



What can I do with a Major in...

Major: Rehabilitation Studies

O*net Outlook Link to Career Titles

[Rehabilitation Counselors](#) InDemand

[Psychiatric Technicians](#) InDemand

[Occupational Therapists](#) InDemand

[Educational, Vocational, and School Counselors](#)

[Medical and Health Services Managers](#) InDemand

[Recreational Therapists](#)

[Occupational Therapist Assistants](#) InDemand

[Occupational Therapist Aides](#)

[Social and Community Service Managers](#)

[Psychologists, All Other](#)

[Mental Health and Substance Abuse Social Workers](#) InDemand

[Therapists, All Other](#)

[Physical Therapist Assistants](#) InDemand

[Physical Therapist Aides](#) InDemand

[Eligibility Interviewers, Government Programs](#)

Knowledge:

Psychology
Therapy and Counseling
Education and Training
Customer and Personal Service
Personnel and Human
Resources
English Language
Administration and
Management
Sociology and Anthropology
Public Safety and Security

Skills:

Social Perceptiveness
Time Management
Reading Comprehension
Speaking
Coordination
Service Orientation
Active Listening
Monitoring
Writing
Critical Thinking

Abilities:

Oral Comprehension
Oral Expression
Speech Recognition
Speech Clarity
Written Expression
Inductive Reasoning
Near Vision
Problem Sensitivity
Written Comprehension
Deductive Reasoning

Employers:

Adapt of Texas
Sante Center for Healing
Mayhill Hospital: Physical Rehabilitation and Behavioral Health
Pate Rehabilitation
Mental Health Mental Retardation of Denton County

Links:

[Occupational Therapist Assistants and Aides](#)
[Substance Abuse and Behavioral Disorder Counselors](#)
[Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor - Texas](#)

Associations:

[National Therapeutic Recreation Society](#)
[North Carolina Recreation Therapy Association](#)
[The American Therapeutic Recreation Association](#)
[NCTRC - National Council for Therapeutic Recreation Certification](#)
[New York State Therapeutic Recreation Association](#)

Description of Coursework:

As a rehabilitation studies major, you will explore the social, psychological and physical impact of disabilities and receive an overview of the human service delivery system. You will gain skills in advocacy, case management, interpersonal communication and problem solving, enabling you to become knowledgeable about intervention techniques and to provide services for people with disabilities.

There are many specialty areas within the field of rehabilitation. These include working with people who experience alcohol and other drug abuse disabilities; providing services for those experiencing behavioral or emotional problems; or providing services for individuals with physical or sensory disabilities. Students may also focus on helping older Americans overcome the challenges associated with aging, or support people who are re-entering their communities while on probation or parole.

Rehabilitation students may pursue licensure as chemical dependency counselors. UNT's Department of Rehabilitation, Social Work and Addictions is recognized by the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse as a pre-service educational institution, and your rehabilitation adviser can work with you to choose courses that will prepare you to pass the TCADA licensure exams and prepare you for practicum.

UNT's rehabilitation studies faculty members have many years of experience in extremely diverse human service delivery settings and are committed to providing highly individualized academic advising. Students are encouraged to seek out faculty members who have worked in their area of interest.

By participating in the North Texas Rehabilitation Association, students in rehabilitation studies can attend state and national conferences and participate in campus activities relating to the field.

The department offers scholarships specifically for rehabilitation students. The scholarships are awarded based on academic standing and need. Information is available from the department chair.

<http://www.unt.edu/pais/insert/urhsd.htm>

General information on Careers in the Major:

Many Americans benefit from receiving rehabilitation services. Rehabilitation professionals serve an extraordinary range of individuals who may need specific services to help them reach their full human potential. As a rehabilitation professional, you will be able to serve people who experience physical, mental and emotional disabilities so that they may be fully included in society as productive workers and active citizens.

Rehabilitation professionals work in a wide range of employment settings, including addiction treatment centers, disability accommodation offices in schools and universities, hospitals and clinics that treat people with head injuries, independent-living facilities, insurance companies, mental health/mental retardation centers, probation and parole offices, state and federal rehabilitation programs and Veterans Affairs centers.

A bachelor's degree with a major in rehabilitation studies will prepare you for these and many other career opportunities. Earning a B.S. in rehabilitation studies is also an excellent way to prepare for graduate studies in rehabilitation counseling. Many of our alumni hold executive positions in the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, the Texas Planning Council for Developmental Disabilities and the Texas Rehabilitation Commission.

UNT's Career Center can help you prepare to pursue your career. The center has information about jobs and employers. The staff can help you with resume and letter writing, job search strategies and interview preparation. <http://careercenter.unt.edu/>

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