



# THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG

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## Pre-Medical Rehabilitation: Respiratory Therapy

*Respiratory therapists assist physicians to diagnose and treat respiratory disorders. While most respiratory therapists work at hospitals in neonatal nurseries, operating rooms, emergency rooms, general wards, and intensive care units, some work in the community, offering clinical services, home care, and a variety of other services.*

You have the vision, determination, and passion to become a respiratory therapist, and you're looking for a university with a strong reputation, personal attention, and excellent student services to help you gain admission to respiratory therapy. Come to The University of Winnipeg for your pre-professional studies and put our small class sizes, community atmosphere, central location, and reputation for excellence to work for you.

Our campus is **located in the heart of downtown Winnipeg**—central to Winnipeg's medical library, major hospitals, research centres, and labs such as the National Microbiology Laboratory and the National Research Council's Institute for Biodiagnostics; it's a great location for studying, volunteering, research, and entertainment.

As a University of Winnipeg student, you will get to know your professors and other students because of our **small classes and community atmosphere**. Our excellent professors—including five Canada Research Chairs—are supportive and accessible, contributing to the many successes of our students.

### YOUR EDUCATION

#### Year 1: Pre-Respiratory Therapy at The University of Winnipeg

The University of Winnipeg is an excellent place to fulfill the entrance requirements for respiratory therapy at the University of Manitoba or other colleges and universities across Canada.

Each respiratory therapy program has its own entrance requirements. To meet the entrance requirements for Respiratory Therapy at the University of Manitoba, you will complete **24 credit hours** or **one year** of study, including the "Pre-Professional Requirements" listed on page 2.

#### Years 2-4: Professional Studies: Respiratory Therapy

During your pre-professional studies at The University of Winnipeg, you will apply for admission to respiratory therapy at another university or college.

Enrolment in respiratory therapy programs is limited, and only qualified applicants are chosen.

Three more years of study are required to complete a degree program in respiratory therapy. College programs may be shorter.

### YOUR FIRST YEAR

We are committed to helping you have a smooth transition from high school to university. You will attend a First Year Survival Session and other orientation sessions to prepare you for university life and introduce you to the facilities and services you will need on campus. We recommend that you choose one of the various sections of Academic Writing to learn the essential strategies for university writing and research. Our Tutoring Centre (3rd floor of Graham Hall) offers peer tutoring to help you develop your writing skills, and in case you need it, our Learning Centre offers free tutoring in chemistry, math, and physics.

### PRE-PROFESSIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Most students who study Pre-Respiratory Therapy at The University of Winnipeg will apply for admission to the School of Medical Rehabilitation at the University of Manitoba, but you may choose to apply elsewhere. The courses listed below are University of Winnipeg courses that satisfy the University of Manitoba's entrance requirements for Respiratory Therapy:

#### "Core" courses

BIOL-1115(3) Cells and Cellular Processes AND BIOL-1116(3) Evolution, Ecology, and Biodiversity

OR BIOL-1102(6) Biology and Human Concerns

PSYC-1000(6) Introductory Psychology OR

SOC-1101(6) Introduction to Sociology

STAT-1301(3) Statistical Analysis I and STAT-1302(3) Statistical Analysis II OR

STAT-1501(3) Elementary Biological Statistics I and STAT-2001(3) Elementary Biological Statistics II

**“Non-core” courses**

3 credit hours first-year English to satisfy the University of Manitoba’s Written English requirement

6 credit hours Electives

***NOTE: You must consult with the school where you plan to complete your studies to make sure that you choose an appropriate set of courses and that you will meet the entrance requirements for your respiratory therapy program of choice.***

**YOU SHOULD KNOW**

Category I Applicants to Respiratory Therapy at the University of Manitoba must have completed the 24 credit hours of pre-professional studies **in one academic session (September to April)**, and have a minimum grade of “B” in all core courses and an Adjusted Grade Point Average of 3.0 to be competitive. If there is space remaining in the program after Category I applicants have been considered, applicants who have not completed 24 credit hours in one academic session are considered under Category II. Category II applicants must have a minimum grade of “B+” in all core courses and an Adjusted Grade Point Average of 3.50. For more information, contact the School of Medical Rehabilitation at the University of Manitoba.

**YOUR SUCCESS**

The University of Winnipeg has a rich history of academic excellence, and a reputation for providing thorough preparation for professional and graduate programs at other universities. We offer the courses, supports, and challenges you will need to get in to respiratory therapy and build a rewarding, successful career as a respiratory therapist.

**WHERE CAN I STUDY RESPIRATORY THERAPY?**

There are 16 colleges, universities, and institutes of technology offering respiratory therapy programs that are accredited by the Council on Accreditation for Respiratory Therapy Education (CoARTE). Explore your options on the internet or at The University of Winnipeg’s Career Resource Centre, rooms 1A01 and 1A02 in the first floor of Ashdown Hall. To read more about respiratory therapy, go to the Canadian Society of Respiratory Therapists website at [www.csrt.com](http://www.csrt.com) or the Manitoba Association of Registered Respiratory Therapists website at [www.marrt.org](http://www.marrt.org)

**IN CASE YOU CHANGE YOUR MIND...**

Courses taken as part of pre-professional studies are applicable to University of Winnipeg degree programs. If you change your mind about your studies, you may wish to consult with an Academic Advisor or an instructor from your area of interest to formulate a new study plan.

**REQUIRED HIGH SCHOOL COURSES**

In addition to meeting The University of Winnipeg’s general admission requirements, you need **Chemistry 40S** and either **Pre-Calculus Mathematics 40S** or **Applied Mathematics 40S**. Biology 40S and Physics 30S or 40S are recommended.

**HOW TO APPLY**

To find out more information on application requirements, deadlines, and to access the application, please visit [uwinnipeg.ca/apply](http://uwinnipeg.ca/apply).

***NOTE: Admission to The University of Winnipeg does not guarantee admission to respiratory therapy. As a pre-professional student, you are responsible to research and apply for admission to your professional school of choice.***

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