

Respiratory Therapy Baccalaureate of Science Degree Completion Program

This program is offered online and in a hybrid format. (Please see an Admissions Advisor for a list of the SJVC campuses where the hybrid format is offered.)

Program Description

SJVC's Bachelor of Science in Respiratory Therapy Degree Completion Program may be completed fully online or in a hybrid format. The program is designed for Registered Respiratory Therapists having graduated from a CoARC accredited associates degree program who want to advance their career. The Bachelor of Science Degree in Respiratory Care affords excellent opportunities for professional growth and development with the necessary education in leadership, education, research and critical care.

Program Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this program, the graduate will be able to:

1. Articulate various current professional and clinical roles and potential expanded roles related to the respiratory therapy profession including describing professional behavior, monitoring the quality of respiratory care and listing changes in technology and knowledge base.
2. Demonstrate knowledge in critical care pathophysiology to interpret pertinent clinical information to make recommendations for appropriate therapeutic intervention.
3. Demonstrate effective written and oral communication skills.
4. Demonstrate the ability to access, interpret, and critically appraise relevant medical and other authoritative literature related to clinical practice, administration, education, and/or research associated with the respiratory therapy profession.
5. Develop an original project or research proposal related to clinical practice, administration, education, and/or research associated with the respiratory therapy profession.



Admission Requirements: To be considered for admission to the Respiratory Therapy Degree Completion Program, students meet the following minimum admission eligibility requirements:

- Have an Associate of Science Degree in Respiratory Care with a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or better from your associate degree program that is a CoARC accredited associate respiratory therapy program within a regionally accredited institution.
- Hold a current unencumbered license as a Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT) in California or in the state of current employment.

Graduation Requirements: Successful completion (grade of "C" or higher) of the core and general education courses listed below.

Core Courses

<u>Course ID</u>	<u>Course Name</u>	<u>Credit Units</u>
RCP400	Protocol Based Critical Care	3.0
RCP410	Education Principles for Healthcare Professionals	3.0
RCP420	Management Principles for the Healthcare Professional	3.0
RCP430	Establishing Best Practices in Quality Improvement of Healthcare	3.0
RCP440	Research and Evidence-Based Practice in Healthcare	3.0
RCP450	Current and Emerging Technology in Respiratory Care	3.0
RCP460	Fundamentals of Interdisciplinary Critical Care	3.0
RCP470	Capstone Seminar	3.0
Total		24.00

General Education Courses

<u>Course ID</u>	<u>Course Name</u>	<u>Credit Units</u>
HUM325	Cross-Cultural Communication	3.0
HST301	American Political Thought from Reconstruction to the Present	3.0
ENG321	Writing for Research	3.0
Total		9.0

Credit for A.S. Degree in Respiratory Therapy	70.00
Credit for Possession of current RRT license	25.0

Total Program Units **128.00**