

Physical Therapist Assistant

Associate in Applied Science

Program Code/CIP Code: PTAS.AAS/51.0806

Credits Required: 69

Division: Health Professions

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Accreditation: Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education of the American Physical Therapy Association (CAPTE)

Physical Therapist Assistants (PTA) work under the direction and supervision of a physical therapist in the delivery of physical therapy services. The duties of a PTA include assisting with implementing treatment programs according to the physical therapist's plan of care, educating and instructing patients in exercise and activities of daily living, providing treatments using special equipment, administering modalities, documentation of services provided, and reporting to the physical therapist on the patient's responses to treatment. Upon successful completion of the program, the student is eligible to take the national licensure examination.

Requirements for admission to the program:

- This is a selective admission program. *Application to the program **does not** constitute admission.*
- Minimum 2.75 GPA in program required courses and completion of pre-requisites (* below).
- **Application deadline is April 15 for Fall start and October 15 for Spring start.**
- Contact program for application, full requirements and program-specific advising.

General Education Requirements

Course		Credit Hours
ENGL 0101	Composition I*	3
SPCH 0151 OR SPCH 0201	Public Speaking OR Interpersonal Communication	3
PSYC 0101	Psychology*	3
PSYC 0202 OR PSYC 0203	Child Development* OR Human Development*	3
MATH 0104	Intermediate Algebra** or higher	3
BIOL 0143	Human Anatomy and Physiology***	5
Total Hours for General Education Requirements		20

* See course syllabus for prerequisite.

** Math sequence is contingent upon previous high school mathematics background and transfer institution. Students should confer with an advisor to determine correct placement.

***Anatomy and Physiology courses completed more than seven (7) years prior to admission must be repeated.

Physical Therapist Assistant Requirements*

Course		Credit Hours
PHTR 0160	Musculoskeletal I	5
PHTR 0165	Clinical Skills I	2
PHTR 0170	Fundamentals of Treatment Procedures	5
PHTR 0180	Clinical Skills II	2
PHTR 0195	Clinical Skills III	3
PHTR 0220	Pathophysiology for Rehabilitation	5
PHTR 0230	Musculoskeletal III	5
PHTR 0240	Clinical Skills IV	6
PHTR 0245	Clinical Skills V	6
PHTR 0250	Musculoskeletal II	5
PHTR 0275	Neuromuscular Rehabilitation	5
Total Hours for Physical Therapist Assistant Requirements		49
*See course syllabi for Physical Therapist Assistant course pre-requisites.		

Total Hours for an Associate in Applied Science in Physical Therapist Assistant Degree	69
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Course Sequence

Course		Credit Hours
Prior to Admission		
ENGL 0101	Composition I	3
PSYC 0101	Psychology	3
MATH 0104	Intermediate Algebra or higher	3
BIOL 0143	Human Anatomy and Physiology	5

Semester II		
PHTR 0160	Musculoskeletal I	5
PHTR 0165	Clinical Skills I	2
PHTR 0170	Fundamentals of Treatment Procedures	5

Semester III		
PHTR 0180	Clinical Skills II	2
PHTR 0230	Musculoskeletal III	5
PHTR 0250	Musculoskeletal II	5
PSYC 0202 OR PSYC 0203	Child Development OR Human Development	3

Semester IV		
PHTR 0195	Clinical Skills III	3
PHTR 0220	Pathophysiology for Rehabilitation	5
PHTR 0275	Neuromuscular Rehabilitation	5
SPCH 0151 OR SPCH 0201	Public Speaking OR Interpersonal Communication	3

Semester V		
PHTR 0240	Clinical Skills IV	6
PHTR 0245	Clinical Skills V	6