

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

This 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 Rock Valley College, on behalf of its Division of Health Professions' Respiratory ~~Therapy~~ Program, hereinafter called "RVC-RTP".

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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 RVC-RTP associate degree program in respiratory care to earn 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 RVC-RTP 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 RVC-RTP program.
2. Good academic standing in the RVC-RTP program with a 3.0 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 RVC-RTP 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.

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

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

1. Graduate from the RVC-RTP Associate Degree in Respiratory Care program
2. Minimum 3.0 GPA
3. Completion of RESP 480 (3 credit hours), RESP 620 (3 credit hours) and 650 (3 credit hours)
4. Transcripts from all academic institutions
5. Signed letter of commitment

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6. Have no more than 2 prerequisite courses remaining
7. All students will need to earn their registered respiratory therapist credentialing status prior to full acceptance into the AS-BSRC dual degree program at KU-SHP-RCDS.

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 RVC-RTP 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 RVC-RTP 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 RVC-RTP Associate Degree in Respiratory Care program will be eligible for full admission into the AS-BSRC dual degree program with senior level status.

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 RVC-RTP 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. 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.

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Rock Valley College Curriculum Transferring to KU-SHP-RCDS

will CHM 110 be accepted?

Prerequisite courses that will transfer to KUMC

BIO 185	Foundations of Anatomy & Physiology	5	
BIO 274	Microbiology	4	
CHM 120	General Chemistry	4 3	
MTH 120	College Algebra	3	
ENG 101	Composition I	3	
ENG 103	Composition & Literature II	3	
SPH 201	Interpersonal Communication	3	
OR			
SPH 131	Fundamentals of Speech <i>Communication</i>	3	
PHL 153	Medical Ethics	3	
OR			
PHL 256	Contemporary Moral Issues	3	
PSY 170	General Psychology	3	
Total			30

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

HLT 110	Medical Terminology	2	
RSP 111	Introduction to Respiratory Care	3	
RSP 112	Patient Assessment	3	
RSP 122	Resp Care Practices & Procedures II	5	
RSP 224	Neonatal/Pediatric Respiratory Care	2	
RSP 232	Clinical Practice IV	3	
Total			18

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

RSP 121	Respiratory Care Pract Procedures I	4	
RSP 113	Cardiopulmonary Anatomy & Physiology	2	
RSP 114	Clinical Medicine	2	
RSP 123	Respiratory Pharmacology	2	
RSP 131	Clinical Practice I	2	
RSP 221	Resp Care Practices & Procedures III	3	
RSP 223	Resp Care Practices & Procedures IV	2	
RSP 222	Cardiopulmonary Testing & Rehab	2	
RSP 132	Clinical Practice II	3	
RSP 225	Respiratory Care Seminar	2	
RSP 231	Clinical Practice III	3	
Total Portfolio Credits			27

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This agreement and the rights of the parties shall be construed and governed in accordance with the laws of the State of Kansas.

Financial Aid Specifications:

Students in the respiratory care contracted articulation program are eligible to receive financial aid for semesters in which they are enrolled in at least half time enrollment. In the event the student is enrolled in a college other than KU said student will only be eligible for financial aid from one institution. The student financial aid office at KUMC will provide financial assistance based on the departments acceptable criteria.

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.

DAVE BURNETT, PhD, RRT Date
Chair, Respiratory Care Education
The University of Kansas Medical Center

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

Ellen Njolstad - Oksnevad

(Name of affiliate institution dean) Date
Dean of ~~Allied Health~~ Nursing and Allied Health
(Insert institution)
Rock Valley College

Dr. Howard Spearman

(Name of affiliate institution president/director) Date
President
(Insert institution)
Rock Valley College

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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 RVC or KU)

Additional Humanities Elective		3	
Additional Social Science Elective		3	
Additional General Elective(s)		9	
Total			15

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

