

Bachelor of Science in Respiratory Care (BSRC) Application Instructions

1. Complete the BSRC Application and respond to all questions. Do not leave any blanks and mark “N/A” if not applicable.

An overall GPA of 2.50 is required and completion of all RC Pre-requisite courses to be considered for admission. If you are planning to complete pre-req requirements by August, you may apply to the program by May 1 with clarification/documentation of intent for pre-req completion. A transcript from all institutions attended must be returned with the applicant packet and all applicants are expected to apply and be accepted to Texas State prior to admission to the BSRC Program.

Upload a short video explaining why Respiratory Care is the career for you.

All applications must be submitted by May 1. The RC Admission Committee will begin the review process immediately. The 40 most highly-qualified students will be offered program acceptance with a wait-list of potential candidates should acceptance offers be declined. Incomplete applications and packets will be considered “inactive.” All applicants will be notified of their status by June 1.

Enclose a written statement stating 1) Why you wish to pursue respiratory care as a career and 2) Why did you choose the BSRC Program at Texas State University to achieve this career goal?

Please read the ADA Standards Statement, sign and return with your packet.
Submit your completed packet by mail to: Department of Respiratory Care

Texas State University
Willow Hall 214
200 Bobcat Way
Round Rock, TX 78665

Applications may also be submitted through the secure upload button on our website or directly in the Department of Respiratory Care in Willow Hall room 214.

Applicants accepted to the BSRC Program will be required to complete a criminal background check with drug screening, provide proof of immunization & general health, and are strongly encouraged to have personal health insurance coverage.

PRE-REQUISITE Check-off Completion List

Applicant, please check off completion of the Pre-req courses below:

Note: If a course is pending completion, please attach a note explaining **when** you expect to complete it and at **which educational institution**.

Applicant Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Pre-requisites = 60 hours Total

US 1100 University Seminar
ENG 1310 College Writing I
POSI 2310 Principles of American Government
3 hours of: Social/Behavior Science - PSY 1300 or SOC 1310
BIO 1330 Functional Biology (Pre-req to BIO 2440)
3 hours of: 2313 - Introduction to Fine Arts from
16 hours ART,DAN,MU, or TH

BIO 2430 Human Physiology & Anatomy
ENG 1320 College Writing II
COMM 1310 Fundamentals of Human Communication
HIST 1310 History of US to 1877
MATH 1315 College Algebra

16 hours

HIST 1320 History of US 1877 to Date
HIM 2360 Meddical Terminology
3 hours of: Eng. Literature: ENG 2310, 2320, 2330, 2340, 2359, 2360
3 hours of: Philosophy PHIL 1305 or PHIL 1320
CHEM General Chemistry I

15 hours

POSI 2320 Functions of American Government
4 hours of: Microbiology BIO 2440 or BIO 2400
3 hours of: STATS from HP 3302, SOC 3307, PSY 3301, CJ 3347, MATH 2328
PHYS Elementary Physics

13 hours

RC 2213 Introduction to Respiratory Care (elective @ TX State)

Foreign Language Proficiency
(Two years of the same language in HS or 2 semesters of the same language in college)

Minimum 2.5 Overall GPA to Apply

**APPLICATION FOR RESPIRATORY CARE PROGRAM
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN RESPIRATORY CARE (BSRC)
TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY**

This application is for program admission

BSRC Program (Fall start)

Net ID: _____

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Legal Name _____
Last
First
Middle

Social Security Number _____/_____/_____ Texas State University ID: A_____

CURRENT mailing address _____
Street

City
State
Zip
E-mail address

Home Phone No. (_____) _____ Cell Phone No. (_____) _____

Date of Birth _____/_____/_____ Male Female

Ethnic Origin (Optional)-Check One: White Black Hispanic Indian Asian Foreign National

PERMANENT Address _____

Note: This address _____
Street

should be constant;
 one where you can be _____
 reached now and in _____
 future years _____

City
State
Zip

(_____) _____

Telephone

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

Please list each high school and college/university attended or will attend prior to enrolling at Texas State. You may use another sheet if necessary.

