



## Program Information

Program Name	State University of New York (SUNY) Downstate Health Sciences University
General Description / Special Programs	
Established	
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## Program Information

Program Description	<p>The physical therapy program at SUNY Downstate is a long-standing accredited program which has been in existence since 1966. Today, we offer a 3+3 BS/DPT curriculum, in which students can enter our program after completing three years of college. This program is also advantageous to those who enter with a bachelor's degree, as our students pay undergraduate-level tuition during the first year in the program.</p> <p>Students in the Physical Therapy Program are educated in a multi-culturally diverse and challenging environment on a campus in the heart of Brooklyn, NY. We have a small class size of 24 students who are admitted each year, allowing more individual attention from faculty. The program has a high pass rate on the National Physical Therapy Examination each year and our retention rate is high. Our ultimate pass rate for the past three years is 100%. Last year, in the middle of the pandemic in NYC, our class of 2020 not only were able to graduate on time, they also had 100% first-time pass rate on the licensing exam. Our graduates also have 100% employment rate.</p> <p>Today, we are offering a hybrid curriculum during the pandemic, with no incidence of COVID outbreak among the PT students in lab classes or the clinic. We are anticipating a full return to campus in fall 2021. If you would like to see our students in action in a lab classroom, please go to <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qg_2a4aAYio&amp;t=14s">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qg_2a4aAYio&amp;t=14s</a>. Downstate has been offering the Moderna and Pfizer vaccines to our students, faculty and staff since January 2, 2021. Today, more than 85% of our PT student body has received the COVID-19 vaccine. Starting in fall 2021, the COVID-19 vaccination is mandatory for all SUNY students.</p> <p>The Physical Therapy Program faculty, a dedicated group of professionals with expertise in orthopedics, neurology, pediatrics, cardiopulmonary rehabilitation, acute care, and vestibular rehabilitation. Each faculty member has a special area of interest that is actively enhanced through graduate studies, research, professional continuing education courses and active clinical practice.</p> <p>SUNY Downstate's PT program is affiliated with over 100 clinical education sites in the metropolitan area representing a variety of practice settings, including all major hospital centers in NYC. However, to accommodate the interests of students who would like to explore other settings and cultures, clinical affiliation sites are available in other states and overseas.</p> <p>In addition to 39 weeks of full-time clinical affiliation, the students also have an opportunity to work in the Brooklyn Free Clinic. This is a student-run pro bono clinic at Downstate.</p> <p>SUNY Downstate Health Sciences University is the sixth largest provider of health care to an urban population in the United States and is the only academic medical center in Brooklyn. It is comprised of the largest Medical School in the state, and also includes the School of Graduate Studies, College of Nursing, School of Health Professions, School of Public Health, the University Hospital of Brooklyn, the Renal Dialysis Center of Brooklyn and a Biotechnology Park. The clinical facilities at Downstate serve the health care needs of the Brooklyn and Staten Island communities. SUNY Downstate Health Sciences University is recognized nationwide for its innovative research in the medical and biological sciences.</p>
Program offers a guaranteed freshman admission pathway?	No

## Program Information

Dual-degree programs offered in conjunction with the PT degree	Our program offers a BS/DPT degree program.
Will the professional (entry-level) PT program offer a satellite or branch campus to applicants during the upcoming admissions cycle?	No
Program conducts interviews as part of the admissions process?	Yes
Additional information about interviews	Interviews are being conducted online on Zoom until pandemic is over. However, we will still continue to offer Zoom interviews for out-of-town applicants even after pandemic is over. The interviews are one-on-one with a PT faculty member.
Is a Deposit Required for Accepted Applicants?	Yes
Total cumulative deposit	\$150.00
Deposit Refundable?	Yes
Additional Information about Refunds	For students admitted into the PT program the pre-admission deposit is refundable if requested no later than April 1st. If a student is notified of their acceptance after the date listed above, they may request a refund within 30 days of the date of their acceptance, but no later than the first day of class.
Due Date of First Required Deposit	01/15/2022
Total Cost of Education for In-State Students	\$87049.00
Total Cost of Education for out of State Students	\$139605.00
Anticipated Size of the Next Entering Class	24
Size of Most Recent Entering Class	24
% of IN-STATE applicants accepted	96%
% of WICHE (Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education) applicants accepted	0%
% of OUT-OF-STATE (non-resident) U.S. applicants accepted	4%
% of CANADIAN applicants accepted	0%
% of INTERNATIONAL (non-U.S/non-Canadian) applicants accepted	0%
% Male	64%
% Female	36%
% Declining to State	0%
% Hispanic	4%
% American Indian/Alaskan Native	0%

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% Asian	28%
% African-American/Black (Non-Hispanic)	32%
% Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0%
% White (Not of Hispanic Origin)	28%
% Two or More Races	0%
% Declining to State	8%
Additional information about the class profile	Program will accept qualified applicants with three years of college who have completed all prerequisites. Bachelor's degree is not required for admission.

