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Program Name	College of St Scholastica
General Description / Special Programs	
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Program Information	
Program Description	<p>The entry-level Doctor of Physical Therapy program at The College of St. Scholastica is guided by our mission and vision statements:</p> <p>Mission Statement- We advance clinical practice, develop leaders and scholars, and provide service through an inclusive and compassionate approach that is guided by evidence and shaped by the values of the College and of the Physical Therapy profession.</p> <p>Vision Statement- Be recognized as a transformative program that advances the physical therapy profession by educating, inspiring leadership, serving and engaging diverse communities, impacting all practice settings, and creating new knowledge.</p> <p>The entry-level DPT is a post-baccalaureate program (108 credits) that is completed in just under three years. The first year emphasizes foundational sciences, professional development, and clinical skill acquisition. Year two builds on this foundation, and emphasizes clinical reasoning, problem-solving and advanced application of knowledge and skills. Student have a unique opportunity to work in two on-site clinics (the maurices Community Clinic at CSS, and a clinic at a nearby Community College with a Physical Therapist Assistant Program), which provides supervised clinical practice and promotes intraprofessional collaboration. Multiple interprofessional experiences also occur with students from other CSS health science programs, and with students from health career programs at other local schools (e.g. nursing, pharmacy, medicine, and speech language pathology). Students are on full-time clinical internships during the third year, returning to campus for a short capstone course prior to graduation.</p> <p>Philosophically, the DPT program at The College of St. Scholastica is based on the confluence of the values cherished by our Benedictine heritage, the mission of the College, and the values of the physical therapy profession: Love of Learning is reflected in the professional values of diligence, dedication, and scientific inquiry; Respect is seen in the professional qualities of caring, communication, leadership and collaboration; Community is evident in the professional values of helping, collaborating, and welcoming diversity; Hospitality is realized through the professional values of warmth and openness; and, Stewardship is demonstrated through the process of scientific inquiry, which results in optimum use of resources to ensure that patients/clients receive the best possible care.</p> <p>The program is housed in the new Health Science Center at BlueStone, which includes state-of-the-art classroom spaces, a research laboratory, the community clinic, meeting spaces and designated student lounges. The program's high achievement outcomes in graduation rate, passing rate on the National Physical Therapy Examination for licensure, and employment rate substantiate the program's excellence in preparation of entry-level doctors of physical therapy.</p>
Program offers a guaranteed freshman admission pathway?	No

Program Information

Will the professional (entry-level) PT program offer a satellite or branch campus to applicants during the upcoming admissions cycle?	No
Institution's Religious Affiliation	Benedictine Catholic
Program conducts interviews as part of the admissions process?	No
Is a Deposit Required for Accepted Applicants?	Yes
Total cumulative deposit	\$500
Deposit Refundable?	No
Due Date of First Required Deposit	01/15/2021
Anticipated Size of the Next Entering Class	48
Size of Most Recent Entering Class	48
% of IN-STATE applicants accepted	70%
% of OUT-OF-STATE (non-resident) U.S. applicants accepted	30%
% Male	50%
% Female	50%
% White (Not of Hispanic Origin)	98%
% Declining to State	2%
Additional information about the class profile	Graduates of The College of St. Scholastica who meet admissions criteria receive priority review for admission to the program.

Admission Requirements

Supplemental FEE required?	No
Supplemental fee amount	\$0
Supplemental APPLICATION required?	No

Admission Requirements

Supplemental MATERIALS required?	No
Is GRE Required?	Yes
Program's PTCAS GRE code	7707
Last acceptable GRE test date for this cycle	09/14/2020
Oldest GRE test date considered for this cycle	10/01/2015
Additional information about program's GRE requirements	Preferred GRE scores: analytical writing 4.0; quantitative 148; verbal 150. Only GRE scores obtained within the 5 years prior to application will be accepted.
AVERAGE GRE Verbal reasoning scaled score	152
AVERAGE GRE Quantitative reasoning scaled score	153
MINIMUM GRE Analytical writing scaled score	0.5
AVERAGE GRE Analytical writing scaled score	4.0
Physical Therapist-1	Evaluator type accepted
Physical Therapist-2	Applicant must send a reference from one or more evaluators in this category
Professor in Major	Applicant must send a reference from one or more evaluators in this category
Professor	Applicant must send a reference from one or more evaluators in this category
Academic	Applicant must send a reference from one or more evaluators in this category
Supervisor/Employer	Applicant must send a reference from one or more evaluators in this category
Teaching Assistant	Evaluator type not accepted
PTA	Evaluator type not accepted
Pre-PT Advisor	Applicant must send a reference from one or more evaluators in this category
Politician	Evaluator type not accepted
Health Care Professional	Evaluator type not accepted
Friend	Evaluator type not accepted
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	A MINIMUM of two and MAXIMUM of four letters of recommendation must be completed/submitted as part of a complete application. Letter/s may be from a physical therapist, professor, academic (instructor, clinical instructor, adjunct professor), supervisor or employer, or Pre-PT advisor. Letters from individuals in the above "evaluator type(s) not accepted" category are not reviewed/considered. Additionally, letters from coaches are NOT accepted. *** Be sure the evaluator meets and selects the appropriate category from those accepted when they submit their letter. *** References MUST be received for an application to be considered complete.
Information about your PT requirements	While no specific number of observation hours is required, applicants are expected to have researched the profession sufficiently to demonstrate that they are making a career choice based on a sound understand of the role of the PT. Verified observations must be completed post high school and entered into PTCAS.
Program's PT hours requirement	PT hours are required - a licensed PT must verify hours w/ signed form uploaded or online via PTCAS
DEADLINE for completion of all PT hours	10/01/2020
Paid	Accepted/Considered
Volunteer	Accepted/Considered