Name of School	City, State	Dates of Attendance	Diploma/Degree or Semester Hrs.	GPA

Veteran Status: Are you a veteran? _____ If yes, what military Branch? _____

1. Have you previously applied for admission to the Texas State University RC Program?
 If yes, when?
2. How did you learn about the Texas State BSRC program?
3. Were you ever required to leave high school, college, graduate or professional school or ever denied readmission due to deficiencies of conduct or scholarship? _____ If yes, attached a written explanation.
4. Do you hold a credential/license in a healthcare profession? _____ List:
5. Have you ever worked in Respiratory Care? _____ If yes, when and where:
6. RC Students are required to attend clinical classed in the Austin/Round Rock surrounding areas. Please state your tentative clinical city preference.*
**Although efforts are made to meet requests, your clinical choice does not guarantee placement.*
7. Do you own a car? _____ Where do you plan to reside while at Texas State? *
**For clinical assignment purposes only*
8. How would you rate your general health?

HEALTH & IMMUNIZATION INFORMATION

Each student admitted to the Respiratory Care Program is required to have a Health Report completed by a Licensed Health Care Provider. The report will indicate completion of a physical exam and immunizations for poliomyelitis, measles, mumps, rubella, tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis, TB test or chest X-ray or blood titer, varicella, Hepatitis B, and annual flu shot. Documentation is the responsibility of the student and a copy of the Health Report must be kept on file in the department.

CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK/DRUG SCREENING/PROOF OF IMMUNIZATION: Background checks, drug screening, and proof of immunization are required following initial acceptance into the program. Applicants must successfully clear each of these three requirements to be fully accepted into the program. Applicants who fail to clear each of these three requirements will not be accepted into the program.

Based on the Respiratory Care Practitioners Act for the State of Texas (Occupations Code, Title 3, Subtitle K, Chapter 604), the Respiratory Care Practitioner (RCP) license is required to practice respiratory therapy in the State of Texas under the purview of the Texas Medical Board (TMB). An applicant applying for the RCP license can be denied if convicted of any misdemeanor and/or felony offense defined as a crime by statute or common law; or has been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony offense under various titles of the Texas Penal Code. Misdemeanor or felony convictions under various titles of the Texas Penal Code may affect eligibility for state respiratory care practitioner license status following graduation and/or admission consideration to the BSRC program. All applications are reviewed to meet required criteria and specific background circumstances are reviewed on an individual basis. Have you been previously convicted of a misdemeanor or felony offense? **If yes, attach a written explanation.**

Texas State University is not required to admit to the program an applicant with a flagged background check who has been given tentative clearance for a license by the Texas Medical Board. Applicants should be aware that such clearance by the TMB does not guarantee an applicant's employability.

MEDICAL HEALTHCARE INSURANCE COVERAGE is highly recommended for all students admitted to the BSRC program, but not required.

PROOF OF COMPLETION OF AN AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION (AHA) COURSE IN BASIC LIFE SUPPORT (BLS) FOR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS WILL BE REQUIRED for all students admitted to the BSRC program.

Finally, applicants should be aware that the University does not control the individual requirements of hospital systems for clinical rotations and employment and that such requirements might directly impact an applicant's ability to complete their clinical education, obtain future employment, or obtain appropriate licensure.

I understand that the Respiratory Care Program Admissions Committee cannot make any decision regarding my application until this application, transcripts for all courses, and other supporting material have been received. If I have pre-requisite courses in progress, I understand that if I am accepted into the program that the acceptance is conditional upon satisfactory completion of these courses by the end of the summer session prior to fall admission to the Program. Transcripts showing additional work after acceptance must also be submitted.

