

PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT

The Physical Therapist Assistant Consortium Program prepares students for employment as physical therapist assistants (PTA). The PTA functions through the direction of a physical therapist (PT) to implement the PT's plan of care. The ultimate goal of physical therapy is to aid patients and clients in their return to maximal function. PTA students are instructed in thinking processes and skills such as therapeutic exercise, orthopedic and neurological interventions, therapeutic modalities, and the art of patient care. In addition to patient treatment courses, students study the basic sciences of anatomy, physiology, clinical pathology, and kinesiology. Clinical education experiences are integrated throughout the curriculum and offer students the opportunity to practice the techniques learned and practiced each semester.

The program is designed to be completed in two years.

Code	Title	Credits
Take all of the following:		
BIOL-228	HUMAN ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY II	4.00
MEDPT-173	MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY	3.00
PTAE-101	PHYSICAL THERAPY IN HEALTH CARE	2.00
PTAE-107	KINESIOLOGY	4.00
PTAE-110	PRINCIPLES AND PROCEDURES OF PATIENT CARE	3.00
PTAE-113	CLINICAL PATHOLOGY	2.00
PTAE-204	THERAPEUTIC MODALITIES	3.00
PTAE-207	THERAPEUTIC EXERCISE	4.00
PTAE-208	ORTHOPEDIC REHAB	4.00
PTAE-211	DATA COLLECTIONS	3.00
PTAE-215	SPECIAL POPULATIONS	3.00
PTAE-217	NEUROLOGICAL REHABILITATION	4.00
PTAE-221	SEMINAR	2.00
PTAE-240	CLINICAL AFFILIATION 1	7.00
PTAE-241	CLINICAL AFFILIATION 2	7.00
Total Credits		55.00