## Admission Requirements

Supplemental FEE required?	Yes
Supplemental fee amount	\$50.00
Supplemental APPLICATION required?	Yes
Supplemental MATERIALS required?	Yes
Supplemental forms and materials required by program - item 1	Supplemental application will be emailed to applicants by the office of Admissions after August 1, 2021.
Deadline for Submission of Supplemental Materials	11/15/2021
Is GRE Required?	Yes
University GRE code	2534
Last acceptable GRE test date for this cycle	01/15/2022
Oldest GRE test date considered for this cycle	01/15/2017
MINIMUM GRE Verbal reasoning scaled score	146
AVERAGE GRE Verbal reasoning scaled score	152
MINIMUM GRE Quantitative reasoning scaled score	146
AVERAGE GRE Quantitative reasoning scaled score	151
Physical Therapist-1	Applicant must send one reference from this specific type of evaluator
Physical Therapist-2	Evaluator type accepted
Professor in Major	Evaluator type accepted
Professor	Applicant must send one reference from this specific type of evaluator
Academic	Evaluator type accepted
Supervisor/Employer	Evaluator type accepted
Teaching Assistant	Evaluator type not accepted
PTA	Evaluator type not accepted
Pre-PT Advisor	Evaluator type accepted
Politician	Evaluator type not accepted
Health Care Professional	Evaluator type accepted
Friend	Evaluator type not accepted

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Family Member	Evaluator type not accepted
Co-worker	Evaluator type not accepted
Clergy	Evaluator type not accepted
Other	Evaluator type not accepted
Number of references required by program	2
Additional information about program's reference requirements	Reference must be from a science professor.
Information about your PT requirements	For the upcoming admissions cycle, we are waiving the inpatient setting volunteer hours requirement. All hours may be done in an outpatient facility. If you have difficulty attaining the 50 hour minimum requirement due to the pandemic, please contact the program about alternative means for learning about the PT profession.
Program's PT hours requirement	PT hours are required - a licensed PT must verify hours w/ signed form uploaded or online via PTCAS
Total number of PT Hours REQUIRED	50
DEADLINE for completion of all PT hours	01/15/2022
Paid	Accepted/Considered
Volunteer	Accepted/Considered
Inpatient	Accepted/Considered
Outpatient	Required
MINIMUM GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative	2.90
AVERAGE GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative	3.50
MINIMUM GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.0
AVERAGE GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.58
MINIMUM GPA Science GPA	3.00
AVERAGE GPA Science GPA	3.50
Additional information about program's GPA requirements	Program uses the highest grade earned in local GPA calculations, if the course was repeated. We also calculate and consider the last 60-credit GPA.
Program considers Canadian coursework?	Yes
Canadian Transcripts Dictionary	Send WES foreign evaluation for Canadian courses to institution
Program policy for non-U.S. (foreign/international) coursework	Send WES foreign transcript evaluation to PTCAS (recommended)
Are non-native English Speakers required to submit TOEFL scores?	Yes
Citizenship types eligible for admission U.S. citizens	U.S. citizens, U.S. permanent residents, Canadian citizens, Foreign (non-U.S.) citizens with a visa

## Course Prerequisites

Bachelor's degree required prior to matriculation into PT program?	No
Anatomy and/or Physiology (A&P) course prerequisites MUST be completed in biology, neuroscience, anatomy, or integrated physiology department	No
Link to program's prerequisite instructions	<a href="https://sls.downstate.edu/admissions/sohp/pt/requirements.html">https://sls.downstate.edu/admissions/sohp/pt/requirements.html</a>

## Anatomy & Physiology I

Coursework older than **10** years will not be accepted

Must be at least a 4-credit course with a lab component. One semester of A+P may be substituted by a semester of General Biology. In-person labs are preferred. Minimum grade of B preferred. Only science courses designed for science majors are acceptable. All required science must be less than 10 years old.

