

Respiratory Care

Note: This fact sheet does not include the program specific curriculum. To access the curriculum from the program's webpage, click one of the links below the section titled "Degrees Offered."

The Respiratory Care Program leads to an associate of science in health science degree which may be earned in two and a half years of full-time study. After a year of prerequisite courses, selected students enter the professional phase of the program in the fall and graduate in December of the following year. Selection for admission is competitive and limited to a class of twenty.

DEGREES OFFERED

- Associate of Science in Health Science in Respiratory Care

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Graduates are eligible to sit for the registry examinations offered by the National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC), leading to the Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT) credential. Requirements for licensure in the state of Kansas are partially met by successful completion of the entry-level NBRC examination.

Application Process

Download the latest [Application Packet](#) for Respiratory Care.

The Clinical Experience

Newman's urban setting allows for affiliation with large medical centers and smaller community hospitals, offering a wide variety of experiences.

Clinical instructors include respiratory therapists and physicians who have real world experience and knowledge of the latest advancements in pulmonary-related technology.

Accreditation

The Respiratory Care Program is accredited by the [Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care](#) (CoARC).

Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care
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Outcomes data from the 2012 Annual Report of Current Status has been posted on the CoARC website. Follow this link directly to the Programmatic Outcomes Data page:
<http://www.coarc.com/47.html>.

PROMINENT CAREERS

Respiratory Care is a dynamic, high-tech, high-touch allied health profession.

Respiratory therapists work under the direction of a physician and assist in the evaluation, treatment and care of patients with heart, lung and breathing disorders. These patients range in age from the premature infant to the elderly. Most respiratory therapists work in hospitals; however, an increasing number of respiratory therapists are now working in physicians' offices, specialized care hospitals, medical equipment companies and skilled nursing facilities.

According to the [U.S. Department of Labor](#), employment of respiratory therapists is expected to increase 28 percent through the year 2020. Nationally, respiratory therapists earn a median annual salary of \$54,280. The [American Association for Respiratory Care \(AARC\)](#) website can provide additional information on the profession of respiratory care.

EXPERT, ACCESSIBLE FACULTY

The Respiratory Care program consists of a group of carefully selected scholarly and

professional practitioners who creatively introduce students to emerging theory and current best practices.

Newman Graduates regularly cite close collaboration with talented, dedicated faculty as one of their most meaningful experiences at Newman.

Newman faculty members are more than just leaders in their field. They take an active and personal role in students' studies and progress, forming strong relationships with students through coursework, special projects and informal out of class discussions.

ACCREDITATION

Newman University is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools,
www.ncahigherlearningcommission.org.

FINANCIAL AID

With many scholarships, grants, work-study and company tuition assistance programs available, the cost of a degree from Newman University is comparable to that of state universities.

PROGRAM CONTACT

For more information about this program, visit the program's webpage on the Newman University website and click the link "[Request more info](#)".

To contact Newman University Admissions, office hours are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday-Thursday and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday. For a personal appointment call 316-942-4291, ext. 2144 or e-mail admissions@newmanu.edu. Call us Toll-Free at 877-NEWMAN (639-6268) or visit our website at www.newmanu.edu.