

## Respiratory Therapy 510899 RT

### Career Degree - Wallace Linkage

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This program is designed to provide training necessary for successful completion of the requirements for the advanced practitioner level as defined by the National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC). A respiratory care practitioner is responsible for the administration, under a physician's prescription, of many types of breathing therapeutics, utilizing specialized breathing, aerosol, and humidification equipment. The respiratory care practitioner works closely with the physician and also directly with the patient in the treatment situation.

The Respiratory Care Technology program is accredited by the Commission of Accreditation of Allied Health education Programs in association with the Committee on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC). Upon graduation, the student is eligible to take the registry examination of the National Board of Respiratory Care. Respiratory Care Technology classes begin in fall semester only.

**General Required Courses to be Completed at Northwest-Shoals Community College.**

**Entering students are required to complete ORI 101. Transfer students are exempt from this requirement.**

#### Semester Hours

*BIO 201-202 Human Anatomy and Physiology I and II....	8
ENG 101-102 English Composition I and II .....	6
MTH 100 Intermediate College Algebra .....	3
PSY 200 General Psychology .....	3
Humanities/Fine Art Elective .....	3
<b>Total Semester Hours .....</b>	<b>23</b>

#### \*Biology 103 highly recommended

BIO 201, ENG 101, and MTH 100 must be completed by June 15. The other courses may be completed at Wallace.

Students must complete specialized courses at Wallace State to receive this degree. Wallace State enrolls students in this program competitively and only in certain terms. See your advisor.

Health programs at Wallace State have program admission requirements unique to the individual program. Information on program admission requirements can be obtained through the WSCC catalog, WSCC website ([www.wallacestate.edu](http://www.wallacestate.edu)), or Wanda Rhodes, Health Linkage advisor located at NW-SCC. Admission requirements may include, but are not limited to: CPR certification, ACT scores, Compass testing, and observation hours.

After program admission, all WSCC Health Science Division students are required to submit a physical exam, consent to drug testing, and criminal background checks to meet clinical agency requirements.