

**Department of Respiratory Care
College of Health Professions
Texas State University – San Marcos**

Professional Credits

Professional credits are a requirement for each clinical course in the BSRC Program. You must earn a minimum number of credits each semester to successfully complete each clinical course.

The number of required professional credits per semester is as follows:

RC 3313	RC Clinical Practice I	Junior Fall	10 credits
RC 3323	RC Clinical Practice II	Junior Spring	15 credits
RC 3333	RC Clinical Practice III	Junior Summer	20 credits
RC 4316	RC Clinical Practice IV	Senior Fall	20 credits
RC 4223	ICU Internship	Senior Spring	20 credits

The following is a list of suggested activities that will be awarded professional credits. The Director of Clinical Education (DCE) will consider additional RC activities not listed below based upon approval. A partial list follows:

<u>ACTIVITIES</u>	<u>CREDITS</u>
Attend AARC Convention (5 lecture hours & tour exhibits)	20
Attend TSRC Convention (5 lecture hours & tour exhibits)	20
AARC (student member)	8/semester
TSRC (student member)	8/semester
CoBGRTE (student member)	8/semester
RCSA membership good-standing (3 meetings & 1 project)	8
RCSA member (paid dues)	5
RCSA community service projects	2 per hour
Attend regional TSRC meeting	10
CF/Asthma camp	12 per day
Attend "Better Breathers"	2 per hour
Article summary from a Respiratory Care publication or Chest, Heart & Lung, etc.	1 per article
On-line CEU credits	4 per CEU
Volunteer at the American Lung Association	2 per hour
Pulmonary screenings	2 per hour
Attend local RC seminars/symposia	2 per hour
Inservices	2 per hour

Each reported professional credit should be submitted with supporting documentation verifying the professional credit (examples: receipts, copy of membership card, CEU certificates, clinical instructor signature for inservices not providing CEUs). The deadline for turning in professional credits and all supporting documentation for each semester is two weeks prior to the last day of class for course points. Failure to turn in professional credits prior to the last course day will result in a grade of "I" until the professional credits are submitted. Please submit all documentation of professional credits to Mr. Henry.

