

## Respiratory Therapy Program Agreement

between

Kirkwood Community College and Weber State University

This articulation agreement (the 'Agreement') is established by and entered into May 28, 2025 ("Effective Date") by Kirkwood Community College (hereinafter referred to as 'Kirkwood') and Weber State University (hereinafter referred to as 'Weber State').

Kirkwood and Weber State mutually agree that students who successfully complete the Kirkwood Respiratory Therapist Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree and who successfully obtain the National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC) Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT) Certification will be able to transfer to Weber State to complete its online program leading to a Bachelor of Science (BS) in Respiratory Therapy.

### **APPLY FOR ADMISSION TO WEBER STATE**

- Transfer students are required to submit an application for admission to Weber State and pay the application fee.
- They are required to provide official transcripts from all institutions of higher education previously attended.
- Students declare their program of study upon institutional admission but must meet the departmental requirements for program acceptance.

### **APPLY FOR PROGRAM ACCEPTANCE**

Prior to acceptance, Kirkwood students should have:

- successfully completed Kirkwood's Respiratory Therapist AAS degree.
- a current American Heart Association (AHA) Basic Life Support (BLS) Healthcare Provider cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) certification card.
- an American Association for Respiratory Care (AARC) membership.
- an overall GPA of 2.75 or higher.
- A current NBRC RRT credential.
- been accepted by Weber State's admissions office.
- completed Weber State's Respiratory Therapy online application.

Students that meet the above requirements and have been accepted by Weber State's RT program will be admitted into the BS program.

### **UPON TRANSFER TO WEBER STATE**

- All Kirkwood coursework will be accepted as transfer credit based on Weber State's current course evaluations ([Transfer Guide](#)). All of Kirkwood's Respiratory Therapist courses (RCP-xxx) will transfer in as lower division electives.
- The student will meet with a Weber State Health Professions Office of Admissions & Advising advisor at the time they apply for the program to determine remaining general education courses needed to fulfill the BS degree requirements. Kirkwood courses may meet some of Weber State University's general education course requirements.
- Weber State requires 120 semester credit hours for the bachelor's degree.
  - To complete the graduation residency requirement, 30 credit hours need to be taken at Weber State. Credit by examination does NOT apply to the 30-credit residency. General education courses, respiratory therapy specific courses, or other courses chosen by students count for this requirement.
  - Weber State requires 40 credit hours of upper division coursework for the BS degree. Each student should meet with the program advisor to ensure they are taking the upper division courses they need.

- A minimum of 6 credit hours of REST courses are required to fulfill Weber State's BS requirements and may include:
  - REST 3800 – Respiratory Care Certifications Credits: (3)
  - REST 4610 – Advanced Patient Assessment Credits: (1-2)
  - REST 4620 – Health Promotions (1-2)

AND one of the following courses:

  - REST 4630 – Continuous Quality Improvement Credits: (1-2) **OR**
  - HIM 3300 – Introduction to Quality Improvement in Healthcare Credits: (3)
- Students who have obtained the RRT credential may receive credit for additional REST upper division coursework by filling out Weber State's Application for Credit – Special Examination form, where a student applies for specific course credits and pays the associated fees to receive credit for each registered course. Please meet with department advisor to begin this process. The RRT credential meets the requirements with the exception of HIM 3300 (or REST 4630), REST 4610, REST 4620, and REST 3800 (or equivalent, which includes ACLS, PALS, and NRP) discussed above.

## MISCELLANEOUS

- The Agreement may be amended by the written consent of both parties.
- Either party may terminate this agreement within 90 days of written notice for any reason. Such termination will include honoring commitments to students already enrolled in the BA program at Weber State.
- Both Kirkwood and Weber State prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, pregnancy, disability, genetic information, status as a U.S. veteran, service in the U.S. military, sexual orientation, gender identity, associational preferences, or any other classification that deprives the person of consideration as an individual. Kirkwood and Weber State shall abide by these principles in the administration of this agreement, and neither party shall impose criteria for participation in this program that would violate the principles of nondiscrimination.
- This Agreement shall have a one (1) year term and shall automatically renew for successive one (1) year terms until the earlier of: (i) the tenth anniversary of the Effective Date or (ii) its termination pursuant to the provisions hereof.