



Associates of Science Degree  
**RESPIRATORY CARE PRACTITIONER**  
*Program Admissions and Advising*

**Qualification for Program Entry & Selection Criteria**

Qualification is based on a BEST QUALIFIED rating system for (a) grades of completed prerequisites, (b) career & program counseling session, (c) essay, (d) letters of reference, and (e) proof of previous college degree (if any). Selection is based on total qualifying score in rank order from the highest until admission quota is reached.

Applications are located online in the [Respiratory Care Practitioner "Forms & Documents"](#) on the KCC website. Students must complete all prerequisites by the application deadline.

Students on probation, suspension or having a GPA below 2.0 at KCC are not eligible to apply. Priority selection is given to Hawai'i State residents; nonresidents will be considered after all qualified residents have been accommodated per [Board of Regents Policy 5.211](#). A grade of "C" or higher must be maintained in all program requirements to continue in the programs. Transfer credit from accredited institutions requires KCC Department and registrar approval.

**Summer (July)  
Admission Only**

**Application Period:  
April 1 - May 31**

**Best Qualified Basis**



1. Attend Mandatory Information Session within one year of submitting your program application. Click [here](#) to register.

2. Seek Advising  
*Virtual drop-in appointments by phone or Zoom. Sign-in to [Health Sciences Express Kiosk](#) during the below times.*

Virtual Advising  
Office Hours (No appointment needed)  
**Monday through Thursday**  
9:00-11:30am & 1:00-3:00pm  
Closed on holidays

Phone/Email:  
808-734-9224 /hlthsci@hawaii.edu

3. Complete the Prerequisites with "C" grades or higher.

4. Apply to Program by posted deadline.  
*Applications must be submitted via email through UH File Drop, <https://www.hawaii.edu/filedrop/>*

This program qualifies for Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA).

Time Limit	Prerequisite Course	Course Alpha	Sem/Yr Completed	Where Completed	Grade
None	ENG 100 Composition 1 (3cr) <u>or</u> ESL 100 Expository Writing (3cr)				
None	*MATH 100, or higher (3cr) Survey of Mathematics				
None	HLTH 125 (1cr) or HLTH 110 (2cr) Medical Terminology				
None	PSY 100 Survey of Psychology (3cr) <u>or</u> HDFS 230 Human Development (3cr)				
None	CHEM 100, or higher (3cr) Survey of Chemistry				
None	PHYL 141 + 141L (3 + 1cr) Human Anatomy & Physiology I + Lab I				
None	PHYL 142 + 142L (3 + 1 cr) Human Anatomy & Physiology II + Lab II				
None	MICR 130 General Microbiology (3cr) <u>or</u> MICR 135 Micro for Health Prof (3cr)				
None	MICR 140 Gen Microbiology Lab (2cr)				
None	Arts & Humanities Course (see list on back) Recommended: HWST 107 (3cr)				

KCC Respiratory Care Practitioner Program: <https://www.kapiolani.hawaii.edu/programs/health/health-sciences/resp/>

UHCC Class Availability Website: <https://www.sis.hawaii.edu/uhdad/avail.classes>

**Sample "My Plan" for Prospective Students**

**Fall Semester (14 cr)**

- ENG 100 (3 cr)
- \*MATH 100 (3 cr)
- PHYL 141 + 141L (3 + 1 cr)
- CHEM 100 (3 cr)
- HLTH 125 (1 cr)

**Spring Semester (15 cr)**

- MICRO 130 (3 cr)
- MICR 140 (2 cr)
- PHYL 142 + 142L (3 + 1 cr)
- HDFS 230 or PSY 100 (3 cr)
- Arts & Humanities course (3 cr)

\* Math 103 is highly recommended for students interested in transferring to UHWO for their Bachelor's degree

This is not a typical freshman schedule. Please verify individual schedules with a Counselor during or after the FYE New Student Orientation (NSO).

