

PHYSICAL THERAPY (DPT)

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Program Description

The Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) Program is a 3-year (10 semester) full-time program. The curriculum is built on a strong basic science foundation with emphasis on evidence-based physical therapy practice, and integrated part-time experiential learning activities and 36 weeks of full-time clinical education.

- Graduates are prepared to examine and treat musculoskeletal and neuromuscular problems and develop injury prevention & health maintenance programs for people at all stages of life.
- Graduates are prepared to apply scientific knowledge, humanistic values, critical analysis and a systematic approach to patient care when making clinical decisions.

Learning Outcomes

- Graduates apply the best evidence in reflective decision-making, skilled performance and professional behavior to basic principles within patient-client management to achieve optimal outcomes.
- Graduates participate in interprofessional, patient centered care to meet patient's diverse needs and perspectives.
- Graduates pursue professional development opportunities throughout their professional career.
- Graduates engage in leadership and advocacy roles in a diverse patient and professional environment.

Curriculum: 3 Years, 121 Credits

Course	Title	Credits
First Year		
Pre-Fall		
PT 507	Advanced Human Anatomy for PTs	6
PT 534	Intro to the PT Profession	1
PT 536	Medical Terminology (online)	1
PT 527	Evidence Based Practice I	3
Credits		11
Fall		
PT 516	Neuroscience	3
PT 506	Biomechanics and Kinesiology	4
PT 533	Intro to PT Examination	5
PT 539	Clinical Decision Making	1
PT 538	Psychosocial Aspects of PT	2
PT 545	Integrated Clin Exp I	1
Credits		16
Spring		
PT 513	Pathophysiology I	3
PT 624	Evidence Based Practice II	2

Course	Title	Credits
PT 546	Integrated Clin Exp II (ICE)	1
PT 518	Movement System in PT	2
PT 555	Intro to Therapeutic Interven	6
Credits		14
Second Year		
Pre-Fall		
PT 514	Pathophysiology II	3
PT 607	Musculoskeletal PT I	4
PT 611	Cardiovasc & Pulm PT I	2
PT 613	Pharmacology	2
PT 661	Integumentary PT	3
Credits		14
Fall		
PT 608	Musculoskeletal PT II	4
PT 612	Cardiovasc & Pulm PT II	3
PT 621	Neuromuscular PT I	5
PT 645	Integrated Clin Exp III (ICE; 1/2 class)	1
PT 670	Prosthetics and Orthotics	3
PT 680	FT Clin Ed Experience Prep	1
Credits		17
Spring		
Spring A		
PT 685	FT Clin Ed Experience I	6
Spring B		
PT 609	Musculoskeletal PT III	4
PT 622	Neuromuscular PT II	4
PT 645	Integrated Clin Exp III	1
Credits		15
Third Year		
Pre-Fall		
PT 785	FT Clin Ed Experience II	9
Credits		9
Fall		
PT 632	Healthcare Delivery Systems	3
PT 674	Pediatric PT	3
PT 700	Med Screen & Diff Diagno in PT	2
PT 736	Business and Leadership in PT	3
PT 721		2
PT 774	Geriatric PT	3
Credits		16
Spring		
PT 786	FT Clin Ed Experience III	12
Credits		12
Total Credits		124