What Can I Do With a Major In...

Major: Rehabilitation Studies
http://dar.pacs.unt.edu/unt-undergraduate-program-rehabilitation-studies-department-disability-and-addiction-rehabilitation

Your Future in Rehabilitation Studies
https://www.unt.edu/pais/insert/urhsd.htm
Are you a patient person? Have you developed and maintained good working relationships with employers? Do you want a career that provides new experiences each day? Then you should pursue a Bachelor of Science degree in Rehabilitation Studies at the University of North Texas. Rehabilitation professionals serve individuals who have physical, mental and emotional disabilities and help them become productive and active citizens. The demand for new professionals is rising every year. Rehabilitation professionals work in:

- Addiction treatment centers
- Hospitals and clinics that treat people with head injuries
- Independent-living and other community programs
- Programs that serve individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities
- Mental health centers
- Probation and parole offices
- Veterans Affairs centers

Many of our alumni hold executive positions with the Texas Health and Human Services Commission, the Texas Council for Developmental Disabilities, and the Texas Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services.

What We Offer
http://pacs.unt.edu/dar/rehabilitation-studies
In addition to pursuing the Rehabilitation Studies major, you can pursue several specialized minors and academic certificates. The minors and certificates can prepare you for state licensing exams or be used for other personal or professional application. They are:

- Drug Abuse and Addiction minor
- Human Services minor
- Drug and Alcohol Studies certificate
- Rehabilitation Studies certificate
- Substance Abuse Treatment certificate

You'll learn from faculty members who have years of experience working as counselors for hospitals, mental health centers, state agencies and nonprofit organizations.

Our program supports the North Texas Rehabilitation Association, Active Minds and Eagle Peer Recovery student organizations. They can help further develop your skills and provide vital professional experiences.
Related Career Titles (with OnetOnline links)
Entry-Level (Bachelor’s Degree):

- Caseworker
- Child Support Agent
- Child Welfare/Children’s Services
- Community Development Specialist
- Community Health Worker
- Community Living Assistant
- Community Service Specialist
- Court Clerk
- Developmental Disabilities
- Eligibility Interviewer
- Employment Recruiter
- Friend of the Court Case Worker
- Immigration Inspector
- Information Officer
- Insurance Claims Adjuster
- Intake Counselor
- Probation Officer
- Laboratory Technician

Legislative Aide
- Management Trainee
- Market Research Analyst
- Multicultural Program Leader
- Patient Representative
- Preschool Teacher
- Program Coordinator/Assistant
- Public Relations Specialist
- Research Associate
- Shelter Manager
- Social and Community Service Specialist
- Social and Human Service Assistant
- Social Science Research Assistant
- Student Services Specialist
- Teacher/Trainer
- Translator
- Victim Crisis Manager
- Youth Advocate

Jobs Requiring Additional Education or Experience:

- Advocate
- Bilingual/Bicultural Program Specialist
- Clinical Psychologist
- College Professor
- Community Development Officer
- Community Planner
- Development Director
- Early Childhood Interventionist
- Employee Relations Specialist
- Family Service Counselor
- Foreign Affairs Officer
- Foster Parent Consultant
- Foundation Program Manager
- Genealogist
- Genetic Counselor
- Gerontologist
- Head Start Program Director
- Health Science Administrator
- Human Resources Manager
- In-home Program Coordinator
- Job Counselor
- Management Analyst
- Marketing Manager
- Multicultural Education Specialist/Director
- Occupational Therapist
- Occupational Therapist Assistant
- Peace Corps Area Director
- Physical Therapist
- Physical Therapist Assistant
- Public Health Educator
- Public Relations Specialist
- Recreational Therapist
- Rehabilitation Counselor
- Researcher
- School Psychologist
- Social Worker
- Site Manager
- Social Science Analyst
- Social Service Agency Planner
- Special Education Teacher
Speech Language Pathologist
State/Federal Government Agency Analyst
Substance Abuse Counselor

Teacher, Elementary/Secondary
Teacher of English as a Second Language
Vocational Teacher

