

COLLEGE OF REHABILITATION SCIENCES

General Office

Dean: Dr. Reg Urbanowski

Head: Denise Mackey, Department of Respiratory Therapy

Campus Address/General Office: R106-771 McDermot Ave., Bannatyne Campus

Telephone: 204 789 3897

Fax: 204 789 3927

Email Address: CORS.RTprogram@umanitoba.ca

Website: <https://umanitoba.ca/rehabilitation-sciences/respiratory-therapy> (<https://umanitoba.ca/rehabilitation-sciences/respiratory-therapy/>)

Academic Staff: Please refer to the College of Rehabilitation Sciences (CoRS) website at <https://umanitoba.ca/rehabilitation-sciences/faculty-staff#department-of-respiratory-therapy> (<https://umanitoba.ca/rehabilitation-sciences/faculty-staff/#department-of-respiratory-therapy>)

The College of Rehabilitation Sciences also offers Master of Occupational Therapy and Master of Physical Therapy programs. Refer to the U of M Graduate Studies Calendar for further info on these programs.

Professional Designation

Bachelor of Respiratory Therapy (B.R.T.)

Respiratory Therapists may apply for a license in jurisdictions throughout Canada after graduation of an approved or accredited educational program and successful completion of the credentialing examination approved Manitoba Association of Respiratory Therapists (MARRT).

In Manitoba MARRT has the right to confer the title of Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT) by virtue of a candidate's successful completion of the certification examinations. Further information regarding the national certification exam please refer to the website.

Students admitted into the program of studies in respiratory therapy should note carefully that while the University of Manitoba, College of Rehabilitation Sciences may admit students to its course of studies, the right to practice as a respiratory therapist is granted only through the appropriate authority of the province concerned, through a process of licensure. To be eligible for employment in Manitoba, graduates must register with the Manitoba Association of Registered Respiratory Therapists (MARRT). Regulations are similar in most other provinces in that the students must pass a credential exam and be registered with the regulatory body in that jurisdiction. Further information regarding registration in Manitoba please refer to the website (<https://www.marrrt.org/>). Students are highly encouraged to become student members of both provincial and national professional associations.

Programs

Degree/Diploma	Years to Completion	Total Credit Hours	Has Co-op Option
Respiratory Therapy, B.R.T. (https://catalog.umanitoba.ca/undergraduate-studies/health-sciences/rehabilitation-sciences/respiratory-therapy-brt/)	4	136	

Note: B.R.T. is 4 years (University 1 plus 3 years B.R.T.)

Faculty Academic Regulations

Admission Requirements

Intro Rehabilitation Sciences

The following is a summary of the admission requirements for Respiratory Therapy. Equivalent academic courses completed at the University of Manitoba or recognized universities elsewhere will be considered. All admission requirements, as well as application deadline dates and the online application can be accessed through the Respiratory Therapy website (<https://www.umanitoba.ca/explore/programs-of-study/respiratory-therapy-brt/>). Info can also be obtained from the Admissions Office (<https://umanitoba.ca/student/admissions/programs/respiratory-therapy.html>), Enrolment Services, 424 University Centre. This information is also posted on the university's website.

Course Requirements: Respiratory Therapy Regular Program

Course	Title	Hours
Select one of the following:		6
BIOL 1020 & BIOL 1030	Biology 1: Principles and Themes and Biology 2: Biological Diversity, Function and Interactions	
BIOL 1000 & BIOL 1010	Biology: Foundations of Life and Biology: Biological Diversity and Interaction	

STAT 1000	Basic Statistical Analysis 1	3
or STAT 1150	Introduction to Statistics and Computing	
SOC 1200	Course no longer offered	6
or		
PSYC 1200	Introduction to Psychology	
Select one 3 credit hour course to satisfy the written English requirement		3
Select 6 credit hours of electives to total 24 credit hours in University 1		6
Total Hours		24

Other Requirements: Respiratory Therapy

- Minimum GPA required for consideration: 3.0. Minimum GPA required in core courses: 3.0.
- Respiratory Therapy does not require specific high school courses. However, the following high school courses are required to register for the required courses:
 - Math 40S minimum 50% required (Pre-Calculus or Applied Math recommended)
 - If taking BIOL 1020, Biology 40S, and one of Chemistry 40S or Physics 40S minimum 50% required

- Biology 40S, Chemistry 40S, English 40S, and Physics 30S and/or 40S recommended
- Selection Criteria: 67% Grades and 33% Interview.

