP-RCDS program.

**Articulation Agreement Specifications:**

This agreement is valid from the date of authorized signature of all identified parties. This agreement will remain in effect unless terminated by either party not to exceed four (4) years. Termination shall be preceded by written notification to the other party intention to terminate one semester prior to the termination date. Both parties may agree to review; amend; or modify this agreement at any time.

**Signatures:**

Representatives of the parties listed indicate their agreement to this articulation agreement by their signatures below. The agreement shall be effective from the date of signature. The signed original of this contract will be kept on file in The University of Kansas School of Health Professions.



12/14/2021

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Lisa Trujillo, DHSc, RRT, FAARC  
Program Director and Assoc. Professor  
Department of Respiratory Care and Diagnostic Science  
The University of Kansas Medical Center

Date



12/14/2021

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Dave Burnett, PhD, RRT  
Chair of Respiratory Care and Diagnostic Science; and  
Associate Dean of Faculty Practice and Community Partnerships  
The University of Kansas Medical Center

Date



12/15/2021

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Abiodun Akinwuntan, PhD, MPH, MBA  
Dean of School of Health Professions  
The University of Kansas Medical Center

Date

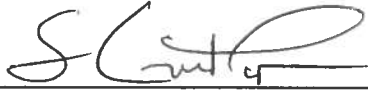
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Carol D. Ash, Ed.D  
Dean- Health, Wellness & Public Safety  
Central New Mexico Community College

Date



Dr. Sydney Gunthorpe  
Vice President for Academic Affairs  
Central New Mexico Community College

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Date

**Central New Mexico Community College Curriculum Transferring to KU-SHP-RCDS**

**Prerequisite courses that will transfer to KUMC**

BIOL 2210	Human Anatomy & Physiology I	3
BIOL 2225	Human Anatomy & Physiology II	3
BIOL 2310	Microbiology	3
BIOL 2310L	Microbiology Lab	1
MATH 1220	College Algebra	3
ENGL 1110	Composition I	3
PHIL 2120	Biomedical Ethics	3

**Total** **19**

**Respiratory Elective courses that will transfer to KU-SHP-RC**

RT 1580	Cardiopulmonary Pathophysiology II	1
RT 1593	Respiratory Therapy Lab II	1
RT 2480	Cardiopulmonary Pathophysiology IV	2

**Total** **4**

**Respiratory Courses that will transfer to KU-SHP-RC as portfolio (upper class) credit**

RT 1060	Respiratory Therapy I	3
RT 1020	Physics of Respiratory Therapy	2
RT 1080	Cardiopulmonary Pathophysiology I	1
RT 1030	Pharmacology of Respiratory Therapy	2
RT 1092	Respiratory Therapy Lab I	1
RT 2060	Advanced Respiratory Therapy I	3
RT 2093	Advanced Respiratory Therapy Lab I	1
RT 1090	Clinical Experiences I	4
RT 1560	Respiratory Therapy II	2
RT 1590	Clinical Experiences II	4
RT 2080	Cardiopulmonary Pathophysiology III	2
RT 2460	Advanced Respiratory Therapy II	3
RT 2492	Advanced Respiratory Therapy Lab II	1
RT 2090	Advanced Clinical Experiences I	4
RT 2490	Advanced Clinical Experiences II	4

**Total Portfolio Credits** **38**

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**Courses Needed**

**Required courses that will need to be taken: (hybrid from KU)**

RESP 480	Patient Simulation & IPE	3
RESP 620	Community & Global Health	3
RESP 650	Medical Writing & Research	3

**Total 9**

**Prerequisite and Elective courses (from CNMCC or KU)**

CHEM 1215 or General Chemistry	3
ENGL 1120 or Critical Reading and Writing (Composition II)	3
COMM 1130 or Speaker-Audience Communication	3
Humanities Course	3
2 Social Science Courses	6
Additional Elective Courses	11

**Total 29**

**KU-SHP-RC RRT-BSRC Courses that will need to be taken**

**CORE:**

RESP 495	Management, Ethics, and Law in Respiratory Care	3
RESP 450	Chronic Respiratory Disease Management: The Evolving Role of the RT	3

**Select any 3 from Track 1 or Track 2**

**Track 1:**

RESP 460	ACCS Specialty Credential Prep	3
RESP 470	AE-C Specialty Credential Prep	3
RESP 465	NPS Specialty Credential Prep	3

**Track 2:**

RESP 630	Lean Management	3
RESP 640	Professional Communication	3
RESP 655	Leadership Management	3

RESP 665	Clinical Specialty Project	6
(Students will complete this final course of the program in his or her chosen clinical specialty area.)		

**Total RRT-BSRC Core Courses 21**

**Grand Total of All Credit Hours**

**120**