RESPIRATORY CARE - B.S.

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Description
The Bachelor of Science degree in Respiratory Care is a fully online completer program designed to prepare qualified respiratory therapists with the necessary knowledge and skills to develop professionalism and advance their careers in the areas of leadership, management, education, research, disease and sleep medicine utilizing best practices in order to advance the practice of respiratory care.

FULLY OFFERED AT:
• Online Only

Admission Requirements
Admission to the Respiratory Care major is selective. Applicants must hold an active credential for certified respiratory therapist (CRT) or registered respiratory therapist (RRT) and an associate degree from a CoARC-accredited respiratory therapy/care program with a minimum 2.000 overall GPA.

Applicants who are actively enrolled and in good standing in the second year of a CoARC-accredited entry-level associate degree in respiratory therapy/care or are actively enrolled and in good standing in the third year of a CoARC-accredited bachelor's degree in respiratory therapy/care may be conditionally enrolled in the program.

Program Learning Outcomes
Graduates of this program will be able to:
1. Incorporate theory, research, evidence and best practices to enhance respiratory care practice.
2. Understand the function and organizational structure of the respiratory care department from a management perspective.
3. Understand leadership principles as a leader or team member.
4. Demonstrate techniques and strategies of teaching and learning of respiratory therapy utilized in various venues.
5. Identify a variety of sleep and breathing disorders and exhibit a fundamental understanding of the application and interpretation of sleep studies in the diagnosis of related disorders.
6. Apply critical thinking in the area of managing chronic disease and the impact healthcare professionals have on affecting positive patient population outcomes.
7. Describe research methodology and design and their application to health science research and their application to everyday health care.
8. Exhibit knowledge in specified areas of advanced respiratory care practice.
9. Identify and analyze current contemporary issues in respiratory care and their impact on the profession and delivery of care.
10. Understand relevant and current healthcare policy and delivery systems.
11. Identify information management and information systems, technology and the human/technology interface utilized in professional healthcare practice.

University Requirements
All students in a bachelor's degree program at Kent State University must complete the following university requirements for graduation.

NOTE: University requirements may be fulfilled in this program by specific course requirements. Please see Program Requirements for details.

Kent Core Requirements

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Program Requirements

Major Requirements

[RE-BS-RSPC]

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RSPC 30002  LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT IN RESPIRATORY CARE  3
RSPC 30004  EDUCATIONAL INSTRUCTION IN RESPIRATORY CARE  3
RSPC 30006  SLEEP MEDICINE AND POLYSOMNOGRAPHY  3
RSPC 40002  RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT IN RESPIRATORY CARE (WIC)  3
RSPC 40004  ADVANCED PRACTICE IN RESPIRATORY CARE  3
RSPC 40006  CONTEMPORARY ISSUES AND TRENDS IN RESPIRATORY CARE  3
RSPC 40008  CHRONIC DISEASE MANAGEMENT PRINCIPLES  3
RSPC 40075  INFORMATION AND PATIENT CARE TECHNOLOGY FOR HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS  3
RSPC 41092  PRACTICUM FOR RESPIRATORY CARE (ELR)  3

Additional Requirements (courses do not count in major GPA)

PSYC 11762  GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY (DIVD) (KSS)  3
UC 10097  DESTINATION KENT STATE: FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE  1

Statistics Electives, choose from the following:  3-4

- MATH 10041  INTRODUCTORY STATISTICS (KMCR)
- MATH 12022  PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS FOR LIFE SCIENCES  2
- MATH 30011  BASIC PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS  2
- MIS 24056  FUNDAMENTALS OF BUSINESS STATISTICS
- PH 30002  INTRODUCTORY BIOSTATISTICS
- PSYC 21621  QUANTITATIVE METHODS IN PSYCHOLOGY I
- SOC 32220 & SOC 32221  DATA ANALYSIS and DATA ANALYSIS LABORATORY

Kent Core Composition  6
Kent Core Mathematics and Critical Reasoning  3
Kent Core Humanities and Fine Arts (minimum one course from each)  9
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Kent Core Additional  6
General Electives (total credit hours depends on earning 120 credit hours, including 39 upper-division credit hours)  47

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 120

1 A minimum C grade must be earned to fulfill the writing-intensive requirement.
2 MATH 12022 and MATH 30011 are not offered online presently.
3 The majority of general elective credit hours may be transfer courses from an associate degree in respiratory care/therapy.

Progression Requirements

To be able to register for Respiratory Care (RSPC) courses, students must be admitted to professional study. Admission is a selective process. Criteria for admission are the following:

- Official transcript of associate degree
- Evidence of earned CRT or RRT credential
- Evidence of current active license to practice respiratory therapy
- Minimum C grade in PSYC 11762 (or equivalent)

Graduation Requirements

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Roadmap

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