



Bachelor of Science in Respiratory Therapy (BSRT)



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100% Online



16-Month Program



CoARC-Accredited*



Pima Medical Institute's Bachelor of Science in Respiratory Therapy is a degree completion program intended to instill in current respiratory therapists the professional approaches needed to become successful communicators, critical thinkers, global citizens and conscientious leaders. The curriculum fosters critical thinking, encourages professional leadership and development and inspires a strong appreciation of ethical values and cultural diversity.

Students will:

- Acquire the skills and **knowledge above what is typically attained** at the associate degree level.
- Focus on **furthering their respiratory skills** with advanced use and understanding of evidence-based treatment.
- Learn **leadership and management** concepts.
- Grow **communication and leadership skills**.
- Gain **advanced knowledge of technology** and its use in respiratory therapy.

*The Degree Advancement Respiratory Care Program, CoARC #510043, Bachelor of Science in Respiratory Therapy Online, holds Provisional Accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (www.coarc.com). This status signifies that a program with an Approval of Intent has demonstrated sufficient compliance with the Standards (through submission of an acceptable Provisional Accreditation Self-Study Report (PSSR) and any other documentation required by the CoARC, as well as satisfactory completion of an initial on-site visit), to be allowed to admit students. It is recognized as an accredited program by the National Board of Respiratory Care (NBRC), which provides enrolled students who complete the program with eligibility for the Respiratory Care Credentialing Examination(s). The program will remain on Provisional Accreditation until it achieves Continuing Accreditation.



Student Outcomes

Program Focuses

- Examine current issues and trends in respiratory care—including behavioral, social and cultural competency—that influence management in health care
- Apply critical thinking and problem-solving skills related to management in the respiratory therapy profession
- Integrate effective leadership techniques and practices used in the health care setting
- Communicate effectively in oral, written and visual forms in the professional setting
- Address problems and issues in respiratory care through competent research, analysis and critical thinking
- Synthesize relevant peer-reviewed literature related to respiratory care practice, management, education and/or research associated with the profession

Professional Outcomes

- Create a professional portfolio supported by a Capstone Project and other BSRT accomplishments that will ready you for your next career goal
- Be prepared for higher-level leadership and management positions
- Be prepared to enter an education career
- Foster higher education objectives, such as pursuing a master's degree in organizational leadership, a master's degree in education or pursuing other available career options in the medical field

Program Curriculum

Course	Credits
Semester I (16 Weeks)	
Advanced College Writing	3.0
Microcomputer Applications	3.0
Health Care Management	3.0
Spanish for the Medical Professional	3.0
Semester II (16 Weeks)	
Statistical Concepts	3.0
Critical Thinking	3.0
Introduction to Evidence Based Practice	3.0
Health Care Law and Compliance	3.0
Semester III (16 Weeks)	
Public Health	3.0
Polysomnography	3.0
Home Health	3.0
Leadership in Respiratory Care or Education Foundations for Allied Health Professionals	3.0
Semester IV (16 Weeks)	
Patient Information & Management	3.0
Pathophysiology	3.0
Disease Management & Wellness Promotion	3.0
Professional Capstone	4.0
Transfer of Credit Requirement (15 general education, 44 respiratory therapy, 12 related credits)	71.0
Semesters I - IV Totals	49.0
Program Total with Block Transfer	120.0



Why Choose Pima Medical Institute?

Since we opened our doors in Tucson, Ariz. back in 1972, Pima Medical has been focused on our mission to improve the quality of people's lives by providing the best value in medical career education. 50 years later, we remained focused on a student-centered approach to education. Our experienced faculty and staff work to provide for our students, creating a qualified generation of health care employees who make immediate impact in the communities they serve.

As a Pima Medical student, you will have access to resources including:



**Academic
Support**



**Writing
Center**



**Mental Health
Counseling**



**Career
Services**



**Financial
Services**



**Help Desk
Support**

Life as an Online Student

Pima Medical's BSRT program is composed exclusively of online classes, allowing you the flexibility to balance your personal and professional commitments while completing your education.

During your time as an online student, you will:

- Receive personalized attention from expert faculty
- Interact with peers and faculty from all over the country in a collaborative format
- Experience learning with a multimedia approach, including videos, podcasts, knowledge checks, instructor experience and artificial intelligence
- Have the flexibility to complete your coursework when convenient, while also relying on a logical course structure with due dates
- Have access to the Pima Medical community when you need assistance



"The program was very well organized, allowing me to plan my study time. I am currently a cardiopulmonary manager and being in a hiring role, I see a big difference between Pima Medical students and other colleges. My bachelor's program helped me fulfill my dream of working in management and I owe everything to Pima Medical!"

**-Autumn Moore, Bachelor of Science
in Respiratory Therapy graduate**



Admissions Requirements

Applicants to this degree program must meet the following requirements:

- Have obtained the Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT) credential from the National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC) before the program start date
- Possess a high school diploma or recognized equivalency
- Have completed a total of 71 semester credits of specific coursework at the postsecondary level
 - > The 71 transfer credits shall consist of 15 general education, 44 respiratory therapy technical and 12 related credits
- Transfer credits into this program must meet the following conditions:
 - > Awarded by a nationally or regionally accredited institution; grade of “C” or better; and numbered 100 and above
 - > General education transfer credits are required to be from a broad sampling of various educational experiences, including arts and humanities, business, information systems, social sciences or natural sciences
- See additional Admissions and Transfer Credit requirements in the Prospective Students section of the college catalog

