



**College of Health Professions
Respiratory Care Program**

Retention Rate for 2023 - 2025

Graduating Class	Number of Students	Number of Graduates	Retention Rate
2025	5	2	100%
2024	6	2	100%
2023	6	3	83%
3-Year Total	17	7	94%*

The Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC) standard does not include the following students in its data to derive retention data. Students not included in the retention definition are those students who:

- leave the program by the last day they are eligible for 100% tuition reimbursement within the first term of fundamental respiratory care core coursework** or
- are in good academic standing who leave the program due to: financial, medical, or family reasons, military deployment, a change in their course of study, relocation to a different community, or reasons other than those described under academic reasons; or
- are admitted to another educational program (same or different educational institution) prior to the scheduled graduation date of their RT class.

*Programmatic enrollment begins when a student enrolls in the first core respiratory care course (non-survey, non-prerequisite) available only to students matriculated in the respiratory care program. This may differ from the institutional definition of the enrollment or matriculation dates.

**Fundamental respiratory care coursework is defined as: Professional coursework, focused on the preparation of the student as a competent Respiratory Therapist, as defined in CoARC Standard 3.01.

CoARC Programmatic retention: defined as the number of students formally enrolled* in a respiratory care program during a three-year reporting period who graduated from the program after completing all programmatic and graduation requirements, calculated as a percentage of the total number of students initially enrolled in that class. The total number of students enrolled includes those who successfully completed the program as well as students who left the program for academic reasons (failure to achieve minimum grade requirements, ethical, professional or behavioral violations or violations of academic policies) that resulted in their expulsion from the program prior to graduation.