Applying to a Bachelor of Science in Respiratory Care Program (BSRc)

UT Health San Antonio Application Information

UTSA does not offer a respiratory care program. Students are encouraged to complete their pre-requisites and then apply to the respiratory care program of their choice. UTHSA’s respiratory care program information is listed below.

To apply:
- Students must complete at least 60 hours of coursework, with a minimum grade of ‘C’ (including Texas core curriculum) to matriculate to the respiratory care program.
- Minimum grade point average of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale)
- Two letters of recommendation are required
- Students must complete the Texas Common Application on www.applytexas.org.
- Test scores are not required as part of the admissions process

Below is the timeline students often follow when applying to the respiratory care program:

The deadline to apply to the respiratory care program at UTHSA is June 15, 2017. Qualified students will be invited for interviews. More information about UTHSA’s respiratory care programs can be found on their webpage: [http://www.uthscsa.edu/academics/health-professions/programs/bachelor-respiratory-care](http://www.uthscsa.edu/academics/health-professions/programs/bachelor-respiratory-care).

Helpful Resources

- There are five Bachelor’s programs for Respiratory Care in Texas. Information about the schools can be found here: [http://www.texashotjobs.org/default.htm](http://www.texashotjobs.org/default.htm).
- For students who have completed a bachelor’s degree in another subject, information is available about a Master of Science in Respiratory Care: [http://www.uthscsa.edu/academics/health-professions/programs/master-respiratory-care](http://www.uthscsa.edu/academics/health-professions/programs/master-respiratory-care).
- The American Association for Respiratory Care (AARC) has detailed information about career opportunities and important information for students pursuing respiratory care on their website: [www.aarc.org](http://www.aarc.org).
- Explorehealthcareers.org has extensive information about working conditions, academic requirements and salaries for respiratory therapists.

Respiratory Care Pre-requisites (UT Health San Antonio)

- MAT 1023: College Algebra
- STA 1053 OR PSY 2073: Basic Statistics or Stats for Psychology
- BIO 1233 OR BIO 1404 (UTSA pre-requisite): Contemporary Biology or Biosciences I
- BIO 2053 & BIO 2051: Anat & Physio I & Lab
- BIO 2063 & BIO 2061: : Anat & Physio II & Lab
- BIO 1053 & BIO 1061: Microbiology & Lab
- CHE 1004 OR CHE 1103 & CHE 1121 : Chem for Allied Science or General Chemistry I & lab
- PHY 1603 & PHY 1611 : Algebra-based Physics I & Lab
- WRC 1013: Freshman Composition I
- WRC 1023: Freshman Composition II
- SOC 1013: Introduction to Sociology OR PSY 1013: Introduction to Psychology
- 2 of the following: HIS 1043, HIS 1053 and HIS 2053
- POL 1013
- POL 1133
- Art Core (approved from Texas core)
- Humanities: Core LIT, PHI, Modern/CLA, Cultural Studies
- Electives to complete 60 hours (Please consult advisor.)

***Students must be core complete to matriculate to the Bachelor of Science in Respiratory Care program.

Health Professions Advising

Newly-admitted UTSA students are assigned an advisor based on their major. For respiratory care students, who are often undeclared, advising takes place in Student Placement Advising Center. However, as students completing pre-requisites and not pursuing a degree at UTSA, they are encouraged to meet with a Health Professions Advisor as early as possible to ensure proper respiratory care pre-requisites are completed.

When to meet with a Health Professions Advisor:
- Orientation
- At least once per academic year to discuss coursework and current competitiveness for respiratory care programs
- One semester prior to applying for a respiratory care program

What to expect from an advising meeting: Course selection, discussion of GPA competitiveness, application timeline, majors related to Respiratory Care, Health Professions Pathways