

What Can I Do With This **Ohio State** Major?

Bachelor of Science

Respiratory Therapy

School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences

Respiratory therapists are licensed health professionals who provide care to patients with cardiopulmonary disorders such as asthma, emphysema, prematurity, and trauma. Therapists work in a variety of settings including intensive care units, emergency departments, cardiopulmonary diagnostic and sleep disorder laboratories, community hospitals, clinics, and home care. They perform cardiopulmonary diagnostic tests, administer medications, monitor cardiopulmonary status, perform CPR, and apply ventilatory life support technology.

Career Areas/Job Titles:

Health Professions

Respiratory Therapist
Critical Care Specialist
Rehabilitation Specialist
Home Health Care Technician
Neonatal/Pediatric Specialist

Pulmonary Laboratory
Technologist
Sleep Laboratory Technologist

Education

Professor
Health Instructor
Pulmonary Disease Educator

Researcher

Non-Profit/Advocacy

Public Health Educator

Science and Technology

**Some careers may require licensure, certification, or further education. Talk to an advisor about specific requirements.*

Transferable Skills:

Basic Computer Skills
Biology
Chemistry
Human Anatomy
Physics
Interviewing
Listening Skills
Provide/Respond to Feedback
Speaking Effectively
Use Technology Effectively
Written Communication
Counseling Skills
Cultural Understanding

Motivating Others
Teaching/Instructing Others
Teamwork
Conceptualizing
Defining Needs
Developing Evaluation
Strategies
Gathering Information
Identifying Problems
Research Skills
Adaptability/Flexibility
Attention to Detail
Judgment & Decision Making

Managing Time/Stress
Coaching/Mentoring
Delegating Tasks
Organization Skills
Prioritizing Tasks
Multi-tasking
Quantitative Reasoning
Analytical/Critical Thinking
Problem Solving
*Licensure Obtained Upon
Grad

**This is not an extensive list of transferable skills. See larger list of skills you might develop here:
<http://ccss.osu.edu>*

Professional Links:

American Association for Respiratory Care: <http://www.aarc.org/>

The National Board for Respiratory Care: <http://www.nbrc.org/>

Coalition for Baccalaureate and Graduate Education in Respiratory Therapy: <http://www.cobgrte.org/>

American Respiratory Care Foundation: <http://www.arcfoundation.org/>