

Physical Therapist Assistant

The Career

Physical therapist assistants provide physical therapy treatment to patients who are experiencing pain or disability, temporary or permanent, under the direct supervision of a licensed physical therapist.

The Program

Dunwoody's Physical Therapist Assistant program prepares graduates to implement physical therapist-prescribed plans to help patients regain physical function after illness or injury and help provide services that improve patients' functional abilities. Working in both classroom and Dunwoody's new, sophisticated lab, students gain the skills required to treat patients directly as well as help them carry out home treatment plans. Students will be educated in all facets of physical therapy treatment including: modalities and massage, neuroanatomy and physiology, kinesiology, therapeutic exercise, advanced physical therapy techniques and appropriate communication and documentation. They also complete clinical rotations with several high-profile healthcare partners that include Allina, Twin Cities Orthopedics and North Memorial Health Care.

In July 2009, Dunwoody's Physical Therapist Assistant Program was granted Candidacy Status by the Commission on Accreditation of Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) thus allowing acceptance and admittance of the charter class in Fall 2009. Candidacy Status means that, to date, the program is in compliance with the evaluative criteria in working toward full accreditation. The program's curriculum, policies and procedures will continue to be evaluated and modified as needed to meet criteria for full accreditation to be granted after the graduation of the charter class in 2011.

Program Length

Graduates of this eight-quarter program earn an Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree. Students entering the program must have college level English and Biology as they are prerequisites to the program.

Applying to Dunwoody is easy

To apply online, visit dunwoody.edu. Or, to speak with a Dunwoody Admissions representative, call 612-374-5800 or 800-292-4652.

Dunwoody's Admissions team is committed to working with you to ease and simplify the admissions process and provide all the necessary information regarding our academic programs, degree opportunities, financial aid, expectations and everything else that enters into such an important decision.

Other exciting Health Sciences Technology programs and degree options are available. Visit dunwoody.edu for complete details.



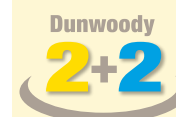
Tentative A.A.S. Degree Requirements*

PTA101	Introduction to PTA
PTA102	Introduction to PTA (Lab)
PTA103	PTA Communications
PTA105	Kinesiology I (Lab)
PTA104	Kinesiology I (Theory)
PTA232	Human Disease
PTA114	Kinesiology II (Theory)
PTA115	Kinesiology II (Lab)
PTA116	PT Interventions I (Theory)
PTA117	Physical Therapy Interventions I (Lab)
PTA118	Therapeutic Exercise I (Lecture)
PTA119	Therapeutic Exercise I (Lab)
PTA120	Clinical Orthopedics
PTA126	PT Interventions II (Theory)
PTA127	Physical Therapy Interventions II (lab)
PTA200	Clinical Affiliation #1
PTA228	Therapeutic Exercise II (Theory)
PTA229	Therapeutic Exercise II (Lab)
PTA230	Neurorehabilitation (Theory)
PTA231	Neurorehabilitation (lab)
PTA233	Clinical Geriatrics
PTA205	Special Topics I
PTA203	Leadership
PTA201	Clinical Affiliation #2
PTA204	Clinical Pediatrics
PTA206	Special Topics II
PTA207	Professionalism In Healthcare
PTA202	Clinical Affiliation #3
HSCI110	Medical Terminology
ANAT100	Anatomy
BIOL100	Human Biology
SPCH101	Public Speaking
ENGL101	Composition
HUMN251	Global Studies
PHYS100	Physiology
PSYC120	Generic Psychology

* Subject to change.



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