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DACC Pre-Respiratory Therapy Worksheet - 2026-2027

Visit Website at: <https://dacc.nmsu.edu/academics/programs/respiratory-therapy/index.html>

PROGRAM PREREQUISITES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> These courses <u>must</u> be completed before the Fall semester of entrance to the program. Application Deadline: May 1 Exception: BIOL 2310/L may be taken <u>after</u> acceptance into the program, however, 1 point is earned if completed <u>before</u> application to the program Grade of "C-" or better required Successful candidates generally have a GPA of 3.0 or higher and a science GPA (AHS 120, BIOL 2210, 2225, 2310/L, 2505 and CHEM 1120G) of 2.7 or better. Grades earned add points to your application (A=4, B=3, C=2)
GENERAL EDUCATION ELECTIVE

Course	Title	Cr.	Sem/Grade
ENGL 1110G*	Composition I	4	
MATH 1220G*	College Algebra	3	
<i>»»»Note: Chemistry has a 3-year expiration</i>			
CHEM 1120G*	Intro. to Chemistry Lec/Lab	4	
HLSC 1510	Medical Terminology	3	
<i>»»»Note: Microbiology and A & P have a 7-year expiration</i>			
BIOL 2310*	Microbiology	3	
& BIOL 2310L*	and Microbiology Lab	1	
BIOL 2210*	Human A & P I	4	
BIOL 2225*	Human A & P II	4	
PSYC 1110G or	Introduction to Psychology	3	
SOCI 1110G	Introduction to Sociology		
PREREQUISITE TOTAL		29	

- *PREREQUISITE/COREQUISITE REFERENCE LIST**
- ENGL 1110G** ACT in English 16 or higher, Accuplacer 250 or higher, or SAT 400 or higher, or C- or better grade in CCDE110N
- MATH 1220G** Adequate scoring on the MPE, or any ACT/SAT and GPA combination that is considered equivalent, or a C- or better in MATH 1215 or higher
- CHEM 1120G** CCDM 114N or A S 103 or **MATH 1215** or higher
- BIOL 2310 Coreq: BIOL 2310L, Prereqs: **CHEM 1120G, 1215G, or 1225G**
- BIOL 2310L Coreq: BIOL 2310 or BIOL 2320
- BIOL 2210 No Prerequisite
- BIOL 2225 BIOL 2210
- BIOL 2505 Prerequisite: BIOL 2210
Corequisite/Prerequisite: BIOL 2225

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A grade of "C-" or better required. Complete <u>before or after</u> acceptance to the program.
ENHANCEMENT/SUPPORT ADDITIONAL POINTS (listed on pg. 2)

General Education Elective** See NOTE		3-4	
<i>» See the General Education section of the catalog for a full list of courses</i>			
GENERAL EDUCATION TOTAL		3-4	
BIOL 2505*	Pathophysiology	3	
or HLSC 1530	Pathophysiology for Health Sciences		
TECHNICAL REQUIREMENT TOTAL		3	
TOTAL		35	

- IMPORTANT INFORMATION**
- Courses appearing in bold are identical to those offered at NMSU Las Cruces (main) campus. Students planning to continue their studies at NMSU should choose courses in bold whenever possible.
 - Be aware that certain financial aid restrictions may apply. Students receiving financial aid should check with Financial Aid staff concerning the maximum time frame allowable to obtain their degree.
 - Completion of courses **DOES NOT GUARANTEE** acceptance into the program. The Respiratory Therapy program is a limited-entry, special application program. Students considering applying to the program are highly encouraged to study the program website (<https://dacc.nmsu.edu/academics/programs/respiratory-therapy/index.html>) including program admission requirements and selection

NOTE: **Students taking 9+ credits in a specific subject area, even though the courses are not designated as General Education courses, will have met the general education requirements for that subject area. Taking BIOL 2310/2310L, 2210, and 2225 will allow students to satisfy one course from the AREA III: Laboratory Sciences category, even though none of those courses carries a "G" suffix. In this case, the 9+ credits may be used to meet the General Education Elective. Students will still need to complete 79-80 credits to earn this degree.

