The Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Respiratory Therapy offers registered respiratory therapists the opportunity to enhance and advance their professional career in respiratory care with additional education in administration, research and evaluation, and advanced critical care. The Respiratory Therapy major is housed in the Department of Kinesiology.

Respiratory Therapy is an allied-health profession that is an integral part of the health care team that cares for patients with deficiencies and abnormalities of the cardiopulmonary system. Respiratory therapists perform cardiopulmonary diagnostic and therapeutic procedures on patients ranging from newborns to the elderly in a variety of care settings.
**Respiratory Therapy Major Courses**

- RESP 3101 Professional Roles & Dimensions of Respiratory Therapy
- RESP 3102 Outpatient Services in Respiratory Therapy
- RESP 3103 Advanced Pharmacology in Respiratory Therapy
- RESP 3104 Critical Care Pathophysiology
- RESP 3105 Advanced Critical Care Monitoring
- RESP 4101 Program Design, Implementation and Outcomes Evaluation
- RESP 4102 Program Administration
- RESP 4103 Evidence Based Practice
- RESP 4104 Advanced Cardiopulmonary Physiology
- NURN 4201 Information Technology: Applications in Healthcare
- RESP 4111 Practicum

*Other Required Courses: Students will also need to take various elective courses in order to fulfill the 120 hours needed to graduate. Elective courses will be selected through program advisement.*

**Admission Requirements**

This program is designed for people who have already obtained an Associate Degree in Respiratory Therapy. Admission is a two-part process:

- Apply as a transfer student to the university [uncc.edu/admissions](http://uncc.edu/admissions)
- Apply to the BSRT program [DistanceEd.uncc.edu/programs/RT](http://DistanceEd.uncc.edu/programs/RT)

**Prerequisites for Admission**

Criteria for admission to the program are a current unencumbered license as a Registered Respiratory Therapist, a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or better from your Associate Degree program that is a CoARC-accredited respiratory therapy program from a regionally accredited college and must earn at least a C in all coursework taken by the end of the semester prior to the semester for which application is made. For more admissions information visit: [uncc.edu/admissions](http://uncc.edu/admissions)

**Financial Aid**

Students are eligible for financial aid under the same guidelines/regulations as students admitted to on-campus programs. Please check the Financial Aid website for more information: [uncc.edu/finaid](http://uncc.edu/finaid)

**Student Services & Resources**

**Access to Technology and Technical Assistance**

In order to participate in this distance education program, students will need personal, extended and convenient access to a computer and the internet. High speed internet access is highly recommended. Information regarding specific hardware and software requirements will be provided by the Office of Distance Education. Students will be provided technical assistance that can be accessed via the internet or through a special toll-free telephone number.

**Library Resources**

Students have full access to the Atkins Library on the UNC Charlotte campus, including its electronic databases, through the internet and on campus visits. A Distance Education librarian is available for consultation via toll-free phone, fax and email.

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**Helpful Websites**

- Department of Kinesiology: [kinesiology.uncc.edu](http://kinesiology.uncc.edu)
- Office of Distance Education: [DistanceEd.uncc.edu](http://DistanceEd.uncc.edu)
- Undergraduate Admissions: [uncc.edu/admissions](http://uncc.edu/admissions)

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