Degree Completion Program

In addition to the regular degree program in Respiratory Therapy, the College offers a degree completion program. Generally, individuals who have attained a diploma in respiratory therapy from an accredited program of studies in Canada, who are actively involved in the practice of the profession, and who demonstrate an interest in continuing their studies in this field, will be accepted. The degree completion program requires a minimum of 30 credit hours of study to be determined by the student in consultation with the department head and/or faculty advisor.

College Academic Regulations

General

Limited Access (see University Policy and Procedures-Limited Access section 2.5 (<https://catalog.umanitoba.ca/undergraduate-studies/policies-procedures/repeated-course-policy/>)) will not affect registration for the 2021-2022 Academic Year (including Summer Term 2022).

The provisions of the General Academic Regulations (<https://catalog.umanitoba.ca/undergraduate-studies/general-academic-regulations/>), and the University Policies and Procedures (<https://catalog.umanitoba.ca/undergraduate-studies/policies-procedures/>), apply to all students. In addition, the College of Rehabilitation Sciences has regulations and requirements, published below, that apply specifically to its' students.

Policies with regard to admissions, selection, academic progression of the student, compulsory attendance, examination procedures, supplemental examination procedures, withdrawal dates and other academic requirements are in force and are on file in the general office of the College of Rehabilitation Sciences.

Health Requirements

Students in Respiratory Therapy are required to provide a health history and immunization record. A student will not be permitted to attend fieldwork/clinical placements until all health, immunization, CPR and mask fit requirements are current.

Immunizations

Standard Health Record Form Packages are sent to new students in Respiratory Therapy upon acceptance into the program. New students in Respiratory Therapy are required to return forms to their department by the dates published yearly in the Health Record Form Packages. Returning students are required annually to review and update immunizations as necessary.

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Certification

All students (both new and returning) in the Department of Respiratory Therapy are required to obtain Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada certification in cardiopulmonary resuscitation annually. Certification must be at the Basic Life Support (BLS) for Healthcare Providers. Students in year 1 and 2 of the program will be required to provide proof of certification at the first day of class. Students in year 3 of the program will be required to provide proof of certification before the first day of their clinical placement. For students in all years of the program, proof of certification must not have an issue date prior to the last week in June of the current year. This will ensure that the certification remains current until the end of the clinical education period for each year in the program.

Mask Fit Certification

Clinical/fieldwork education sites require Respiratory Therapy students to maintain mask fit certification. Information on acquiring this certification is provided to new students with the Health Record Form Packages. All students are required to maintain mask fit certification throughout the program. Mask fit testing cannot be performed successfully over facial hair, as this interferes with sealing of the mask.

Dean's Honour List

Students carrying a full course load, with a sessional Grade Point Average of 3.7 or higher and have not done resit or supplemental exams, are placed on the Dean's Honour List.

Attendance

Regular attendance is expected of all students in all courses. Prior permission is required for any anticipated absences. Students absent from class due to illness may be required to present a certificate from a physician. Unexcused absence from an examination may result in a grade of zero for that examination. Make-up examinations may be allowed under special circumstances.

Criminal Record and Vulnerable Persons Check, Adult Abuse Registry Check and Child Abuse Registry Check

All respiratory therapy students are required to obtain a formal Criminal Record and Vulnerable Persons Check, an Adult Abuse Registry Check, and a formal Child Abuse Registry Check **by the first day of classes of each year of the program**. These records must have been issued within the ninety (90) days previous to that date to ensure that they remain current until the end of the clinical education period for each year of the program. These documents are required for participation in all clinical/fieldwork education activities.