

Rehabilitation Studies -- Career Resources

What can I do with a degree in Rehabilitation Studies?

Rehabilitation is a rapidly growing human service profession that uses advances in human behavior, health care and technology to empower people to take control of their lives. Social and human service positions are among the top 10 fastest-growing occupations in the nation. Rehabilitation practitioners work in alcohol and other drug abuse treatment programs, community mental health and mental retardation centers, schools, corporate and academic disability accommodation offices, independent living centers, brain injury programs, correctional agencies, hospitals, non-profit organizations, adolescent programs, long-term care facilities and private industry. (From <http://www.unt.edu/unt-dallas/brochures/rhbsd.htm>)

Includes Traditional and Non-Traditional Titles, some require additional training or graduate/post-graduate degrees

Rehabilitation Studies Job-Related Titles		
Vocational Rehab Specialist State and federal vocational rehabilitation Specialist Community rehabilitation Specialist Alcohol and drug treatment Specialist	Community mental health Specialist Pre- and post-secondary counseling Medical and psychiatric hospitals rehabilitation Correctional facilities Specialist	Independent living Specialist Rehabilitation Specialist in business and industry Insurance company Specialist Supervised employment Specialist

Bureau of Labor Statistics Information

Counselors (<http://www.bls.gov/oco/ocos067.htm>)

- A master's degree is often required to be licensed or certified as a counselor.
- All but three States require some form of licensure or certification for practice outside of schools; all States require school counselors to hold a State school counseling certification.
- Opportunities are broad including: Educational, vocational, and school counselors; Rehabilitation counselors; Mental health counselors; and Marriage and family therapists
- Diverse opportunities including: teaching, education administration, instructional coordinators, and counseling.

Rehabilitation Counselors (<http://www.bls.gov/oco/ocos067.htm>)

- Help people deal with the personal, social, and vocational effects of disabilities.
- They counsel people with disabilities resulting from birth defects, illness or disease, accidents, or the stress of daily life.

Mental Health Counselors (<http://www.bls.gov/oco/ocos067.htm>)

- Work with individuals, families, and groups to address and treat mental and emotional disorders and to promote optimum mental health.

Vocational Counselors (<http://www.bls.gov/oco/ocos067.htm>)

- Provide mainly career counseling outside the school setting are also referred to as employment counselors or career counselors.

School Counselors (<http://www.bls.gov/oco/ocos067.htm>)

- At all levels help students understand and deal with social, behavioral, and personal problems.
- These counselors emphasize preventive and developmental counseling to provide students with the life skills needed to deal with problems before they occur and to enhance the student's personal, social, and academic growth.

Job Search/Listings Websites

ReHabOnline.com (<http://www.rehabonline.com>)
 MedJump (<http://www.medjump.com/browse/Rehabilitation.htm>)
 ReHabOptions.com (<http://www.rehaboptions.com/>)
 RehabilitationCareers.com (<http://www.rehabilitationcareers.com/>)

Professional Associations, Organizations, and List-servs

American Counseling Association (<http://www.counseling.org>)
 National Board for Certified Counselors (<http://www.nbcc.org>)
 National Rehabilitation Association (<http://www.nationalrehab.org/website/index.html>)
 United States Psychiatric Rehabilitation Association (<http://www.iapsrs.org/index.php>)

UNT Student Organizations

Behavior Analysis Student Association
 Psychology Honorary Society [[Psi Chi](http://orgs.unt.edu/unt_psi_chi/)] (http://orgs.unt.edu/unt_psi_chi/)

Books and Print Resources

Student Development Office Career Services Collection:

TITLE	CALL NUMBER	MAJOR
What is Rehab?	VIDEO 2003	Rehabilitation Studies

General Books at UNT Dallas Library:

TITLE	CALL NUMBER
Lewis' Dictionary of Toxicology	RA 1193 .L48 1998
Drug Abuse Handbook	RM 316 .D76 1998
Encyclopedia of Mental Health v.1-3	RA 790.5 .E53 1998
Merck Manual of Diagnosis and Therapy	RC 55 .M4 1999