Related Work Sites
Advocacy Organizations
Alternative Schools
Assisted/Independent Living Centers
Child Welfare Agencies
Community Centers
Counseling Agencies
Courts
Daycares
Department of Children’s Services
Department of Education
Department of Health and Human Services
Detention Centers
Drug/Alcohol Rehabilitation Centers
Early Intervention Programs
Employee Assistance Programs
Federal, State, and Local Government Agencies
Group Homes
Head Start
Health Maintenance Organizations (HMO)
Home Healthcare Agencies
Hospice Care
Hospitals and Medical Centers
Human Resources
Insurance Companies

National Institutes of Health
Nonprofit Organizations
Police Departments
Prisons and Correctional Facilities
Private Family Services Agencies
Private Foundations
Private Treatment Facilities
Probation Offices
Property Management Firms
Psychiatric Hospitals
Public Health Service
Public or Private Schools
Public Welfare Agencies
Research Institutes
Residential, Foster Care, Adoption Agencies
Residential Treatment Facilities
Senior Activity Centers
Service Providers
Social Service Agencies
Special Interest Groups
Specialized Clinics
Treatment Centers
Universities and Colleges
Wellness Promotion
Youth Services Organizations

Skills to Develop to Include on a Resume
Ability to meet deadlines
Active listening
Advocacy
Attention to detail
Budget and fiscal management
Case management
Competency in cultures/languages
Coping skills
Counseling techniques

Crisis intervention
Critical thinking
Evaluation
Interpersonal skills
Intervention
Leadership
Managing conflict
Observing human interactions
Organizational skills
Patience and perseverance
Planning projects
Problem solving
Rapport building
Stress Management
Strong computer knowledge
Summarizing results
Time management
Understanding of environmental factors
Understanding group dynamics
Willingness to adapt
Willingness to travel/relocate
Work well under pressure
Work well with different types of people
Work with people of diverse backgrounds
Written and oral communication skills

Exploring Careers in Rehabilitation Studies
American Academy of Physical Therapy:
http://www.aaptnet.org/what-are-physical-therapist-and-physical-therapist-assistants.html
American Counseling Association:
http://www.counseling.org/careers/aca-career-central/choosing-a-career-in-counseling
Center for International Rehabilitation: http://www.cirnetwork.org/
National Federation of the Blind: https://nfb.org/professionals-rehab
Rehabilitation Services Administration:
http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/osers/rsa/index.html?src=mr
UNT Wise: http://untwise.wordpress.com/

Professional Associations
American Occupational Therapy Association: http://www.aota.org/
American Physical Therapy Association: http://www.apta.org/
American Public Human Services Association:
http://www.aphsa.org/content/APHSA/en/home.html
American Rehabilitation Counseling Association: http://www.arcaweb.org/
American Therapeutic Recreation Association: https://www.atra-online.com/
Association of VA Vocational Rehabilitation Professionals: http://www.avavrp.org/
Association of Vocational Rehabilitation in Alcoholism and Substance Abuse:
http://www.avrasa.org/
International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals: http://www.rehabpro.org/
National Organizations for Human Services: http://www.nationalhumanservices.org/
National Rehabilitation Association: https://www.nationalrehab.org/
National Rehabilitation Counseling Association: http://nrca-net.org/
North Texas Area Rehabilitation Association:
https://www.txrehabassoc.org/chapters/north-texas-area-rehabilitation-association
**Student Organizations**
North Texas Rehabilitation Association: [https://www.facebook.com/NorthTexasRehabilitationAssociation](https://www.facebook.com/NorthTexasRehabilitationAssociation)
Pre-Occupational Therapy Club: [https://www.facebook.com/people/OT-Club/100004484689040](https://www.facebook.com/people/OT-Club/100004484689040)
Pre-Physical Therapy Club: [https://www.facebook.com/groups/182586135112259/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/182586135112259/)
UNT Student Organizations: [http://studentaffairs.unt.edu/studentorganizations](http://studentaffairs.unt.edu/studentorganizations)

