

**Paramedic Transitional Respiratory Care Associate in Science Program  
Admission Requirements Checklist  
(Meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee admission)**

Term	**Applications Accepted	Application Review	Student Notified By Student E-mail
Fall: August	March 1 - May 15	May 16 - June 30	July 1

**HEC Requirements**

- ☐ Complete the [St. Petersburg College Admission Application](#) and pay the non-refundable fee.  
**\*Note to Returning Students** If you have not enrolled in courses in the six previous semesters, you will need to complete the online [Readmission Application in MySPC](#). You will be asked if you want to complete the readmission process when you log in to MySPC. Failure to do so will prohibit or delay your course enrollment.
- ☐ Submit official, unopened (sealed) high school transcript(s) or GED transcripts. We do not accept unofficial copies or official copies that have been opened. Applicants who have earned an Associate in Arts, Associate in Science, Associate in Applied Science, Baccalaureate, or higher degree from a regionally accredited institution are waived from this requirement.
- ☐ Submit official, unopened (sealed) transcripts from all regionally accredited colleges and/or universities. We do not accept unofficial copies or official copies that have been opened.
- ☐ Students must demonstrate they are at college level in Writing, Reading, and Math either through appropriate test scores, or through appropriate course completion.
- ☐ Students must have a cumulative 2.0 GPA.

**Program Admissions**

- ☐ Complete with grades of "C" or better:
  - BSC 2085 and BSC 2085L Human Anatomy and Physiology I and Lab
  - BSC 2086 and BSC 2086L Human Anatomy and Physiology II and Lab.
  - Computer/Information Literacy Competency
- ☐ Complete a minimum 12 credit hours in the general education and support courses of the [Respiratory Care curriculum](#) with grades of "C" or better. Must have a minimum 2.5 GPA in all pre-entry, general education, and support coursework.
- ☐ Submit Florida State Paramedic License number and issue date with Health Programs Application by going to <https://www.spcollege.edu/future-students/degrees-training/health-sciences-and-veterinary-technology/respiratory-care/respiratory-care-as-degree>
- ☐ Submit the Health Programs Application: <https://web.spcollege.edu/hec/application/apply>

*\*\*All transcripts must be received and evaluated by St. Petersburg College at least 30 days prior to the application deadline to ensure consideration.*

## Selection Criteria

Due to enrollment limitations, meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee admission. When the number of eligible applications exceeds the program availability, selective criteria will be used to determine which applicants will be offered admission. Students will be considered using a point system based on health program GPA, pre-entry, general education and support coursework completed, according to the following:

- **31** points may be awarded based on the number of health program pre-entry, general education and support coursework completed.
- **40** may be awarded based on the health program GPA (grades earned from pre entry, general education and support coursework. A grade of P will be assigned the value of the student's program GPA, excluding the computer competency).
- **All application requirements must be satisfied by the close of the application window.**

If you are not offered admission, you will need to reapply during the appropriate application acceptance period for your desired start date.

If you are offered admission you will need to complete the following pre-enrollment requirements by a specific due date to maintain eligible status.

- Complete the Letter of Intent survey (Provided in admission E-Mail)
- Successfully pass a [background check and drug screening](#). (Information and due date provided in Admission E-Mail)
- Complete the Health Examination Form and any required immunizations. (Form and due date provided at orientation)
- Complete the Health Education Program orientation. (Date provided in Admission E-Mail)

## Program Admission Statistics

**(Please Note: Transition applicants are considered part of the general respiratory care application pool for admission purposes.)**

On average, approximately 60-70 students apply for admissions each application period. Of these, typically 29 are accepted. The average GPA for acceptance varies based on the pool of applicants, but typically falls between 3.5 and 3.6 with most courses completed.

## Program Information

*First Year:* Mondays & Wednesdays from approximately 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

*Second Year:* Wednesdays from approximately 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Clinical rotations are on Mondays or Tuesdays from 6:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m. or from 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

*Summer:* Between the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year, students are in clinical rotations from 6:45 a.m.-2:45 p.m. on Thursdays and Fridays, and in class on Wednesdays from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. During the summer of the second year, students are in clinical rotations on Mondays and Tuesdays from 6:45 a.m.-2:45 p.m. and in class from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

## Accessibility Services

St. Petersburg College is committed to providing quality education and services to all students by ensuring that admission, academic programs, support services, student activities, and campus facilities are accessible to and usable by qualified students with disabilities. Each specific health program has its own [technical standards](#) which all students must meet with or without an accommodation(s). To help students achieve success, Accessibility Services works with students, faculty, and staff to coordinate the provision of reasonable accommodations. To put your accommodations in place, please contact the Health Education Center (HEC) Accessibility Services (AS) at 727-341-3721 or <http://go.spcollege.edu/Accessibility/> even if you are registered with another campus.

