Failure to meet the minimum cumulative GPA and BS-RHSC GPA will result in academic probation. If placed on probation, the cumulative GPA and/or BS-RHSC GPA must be raised to a 3.00 by the conclusion of the next 12 required semester hours on the degree plan.

Students who receive a ‘D’, ‘F’, or more than two ‘C’ grades in their DRSC major courses will be directed to meet with the College of Health Sciences Academic Advisors to select another degree option.

**Proposed change to the catalog**

**The Bachelor of Science in Rehabilitation Sciences requires:**

1) **General University Core (42 semester credit hours):** Please refer to University Core Curriculum section of the catalog. All courses used to satisfy the core curriculum must be completed with a ‘C’ or better, per University policy. In order to complete this degree plan in the most efficient manner, students should meet with their academic advisor when selecting courses to meet both core and degree plan requirements.

2) **Pre-professional preparation requirements (semester credit hours vary depending on option selected):** Students are required to meet with BS-RHSC faculty and/or academic advisor when selecting their option. All courses used to satisfy the Pre-professional preparation requirements must be completed with a ‘C’ or better.

3) **BS-RHSC Core (27 semester credit hour):** Students are required to complete all 9 courses from the BS-RHSC Core. All courses used to satisfy the BS-RHSC Core requirements must be completed with a ‘C’ or better.

4) **Minor(s) and/or prescribed electives (semester credit hours vary depending on option selected):** Selection of approved minor(s) and/or prescribed electives must be approved by BS-RHSC faculty and/or academic advisor. All courses used to satisfy the prescribed electives requirements must be completed with a ‘C’ or better.

Minor(s): Approved minor(s) may include (list not inclusive): Biology, Chemistry, Health Promotion, Nutrition, Math, Psychology, Sociology, Speech Language Pathology, Statistics.

Prescribed Electives (semester credit hours vary depending on option selected): Selection of prescribed electives must be approved by BS-RHSC faculty and/or academic advisor.

5) **Free electives (semester credit hours will vary from 0—21 hours depending on option selected).** All courses used to satisfy the Free electives requirements must be completed with a ‘C’ or better.
Admission Requirements

Students can declare their interest in a degree in Rehabilitation Sciences if they meet admission requirements to enroll at UTEP. Each semester, students are required to meet with a faculty advisor and/or academic advisor to review their academic standing, degree requirements and career interest.

It is important to note that this is a pre-professional program that encourages application to graduate education in the health professions. The minimum undergraduate grade point average (GPA) required for graduate school admission at The University of Texas at El Paso is 3.0. Success in competitive graduate school admission in many of the health and rehabilitation professions requires a GPA as high as 3.5 or 3.6.

Academic Requirements

Students must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 and a minimum major Rehabilitation Sciences (DRSC subject) GPA of 3.00 to remain in satisfactory good academic standing in the major.

Students who fail to meet the minimum cumulative GPA and BS-RHSC GPA will receive an Academic Warning. After receiving this Academic Warning, the cumulative GPA and/or BS-RHSC GPA must be raised to a 3.00 by the conclusion of next 12 completed UTEP semester hours (or the semester in which they complete those 12 hours). If the 3.0 is not reached by the end of the Academic Warning period, the student will be dismissed from the RHSC major and required to choose a new major. Students who have been dismissed from the RHSC major may not re-declare the major at a later date.

Students in the SPLA (Speech Language Pathology) speech concentration, in addition to the 3.0 cumulative GPA and 3.0 major GPA, must maintain a 3.0 SPLP GPA to stay in the SPLA speech concentration. If they fall below the 3.0 SPLP GPA, they cannot continue in that concentration; there will be no probationary period allowed to raise the SPLP speech GPA. Students who cannot continue in the SPLA speech concentration will have the option to change to another concentration in the RHSC major only if they have a 3.0 cumulative GPA and 3.0 major GPA.

If the RHSC program director determines at any point in a student’s Academic Warning period that it is mathematically impossible for the student to reach the 3.0 by the conclusion of the warning period, the student will be dismissed from the RHSC major at that time and required to choose a new major.

Students who receive a ‘D’, ‘F’, or more than two ‘C’ grades in their DRSC major courses (BS-RHSC Core) will be dismissed from the RHSC major and required to choose a new major directed to meet with the College of Health Sciences Academic Advisors to select another degree option.