Semester _____	Semester _____	Semester _____	Semester _____	Semester _____	Semester _____	Semester _____

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ENHANCEMENT/SUPPORT	Course	Title	Cr.	Sem/Grade
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These courses <u>do not</u> meet program requirements but are designed to enhance study skills or increase medical knowledge. 	CCDR 105N**	Fund. of Acad. Reading	3	
	CCDR 110N**	Effective Coll. Reading	3	
	FYEX 1110	First Year Seminar	3	
	HLSC 1540	Legal/Ethical Issues HC	3	
	EMSS 1116	BLS Clinical Preparation (CPR)	1	
CPR certification required for students accepted to program				
ADDITIONAL POINTS				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See BIOL 2310/L in Prerequisites section on page 1. • Documented Community Service (1 point) • Points earned for A, B, and C grades earned in Prerequisite and Related Requirements Section. 	BIOL 2310/L	Microbiology + Lab	3+1	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Documented Community Service (e.g. signed letter from supervisor) of community service completed. 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refer to the application and selection process information available online for complete information regarding points. 			

DEVELOPMENTAL COURSES

placement.

A grade of C- or better is required in the courses below.

Course	Title	Cr.	Sem/Grade
CCDR 101N	Intro. to Basic Reading	4	
CCDR 103N	Comp. Reading Dev.	4	
CCDR 105N**	Fund. of Acad. Reading	3	
CCDR 110N**	Effective Coll. Reading	3	
CCDE 110N	General Composition	4	
CCDM 100N	Math Preparation	4	
CCDM 103N	Pre-Algebra	4	
CCDM 105N	Math Prep/Pre-Algebra	5	
CCDM 114N	Algebra Skills	4	

- Students are encouraged early on to review the Respiratory Therapy application checklist, selection process, additional information, goals, technical standards, application, questionnaire, GPA worksheets, and immunization and tests information on the program website.
- Students must have proof of high school graduation or GED and a minimum college GPA of 3.0 to be eligible for the Respiratory Therapy Program. To obtain a complete application packet for the program, contact the Respiratory Therapy Program office in DAHL 191 (phone: 575-527-7607) or the Health and Public Services Division office in DAHL 191 (phone: (575) 527-7630). Instructions on how to qualify for the program are in the application packet. Accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC); www.coarc.com; 1248 Harwood Rd., Bedford, TX 76021.

Frequently asked questions about repeats, exercising the Adjusted Credit Option (ACO), etc., and how they affect the Respiratory Therapy application.

- 1) **A student earns a "D" or an "F" in a prerequisite and repeats the course. How is the new grade treated in the application?** Students are not encouraged to repeat prerequisites for the Respiratory Therapy Program.
- 2) **A student repeats a prerequisite in which a "C" grade is earned. How is the new grade treated in the application process?** Students are not encouraged to repeat prerequisites for the Respiratory Therapy Program.
- 3) **Is there a cap on the number of times a student can repeat a course before student will no longer be considered?** If students do repeat, only a cap of two is accepted.
- 4) **Is there an expiration time on prerequisites or other courses in this program?** Anatomy and microbiology courses have a 7-year expiration. Chemistry has a 3-year expiration.
- 5) **How is transfer work treated in my application to the program?** The Program Director would want to see transfer credit transcripts from previous institutions.
- 6) **Is the prerequisite GPA looked at alone or is it a combination of the prerequisites and the cumulative GPA?** Selection made using cumulative GPA/science GPA/interview.
- 7) **How does exercising the Adjusted Credit Option (ACO) affect the application?** This program does not add/deduct points for exercising the ACO, however, be aware of the pros and cons of using the option. The policy is outlined under the Academic Regulations section of the current DACC catalog.
- 8) **Felony/Misdemeanor Information** Closed to those with a criminal record. Students accepted into the program will be required to undergo a criminal history screening and a 10-panel drug screen. Background check and fingerprinting through the designated college affiliate (adverse findings may disqualify a student from continuing in the program).

Vince Duran, Program Director

4/6/2026