

# BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN **RESPIRATORY CARE**

Building upon the foundation of an associate degree in respiratory therapy, Kent State University at Ashtabula's Bachelor of Science degree in Respiratory Care is the solution for both students completing an associate degree and working respiratory therapists that wish to expand their career options. Our accredited\* completer program is offered in an accelerated format that offers 7-week courses and is completely online. We're now accepting applications and invite students to apply.

## ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Bachelor of Science in Respiratory Care degree program is a fully online completer program designed to prepare qualified graduates of associate degree programs with the necessary knowledge and skills for a role in management, research, teaching, and more. In addition, the program uses best practices to teach leadership skills, disease management, and sleep medicine specializations to enhance students' practice of respiratory care.

Students enrolled in the program will benefit from:

- ▶ Courses designed to fit the busy schedule of a working RT.
- ▶ Courses developed following the AARC's "2015 and Beyond" competency guidelines.
- ▶ Credit(s) received for coursework completed in an accredited associate degree program\*.
- ▶ A personalized plan of study, or roadmap, that shows required classes to earn their Bachelor's degree.

- ▶ **100% Online Program**
- ▶ **Complete BSRC in two years or less**
- ▶ **Prepare for a role in management, education, or research**
- ▶ **Enjoy lower-cost regional campus tuition rates!**
- ▶ **Start any semester**

## APPLY NOW

Interested students are encouraged to find out more information about the program and apply online at [www.kent.edu/ashtabula/bsrc](http://www.kent.edu/ashtabula/bsrc).

Grants, loans, and scholarships are available to qualified students.

## NEED MORE INFORMATION?

Contact Program Director Yvonne George at [ygeorge@kent.edu](mailto:ygeorge@kent.edu) or by phone at 440-964-4308

[WWW.KENT.EDU/ASHTABULA/BSRC](http://WWW.KENT.EDU/ASHTABULA/BSRC)

## ADMISSION TO THE PROGRAM

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 cumulative 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.

## TRANSFER STUDENTS

Kent State Ashtabula accepts all college level courses from regionally accredited institutions. For additional information about accreditation\* and/or credit transfer, visit [www.kent.edu/credittransfer](http://www.kent.edu/credittransfer).

## COURSE REQUIREMENTS

## CREDITS

### Major Program Requirements

RSPC 30000	Professional Practice in Respiratory Care	3
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 40008	Chronic Disease Management Principles	3
RSPC 40002	Research Development in Respiratory Care <sup>2</sup>	3
RSPC 40004	Advanced Practice in Respiratory Care	3
RSPC 40006	Contemporary Issues and Trends in Respiratory Care	3
RSPC 40075	Information and Patient Care Tech. for Professional Practice	3
RSPC 41092	Practicum for Respiratory Care	3
NURS 46000	Healthcare Policy	3

### Additional Program Requirements

*(Courses completed in associate degree may be transferred and evaluated for application to BSRC degree)*

LIB 30010	Information Fluency in the Workplace and Beyond	3
PSYC 11762	General Psychology	3
US 10097	Destination Kent State: First Year Experience <sup>1</sup>	1
Statistics	Choose from approved courses	3

### Kent Core - General Education Requirements

*(Courses completed in associate degree may be transferred and evaluated for application to BS degree)*

Kent Core Composition	6
Kent Core Mathematics and Critical Reasoning	3-5
Kent Core Humanities and Fine Arts (min. one course from each)	9
Kent Core Social Sciences	3
Kent Core Additional	6
Kent Core Basic Sciences (must include one laboratory)	6-7

### General Electives

3

### Associate Degree Respiratory Therapy Coursework and General Electives<sup>2</sup>

47

## MINIMUM REQUIRED FOR DEGREE COMPLETION

120

1. US 10097 is not required of transfer students with 25 credits or students age 21+ at time of admission.
2. Number of elective credits required depends on meeting minimum 120 credit hours and 39 upper-division hours.

### \* ACCREDITATION

Kent State University is an affiliate of the National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges and the American Association of State Colleges and Universities. The university is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and a member of the North Central Association. For additional information visit [www.kent.edu/aal/accreditation](http://www.kent.edu/aal/accreditation).

Students may receive up to **37** credits for completed Respiratory Therapy coursework and may receive additional credits for completed prerequisite coursework.