**Estimated Cost**

* <sup>1</sup> Tuition	**Physical & Immunizations	Drug & Background Check	Uniforms, Special Equipment Lab Fees & Other Costs	Textbooks	State Exam & License Fees	Total
\$4,694	\$900	\$136	\$500	\$900	\$790	\$7,920

\*<sup>1</sup>Tuition is estimated using the Florida resident rates. Out-of-state residents will have higher tuition fees.

<sup>1</sup>Tuition is for core coursework only. General Education and Support courses are not included.

\*\* These are high estimates; actual costs will vary depending on health insurance coverage.

**Ensuring Course Requirements are Satisfied**

\*It is the student's responsibility to make sure transfer coursework meets the course requirements for SPC.

Courses that transfer in as "Elective" 1999, 2999, 3999 or 4999 prefix do not satisfy requirements. The student may request Alternate Satisfaction for the specific course to see if the course will meet the specific requirements.

Ex: If speech transfers in as: SPC 1999 it does not meet the requirement for speech. If an alternate satisfaction is requested and approved the speech requirement would be met.

To initiate the alternate satisfaction request/review process:



**Alternative Satisfaction Survey**

Before you begin filling out this form, be sure to have the following available to upload:

- 1 - The syllabus of the course you wish to use to satisfy an SPC course (PDF or Word formats only).
- 2 - If the course was completed at another institution, an unofficial or official transcript (PDF or Word formats only).

Complete the Alternative Satisfaction Survey, which is now active at <https://web.spcollege.edu/survey/21215>

**Evaluating/Posting Transfer Credit to Your SPC Records**

Direct questions regarding transfer credit evaluation to [transcript.evaluator@spcollege.edu](mailto:transcript.evaluator@spcollege.edu)

**\*\*Students need to send an email from their SPC email address and include the following information when contacting Central Records:**

Student Name and SPC Student ID Number

Course prefix, number, title and term/year completed as it appears on student's original transcript

<b>PRE-ENTRY REQUIREMENT (9 credits) - May <u>not</u> be satisfied by an Associate in Arts or higher degree.</b>		<b>CREDIT POINTS</b>
BSC 2085- Human Anatomy & Physiology I		<b>3</b>
BSC 2085L- Human Anatomy & Physiology Laboratory I		<b>1</b>
BSC 2086 - Human Anatomy & Physiology II		<b>3</b>
BSC 2086L - Human Anatomy & Physiology Laboratory II		<b>1</b>
Computer/Information Literacy Competency Requirement ( <i>Not included in competitive GPA</i> )		<b>1</b>
<b>GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES (18 credits) May be satisfied by an Associate in Arts or higher degree.</b>		
ENC 1101- Composition I or (Honors)		<b>3</b>
Speech Communication		<b>3</b>
**Humanities/Fine Arts Approved Course		<b>3</b>
Mathematics - One college level course		<b>3</b>
**Social & Behavioral Sciences Approved Course		<b>3</b>
PHI 1600 – Applied Ethics or (PHI 1602H)		<b>3</b>
<b>SUPPORT COURSES (4 credits) May <u>not</u> be satisfied by an Associate in Arts or higher degree.</b>		
CHM 1025 – Introductory Chemistry		<b>3</b>
CHM 1025L – Introductory Chemistry Laboratory		<b>1</b>
<b>CREDIT POINT TOTAL</b>		<b>31</b>
<b><u>GPA CALCULATOR</u> (Program GPA multiplied by 10 = GPA Points)</b> <b>4.0 GPA x 10 = 40</b>		
<b>MAXIMUM POINT TOTAL = (CREDIT POINTS + GPA POINTS) = TOTAL POINTS</b>		
Credit Points		<b>31</b>
GPA Points		<b>40</b>
Total Points		<b>71</b>

\*\*Please note that you will need to satisfy the World View Requirement for graduation purposes.

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