**Job Search Links**
American Therapeutic Recreation Association: [https://www.atra-online.com/job-opportunities/jobs](https://www.atra-online.com/job-opportunities/jobs)
Center for Nonprofit Management: [http://cnmconnect.org/](http://cnmconnect.org/)
Community Career Center: [https://nonprofitjobs.org/](https://nonprofitjobs.org/)
Corporation for National and Community Service: [http://www.nationalservice.gov/about/careers](http://www.nationalservice.gov/about/careers)
Eagle Careers: [http://studentaffairs.unt.edu/eagle-careers](http://studentaffairs.unt.edu/eagle-careers)
Exec Searches: [https://execsearches.com/](https://execsearches.com/)
iHireSocialServices: [http://www.ihiresocialservices.com/](http://www.ihiresocialservices.com/)
International Center for Research on Women: [http://icrw.applicantstack.com/x/openings](http://icrw.applicantstack.com/x/openings)
Nonprofit Opportunities: [http://www.npo.net/](http://www.npo.net/)
Organizers for America: [http://organizersforamerica.org/page.php?id=89](http://organizersforamerica.org/page.php?id=89)
Social Service Job Site: [http://www.socialservice.com/search.cfm](http://www.socialservice.com/search.cfm)
Texas Health and Human Services System: [http://www.dshs.texas.gov/search-jobs.aspx](http://www.dshs.texas.gov/search-jobs.aspx)
United Way: [https://careers.unitedway.org/jobs](https://careers.unitedway.org/jobs)
UNT Department of Disability and Addiction Rehabilitation: [http://dar.pacs.unt.edu/employment](http://dar.pacs.unt.edu/employment)
Work4aGoodCause: [http://work4agoodcause.com/](http://work4agoodcause.com/)
Work for Good: [https://www.workforgood.org/](https://www.workforgood.org/)
**Internship Search Links**
American Therapeutic Recreation Association: https://www.atra-online.com/job-opportunities/internships
America’s Job Exchange: http://www.americaJOBexchange.com/
Career Rookie: http://www.careerrookie.com/
Carter Center: http://www.cartercenter.org/involved/internship/index.html
College Grad: https://collegegrad.com/
Eagle Careers: http://studentaffairs.unt.edu/eagle-careers
Indeed: http://www.indeed.com/
InternJobs: http://internjobs.com/
Internships: http://www.internships.com/
Jobing: http://www.jobing.com/
Jobs Flag: http://www.jobflag.com/
Jobs Radar: http://www.jobsradar.com/
Link Up: http://www.linkup.com/
LinkedIn: https://www.linkedin.com/jobs/?trk=hb_ft_jobs
Zip Recruiter: https://www.ziprecruiter.com/

**Find a Mentor**
LinkedIn: https://www.linkedin.com/

**Additional Resources**
CareerHMO: http://careerrhmo.com/
CareerOneStop: http://www.careeronestop.org/
Careerealism: http://www.careerealism.com/
CollegeGrad: http://www.collegegrad.com/jobs
GlassDoor: http://www.glassdoor.com/index.htm
Going Global: http://online.goingglobal.com/default.aspx
LinkedIn: http://university.linkedln.com/linkedin-for-students.html
mySkills myFuture: http://www.myskillsmyfuture.org/
Salary Calculator Center: www.jobsearchintelligence.com/salary-calculator-intro/-etc
O*NET OnLine: http://www.onetonline.org/
Sperling’s Compare Cost of Living: http://www.bestplaces.net/cost-of-living/
Need help figuring all this out? Call the Career Center and make an appointment with your Career Development Specialist! You can also get help with resume and cover letter writing and interview skills preparation.

*Information for this handout compiled from the following Career Services Departments:
Central Washington University: [http://www.cwu.edu/career/](http://www.cwu.edu/career/)
Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne: [http://www.ipfw.edu/offices/career/](http://www.ipfw.edu/offices/career/)
Texas State University: [http://www.careerservices.txstate.edu/](http://www.careerservices.txstate.edu/)
University of North Carolina Wilmington: [http://www.uncw.edu/career/index.html](http://www.uncw.edu/career/index.html)
University of North Texas: [http://studentaffairs.unt.edu/career-center](http://studentaffairs.unt.edu/career-center)
University of Tennessee-Knoxville: [http://career.utk.edu/](http://career.utk.edu/)
University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire: [http://www.uwec.edu/Career/index.htm](http://www.uwec.edu/Career/index.htm)

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