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DALLAS--The Department of Rehabilitation Science in the School of Allied Health Professions in Dallas is expanding its program to accept students at the two-year college level, Dean John Schermerhorn announced today.

With 60 semester hours and certain prerequisite requirements to his credit, the student may enter the program and graduate with a Bachelor of Science degree in Rehabilitation Science two years later, according to Robert Boudreaux, coordinator for the undergraduate program of the department.

The School of Allied Health Professions, established in 1969 by The University of Texas Southwestern Medical School, now offers programs in physical therapy, nutrition and dietetics and medical technology, as well as rehabilitation science.

Those who are at the senior or baccalaureate level in college are able to enter the rehabilitation program and emerge with either a degree or certificate in a year, said Boudreaux.

In addition to the academic areas, the students work with community agencies with an on-the-job training period.

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A number of community, state and local agencies in Dallas are utilized in the teaching program, including The Texas Rehabilitation Commission, the State Board of Pardons and Paroles, the Children's Development Center, Jewish Vocational Counseling Service, Parkland Hospital - Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Division, Dallas County Mental Health-Mental Retardation Centers, Dallas Association for Retarded Children, DAL-WORC, Goodwill Industries, and The Dallas Epilepsy Association.

In these locations students work with disabled and disadvantaged persons, including heart, cancer and stroke patients, amputees, paraplegics, the retarded and emotionally disturbed, and culturally deprived.

For additional information interested persons should contact the School of Allied Health Professions at A.C. 214-942-8339 or 942-2778.

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