Admission Requirements

Inpatient	Accepted/Considered
Outpatient	Accepted/Considered
MINIMUM GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative	3.00
AVERAGE GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative	3.57
MINIMUM GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.00
AVERAGE GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.48
Additional information about program's GPA requirements	The Program will consider whichever is higher: cumulative GPA or most recent 64 credit GPA, as calculated by PTCAS. A minimum of 3.0 is required. A grade of C or better is required in all physical therapy prerequisite courses in order to apply and to be admitted into the CSS DPT program. The Program calculates a prerequisite GPA based on our required prerequisite courses. If a prerequisite course was repeated, the highest grade is used in the prerequisite GPA calculation.
Program considers Canadian coursework?	Yes
Canadian Transcripts Dictionary	Send original Canadian transcript to PTCAS (recommended)
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, Foreign (non-U.S.) citizens, Other non-citizens (e.g., refugees)
Additional information about program's policy on foreign coursework	Professional course-by-course evaluation of original foreign transcripts is required, including all courses (subjects) describing equivalent U.S. semester credits and a GPA on a 4.0 scale. International applicants will also need to complete additional admission requirements: http://www.css.edu/graduate/masters-doctoral-and-professional-programs/admissions/international-student-admissions.html

Course Prerequisites

Bachelor's degree required prior to matriculation into PT program?	Yes
General Information	Science pre-requisites must be completed within 7 years prior to application. Contact the Graduate Admissions office if there are questions about the time frame or course equivalency. Because prerequisite courses establish the framework for the doctor of physical therapy program, all prerequisite courses must be completed at an institution of higher learning. Advanced placement courses taken in high school will not be accepted as meeting the prerequisite requirements for application to the entry-level Doctor of Physical Therapy program. If there are any questions about coursework meeting the criteria, please contact CSS Graduate Admissions, as early as possible before the application deadline. Recommended courses (in addition to prerequisites): neuroscience, kinesiology, research methods, and pathophysiology.
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	http://www.css.edu/graduate/masters-doctoral-and-professional-programs/areas-of-study/doctor-of-physical-therapy-%28dpt%29/admissions-information.html

Anatomy & Physiology I

Full year sequence of human or vertebrate anatomy and physiology is required. Lab experiences are required (preferably with a human cadaver). CSS course sequence: BIO 2110-2120 Human Anatomy and Physiology I & II. Coursework older than 7 years not accepted.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 3
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A&P: Advanced• A&P: COMBINED Course (eg. A&P)• A&P: Human• A&P: SEPARATE courses• A&P: Vertebrate

Anatomy & Physiology II

See Anatomy & Physiology I.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 3
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A&P: COMBINED Course (eg. A&P)• A&P: Human• A&P: SEPARATE courses• A&P: Vertebrate

Chemistry I

Full year sequence of chemistry with labs, is REQUIRED. Courses with virtual labs are discouraged. A lower division sequence (1000-2000 level) is acceptable. CSS course sequence: CHM 1110-1120 General Chemistry I & II.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 3
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chemistry I• Chemistry: Biochemistry• Chemistry: Inorganic• Chemistry: Organic

Chemistry II

See Chemistry I description.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 3
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chemistry II• Chemistry: Biochemistry• Chemistry: Inorganic• Chemistry: Organic

Medical Terminology

A course in medical terminology is REQUIRED. A complete college-credited course in online format is accepted for meeting the requirement. CSS course: HSC 2209 Medical Terminology (2 credits).

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Not Required
Credits	SH: 1
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Medical Terminology

Physics I

A full year sequence of physics with labs is REQUIRED. A single introduction to physics or a survey course in physics WILL NOT fulfill the requirement. CSS course sequence: PSC 2001-2002 Physics I & II.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 3
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Physics I

Physics II

See Physics I description.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 3
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Physics II

Psychology

Course(s) addressing lifespan developmental psychology covering birth to death is/are REQUIRED. A psychology based course(s) is/are preferred. General Psych. does not meet the requirement. Multi-course sequences that cover the complete lifespan are acceptable. CSS course: PSY 2208 Lifespan Developmental Psych.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Not Required
Credits	SH: 3
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Psychology: Developmental• Psychology: Growth & Development• Psychology: Life Span Development

Psychology

A course in Abnormal Psychology is REQUIRED. The course should include mental health and psychopathology components. CSS course: PSY 3423 Abnormal Psychology.

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

Statistics

Designated statistics course to include statistical concepts and methods used in conducting research is REQUIRED. Psych. course recommended, other disciplines acceptable. CSS course: PSY 3331 Statistics.

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

Deadlines

PT program start date for entering class	06/21/2021
Multiple start dates?	No
PTCAS application deadline	Oct 01 2020
Deadline Type	Firm
Program has rolling admissions process?	No
Important dates	<p>Applicants must submit ALL application materials by October 1st; earlier submissions are encouraged to ensure time for verification. It is the responsibility of the applicant to track all materials to ensure their application is complete and verified based on Program requirements.</p> <p>Applications not verified by PTCAS by November 6 will not be considered. Applicants will be notified of their acceptance status by early January. If admitted to the program, all pre-requisite courses and a baccalaureate degree must be completed by June 4, 2021, prior to the start of the program.</p> <p>Interviews are not conducted, but applicants are encouraged to schedule a campus visit early in the process.</p> <p>Questions about course equivalency or requests for waivers of any requirements must be submitted no later than September 4, 2020, and earlier requests are suggested in order to get a response and act on it prior to the application deadline.</p> <p>The College of St. Scholastica will not accept any more than three applications from any individual during the course of his or her academic career.</p>

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