**Health Careers  
Counseling Center**  
Kapi'olani Community College  
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Honolulu, HI 96816  
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E-mail: [hlthsci@hawaii.edu](mailto:hlthsci@hawaii.edu)  
Health Science Express Kiosk:  
<https://www.star.hawaii.edu/virtual-kiosk/app.jsp#!/kiosk?unit=433>

**EXAMPLES OF ARTS & HUMANITIES (AH) courses for KCC AS degree (KCC/AS/AH)\***

AMST 201  
 ART 101, 107D, 159, 175, 176, 189  
 ASAN 100 (AH or SS but not both), 201, 202  
 DNCE 150  
 EALL 261, 262, 271, 272  
 ENG 270 (any alpha), 271 (any alpha), 272 (any alpha), 273 (any alpha)  
 HIST 151, 152, 231, 232, 241, 242, 252, 281, 282, 284, 288  
 HUM 269 (any alpha), 295 (any alpha)  
 HWST 100, 107, 110, 207, 222, 257, 282  
 IS 109, 161  
 LING 102  
 MUS 106, 107, 108, 170, 229  
 PACS 257  
 PHIL 100, 102, 103, 213, 250  
 REL 149, 150, 205  
 SP 251  
 THEA 101, 221  
 WS 149

\*Current listing of AS elective courses (KapCC AS/AH, AS/SS) are viewable in the college catalog under “College Policies and Regulations” in the section titled, Associate in Science Degree Courses.

**Program Cost Estimate**

Associates of Science Degree Respiratory Care Practitioner									
	Prereqs Fall	Prereqs Spring	1st Summer Semester	1st Fall Semester	1st Spring Semester	2nd Summer Semester	2nd Fall Semester	2nd Spring Semester	3rd Summer Semester
<b>Tuition Resident:</b> # credits x \$128.50	Resident 15 x \$131 = \$1,965	Resident 15 x \$131 = \$1,965	Resident 4 x \$131 = \$524	Resident 14 x \$131 = \$1,834	Resident 13 x \$131 = \$1,703	Resident 7 x \$131 = \$917	Resident 13 x \$131 = \$1,703	Resident 13 x \$131= \$1,703	Resident 8 x \$131 = \$1,048
<b>Non-Resident:</b> # credits x \$340	Non-Resident 15 x \$345 = \$5,175	Non-Resident 15 x \$345 = \$5,175	Non-Resident 4 x \$345 = \$1,380	Non-Resident 14 x \$345 = \$4,830	Non-Resident 13 x \$345 = \$4,485	Non-Resident 7 x 345 = \$2,415	Non-Resident 13 x \$345 = \$4,485	Non-Resident 13 x \$345 = \$4,485	Non-Resident 8 x \$345 = \$2,760
<b>KCC Student Fees</b> (activity, publications)	\$70	\$70	\$30	\$70	\$70	\$30	\$70	\$70	\$30
<b>Professional Fees</b>	-	-	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$400
<b>Liability Insurance</b>	-	-	-	\$15	-	-	\$15	-	-
<b>Textbooks, uniforms, stethoscope, etc</b>	\$400	\$400	\$300	\$350	\$350	-	-	-	-
<b>Total per semester</b>	Resident \$2,435	Resident \$2,435	Resident \$1,254	Resident \$2,669	Resident \$2,523	Resident \$1,347	Resident \$2,188	Resident \$2,173	Resident \$1,478
	Non-Resident \$5,645	Non-Resident \$5,645	Non-Resident \$2,110	Non-Resident \$5,665	Non-Resident \$5,305	Non-Resident \$2,845	Non-Resident \$4,970	Non-Resident \$4,955	Non-Resident \$3,190
<b>Total for Program</b>	<b>Resident \$18,502</b> <b>Non-Resident \$40,090</b>								

Tuition and all fees listed above are estimated and maybe subject to change by the University. For official tuition schedules please refer to the [Executive Policy E6.201](#). In addition, tuition expenses are based on maximum credits – individual student total could be less if support courses are completed or more if minimum levels of Math and English are not yet met.

Textbook costs may vary depending on the semester and courses enrolled.

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