

BACCALAUREATE DEGREE PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Respiratory Therapy

This program is offered **Online**.

Program Description

SJVC's Bachelor of Science in Respiratory Therapy Program may be completed in 65 weeks. The program is designed for Registered Respiratory Therapists having graduated from a CoARC or CAAHEP accredited associates degree Respiratory Therapy 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 successful student 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 Program, applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Hold an Associate of Science Degree in Respiratory Care, awarded by a regionally or nationally accredited institution with a CoARC or CAAHEP accredited program
- Successful completion of a minimum of 70.0 units of lower division courses (may include lower division respiratory care coursework)
- Hold a current unencumbered credential licensure as a Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT), and current unencumbered licensure as a Respiratory Care Practitioner (RCP) in California or in the state of current employment

Graduation Requirements: Successful completion of the courses listed below with a grade of “C” or higher.

Graduate Placement

The following job categories are considered in-field placements for graduates of the Respiratory Therapy Baccalaureate Degree program. Detailed information for each Standard Occupational Code (SOC) can be found at <http://www.onetonline.org/>.

- Respiratory Therapists (29-1126.00)
- Respiratory Therapy Technicians (29-2054.00)
- Clinical Research Coordinators (11-9121.01)
- Health Educators (21-1091.00)

- Medical and Health Services Managers (11-9111.00)

Respiratory Courses

<u>Course ID</u>	<u>Course Name</u>	<u>Credit Units</u>
RCP 401	Protocol Based Critical Care	4.0
RCP 410	Education Principles for Healthcare Professionals	3.0
HC 420	Management Principles for the Healthcare Professional	4.0
HC 430	Establishing Best Practices in Quality Improvement of Healthcare	4.0
RCP 440	Research and Evidence-Based Practice in Healthcare	5.0
RCP 450	Health Care Finance	4.0
RCP 460	Advanced Respiratory Practice for Critical Care	4.0
HC 470	Research Capstone	5.0
Total		33.0

General Education Courses

<u>Course ID</u>	<u>Course Name</u>	<u>Credit Units</u>
HUM 325	Cross-Cultural Communication	3.0
HST 301	American Political Thought from Reconstruction to the Present	3.0
ENG 321	Writing for Research	4.0
PSY 302	Group Dynamics	4.0
STS 301	Introduction to Statistics	4.0
Total		18.0

Transfer Credit	70.00
Total Program Units	121.00