I certify that the information in this application is complete and correct and understand that the submission of false information is grounds for rejection of my application, withdrawal of any offer of acceptance, cancellation of enrollment, or appropriate disciplinary action.

Notice for Request of Social Security Number for Student Application Process

Disclosure of your Social Security number is requested for the student records system of Texas State University and for compliance with federal and state reporting requirements. Federal law requires that you provide your SSN if you are applying for financial aid. Although a SSN is not required for admission to the university, failure to provide your SSN may result in delays in processing your application or in the university's inability to match your application with transcripts, test scores, and other materials. Student SSNs are maintained and used by the university for financial aid, internal verification, and administrative purposes, and for reports to federal and state agencies as required by law. The privacy and confidentiality of student records is protected by law and the university will not disclose your SSN without your consent for any other purposes except as allowed by law. With few exceptions, the individual is entitled on request to be informed about the information that the institution collects about the individual; to receive and review the information; and to have the institution correct information about the individual that is incorrect.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Application forms and accompanying documents (including transcripts) become the property of Texas State. Materials will not be returned or copied for applicants. If there are circumstances, which may have an influence on your admission, which you would like for those reviewing your application to know about, please describe on a separate sheet and attach.

Form edited: 7/20/18

The Respiratory Care Profession & ADA Standards

ADA Standards Americans with Disabilities Act In keeping with its mission and goals, and in compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Department of Respiratory Care in the College of Health Professions at Texas State University promotes an environment of respect and support for persons with disabilities and will make reasonable accommodations. The definition of individuals with disabilities are those who currently have, have a record of having, or are regarded as having a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activity. Major life activities include caring for oneself, performing manual tasks, walking, seeing, hearing, breathing, and working. A major life activity also includes the operation of a major bodily function, including but not limited to, functions of the immune system, normal cell growth, digestive, bowel, bladder, neurological, brain, respiratory, circulatory, endocrine, and reproductive functions.

Individuals applying for admission, progression to clinical courses, and graduation from a program in Respiratory Care must be able to meet the physical and emotional requirements of the academic program. In addition, students admitted to the Respiratory Care Program must possess the following qualities:

- The emotional maturity and stability to approach highly stressful human situations in a calm and rational manner.
- The ability to make clinical judgment using critical thinking
- The ability to adhere to ethical standards of conduct as well as applicable state and federal laws
- The ability to provide effective written, oral, and nonverbal communication with patients and their families, colleagues, health care providers, and the public
- The ability to successfully complete all requirements needed to receive ACLS certification as defined by the American Heart Association
- The ability to touch through physical contact patients of all ages, gender, and conditions in a caring, professional manner in order to administer the appropriate diagnostics and therapeutics.

An individual who poses a direct threat to the health or safety of others or themselves may be denied admission, progression or graduation. The RC Department's determination that a person poses a direct threat will be based on an individualized assessment that relies on current medical evidence or on the best available evidence to assess the nature, duration, and severity of the risk and the probability that the potential injury will actually occur. In order to fulfill the requirements of the BSRC program at Texas State, students must be able to meet the physical demands associated with the profession. Examples of these requirements include but are not limited to the following:

Code: F = frequently O = Occasionally NP = Not Present

Physical Demands	Code
Standing	F
Walking	F
Sitting	F
Lifting (up to 125 pounds)	O
Carrying	O
Pushing	F
Pulling	O
Stooping	F
Kneeling	F
Reaching	F
Fingering	F
Talking	F
Hearing	F
Seeing	F
Communicating	F
Touching through physical contact with patient	F

For specific Performance Standards associated with the Respiratory Therapist Program, please contact the RC Department Chair. Because of the unique responsibilities involved in all healthcare professions, the program reserves the right to require that the student who appears to be unsuited for the RC program withdraw from the program and be guided into another course of study in the university.

I have read the above usual and customary physical requirements for the Respiratory Care Profession and ADA Standards and I understand and am willing to comply with the physical demands of the profession.

printed name

date

signature