Course Level	General or College
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Lab Required	Required
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Credits	SH: 4
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Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A&amp;P: Advanced</li><li>• A&amp;P: Animal</li><li>• A&amp;P: COMBINED Course (eg. A&amp;P)</li><li>• A&amp;P: Comparative</li><li>• A&amp;P: Human</li><li>• A&amp;P: Mammalian</li><li>• A&amp;P: Physiology</li><li>• A&amp;P: SEPARATE courses</li><li>• A&amp;P: Vertebrate</li><li>• Biology: General</li><li>• Biology: General I</li></ul>
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## Anatomy & Physiology II

Coursework older than **10** years will not be accepted

Must be at least a 4-credit course with a lab component. One semester of A+P may be substituted by a semester of General Biology. In-person labs are preferred. Minimum grade of B preferred. Only science courses designed for science majors are acceptable. All required science must be less than 10 years old.

Course Level	General or College
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Lab Required	Required
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Credits	SH: 4
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Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A&amp;P: Advanced</li><li>• A&amp;P: Animal</li><li>• A&amp;P: COMBINED Course (eg. A&amp;P)</li><li>• A&amp;P: Comparative</li><li>• A&amp;P: Human</li><li>• A&amp;P: Mammalian</li><li>• A&amp;P: SEPARATE courses</li><li>• A&amp;P: Vertebrate</li></ul>
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## Chemistry I

Coursework older than **10** years will not be accepted

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Lab Required	Required
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Credits	SH: 4
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Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Chemistry I</li><li>• Chemistry: Inorganic</li></ul>
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## Chemistry II

Coursework older than **10** years will not be accepted

Must be at least a 4-credit course with a lab component. In-person labs are preferred. Minimum grade of B preferred. Only science courses designed for science majors are acceptable. All required science must be less than 10 years old.

Course Level	General or College
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Lab Required	Required
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Credits	SH: 4
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Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Chemistry II</li><li>• Chemistry: Inorganic</li></ul>
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## English Composition / Writing

Coursework older than <b>10</b> years will not be accepted	
Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Not Applicable
Credits	SH: 3
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• English Composition</li><li>• English Composition I</li><li>• English Composition II</li><li>• English Department Course</li><li>• Technical Writing</li><li>• Writing</li></ul>

## Physics I

Coursework older than <b>10</b> years will not be accepted	
Must be at least a 4-credit course with a lab component. In-person labs are preferred. Minimum grade of B preferred. Only science courses designed for science majors are acceptable. All required science must be less than 10 years old.	
Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Physics I</li><li>• Physics: General</li></ul>

## Physics II

Coursework older than <b>10</b> years will not be accepted	
Must be at least a 4-credit course with a lab component. In-person labs are preferred. Minimum grade of B preferred. Only science courses designed for science majors are acceptable. All required science must be less than 10 years old.	
Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Physics II</li><li>• Physics: General</li></ul>

## Psychology

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Not Applicable
Credits	SH: 3
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Psychology: Abnormal</li><li>• Psychology: Adolescent</li><li>• Psychology: Advanced</li><li>• Psychology: Child</li><li>• Psychology: Death &amp; Dying</li><li>• Psychology: Developmental</li><li>• Psychology: Growth &amp; Development</li><li>• Psychology: Human Behavior</li><li>• Psychology: Life Span Development</li><li>• Psychology: Psychopathology</li><li>• Psychology: Rehabilitation</li><li>• Psychology: Social</li><li>• Psychology: Sports</li></ul>

## Psychology

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Not Applicable
Credits	SH: 3
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Psychology: General</li><li>• Psychology: General I</li><li>• Psychology: General II</li></ul>

## Statistics

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Not Applicable
Credits	SH: 3
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Biology: Biostatistics</li><li>• Business: Statistics</li><li>• Mathematics: Statistics</li><li>• Psychology: Statistics</li></ul>

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Course Level	Upper Division
Lab Required	Not Applicable
Credits	SH: 9 (three 3-credit courses)
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Any three upper division courses from the same department, such as history, biology, etc.</li></ul>

## Deadlines

PT program start date for entering class	05/31/2022
Multiple start dates?	No
PTCAS application deadline	November 15, 2021
Deadline Type	Soft
Application close date	February 1, 2022
Program has rolling admissions process?	Yes

## Program Contacts

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