

East Tennessee State University

Program Information	
Program Name	East Tennessee State University
General Description / Special Programs	
Established	1996
Country	United States
State	TN
City	Johnson City
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Program Information	
Program Description	<p>The Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program at East Tennessee State University (ETSU) enrolls a new class of 39 students annually in the spring semester (January). The program is completed in 9 semesters or 3 years with graduations occurring each December. Clinical education is integrated throughout the curriculum, including experiences in the first year of study. The ongoing inclusion of clinical experiences in the curriculum is considered a highlight and strength of our program by our students.</p> <p>The majority of our faculty are PhD prepared clinicians actively engaged in practice and research as well as in teaching. The faculty includes board certified clinical specialists in orthopedics and pediatrics as well as certified specialists in vestibular rehabilitation, hand therapy and orthopaedic manual physical therapy and physical therapists with doctoral training in the basic and social sciences. Our faculty are actively engaged in APTA and other professional associations as well as local and international service.</p> <p>The Department of Physical Therapy is part of ETSU's Academic Health Science Center which includes the Quillen College of Medicine, the Gatton School of Pharmacy, the Veterans Affairs hospital, and the Colleges of Clinical and Rehabilitative Health Sciences, Public Health and Nursing. The Physical Therapy Department is physically located on the Mountain Home Veteran's administration campus adjacent to the College of Medicine and the College of Pharmacy. Our location within the Academic Health Science Center affords our faculty and students many unique opportunities in education, service and clinical practice that enhance our program. Physical therapy students enroll in anatomy and neuroscience classes with medical students and have the opportunity to participate in a variety of optional interprofessional learning activities.</p> <p>The mission of the Physical Therapy Department at East Tennessee State University is to advance the practice of physical therapy through the provision of high quality professional physical therapy education, research and service, taking advantage of the unique opportunities and responsibilities provided by our location in within an Academic Health Science Center in a rural setting. East Tennessee State University is located in Johnson City, Tennessee close to the Virginia and North Carolina borders between the Great Smokey Mountains and the Blue Ridge Mountains. This region offers a moderate climate encompassing all four seasons and is a recreational haven offering camping, fishing, mountain biking, whitewater rafting, hiking and snow skiing. The surrounding area offers many cultural/social events such as community festivals and fairs and is located in the heart of the Appalachian Trail in Tennessee.</p>
Program offers a guaranteed freshman admission pathway?	Yes

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	none
Program conducts interviews as part of the admissions process?	Yes
Is a Deposit Required for Accepted Applicants?	Yes
Total cumulative deposit	\$150
Additional Information about Deposit	Deposit will be credited to tuition the first semester of enrollment.
Deposit Refundable?	No
Due Date of First Required Deposit	01/04/2021
Anticipated Size of the Next Entering Class	39
Size of Most Recent Entering Class	39
% of IN-STATE applicants accepted	60%
% of OUT-OF-STATE (non-resident) U.S. applicants accepted	40%
% Male	49%
% Female	51%
% Asian	2.5%
% African-American/Black (Non-Hispanic)	2.5%
% White (Not of Hispanic Origin)	95%

Admission Requirements

Supplemental FEE required?	Yes
Supplemental fee amount	\$55
Supplemental APPLICATION required?	Yes
Supplemental MATERIALS required?	Yes

Admission Requirements

Description of supplemental materials required	Application to the ETSU School of Graduate Studies must be completed by March 1, 2021 in addition to the PTCAS application. NOTE: Application fee for the ETSU School of Graduate Studies is \$65.00 for international students.
Supplemental forms and materials required by program - item 1	ETSU School of Graduate Studies Application
Supplemental forms and materials required by program - item 2	Release of GRE scores to ETSU School of Graduate Studies
Deadline for Submission of Supplemental Materials	03/01/2021
Link to supplemental forms or instructions	https://etsuapply.force.com/app/TX_SiteLogin?startURL=%2Fapp%2FTargetX_Portal_PB
Is GRE Required?	Yes
University GRE code	1198
PT Program department GRE code	0619
AVERAGE GRE Verbal reasoning scaled score	150
AVERAGE GRE Quantitative reasoning scaled score	150
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	Evaluator type accepted
Academic	Evaluator type accepted
Supervisor/Employer	Evaluator type accepted
Teaching Assistant	Evaluator type accepted
PTA	Evaluator type accepted
Pre-PT Advisor	Evaluator type accepted
Politician	Evaluator type not accepted
Health Care Professional	Evaluator type accepted
Friend	Evaluator type accepted
Family Member	Evaluator type not accepted
Co-worker	Evaluator type accepted
Clergy	Evaluator type accepted
Other	Evaluator type accepted
Number of references required by program	3
Additional information about program's reference requirements	At least one reference must be completed and submitted by a currently licensed physical therapist.
Information about your PT requirements	Strongly recommended observation in varied practice settings and at least two settings seeing different types of patients or clients.
Program's PT hours requirement	PT hours are not required but are highly recommended
Total number of PT Hours REQUIRED	0
Paid	Accepted/Considered
Volunteer	Accepted/Considered
Inpatient	Accepted/Considered

Admission Requirements

Outpatient	Accepted/Considered
MINIMUM GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative	2.70
AVERAGE GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative	3.64
MINIMUM GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.00
AVERAGE GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.52
Additional information about program's GPA requirements	Program will use the highest grade achieved when calculating the pre-requisite GPA, if a course was repeated. If a higher grade is earned in a higher level course than the minimum pre-requisite requirement, if the course still meets the topic requirement, the higher grade may be substituted for for the pre-requisite requirement. A single course cannot be used to satisfy multiple pre-requisite requirements. A minimum GPA of 2.0 must be achieved for any course used to satisfy a pre-requisite requirement.
Program considers Canadian coursework?	Yes
CanadianTranscriptsDictionary	Send WES foreign evaluation for Canadian courses to PTCAS
Program policy for non-U.S. (foreign/international) coursework	Send an original foreign transcript directly to the PT program
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
Additional information about program's policy on foreign coursework	Applicants must send any original foreign transcripts directly to ETSU (and not to PTCAS). The foreign records must be official or attested university transcripts (including proof of all degrees received) and must include certified translations, if the foreign transcripts are not written in English. Foreign transcripts must be attested by the awarding institution. Notarized copies and third-party attestations of foreign transcripts are not acceptable to ETSU. Applicants who attended an Indian institution must also provide individual year mark sheets directly to ETSU. Summary mark sheets for Indian coursework are not accepted by ETSU. The supplemental application fee for the ETSU School of Graduate Studies is \$65.00 for international students.

Course Prerequisites

Bachelor's degree required prior to matriculation into PT program?	Yes
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://catalog.etsu.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=5&poiid=943&returnto=145

Anatomy

Separate Human Anatomy course is preferred. UPPER DIVISION (3000-4000 level) course preferred. Combined A&P courses require departmental approval. Evaluation of combined A&P courses require committee review and approval of course syllabi in order to satisfy this pre-requisite requirement. Contact the Admissions Coordinator for approval.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Recommended
Credits	SH: 3-4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A&P: Advanced • A&P: Animal • A&P: Any • A&P: COMBINED Course (eg. A&P) • A&P: Comparative • A&P: Exercise Physiology • A&P: Human • A&P: Mammalian • A&P: Neuroanatomy • A&P: Neurophysiology • A&P: Pathophysiology • A&P: Physiology • A&P: SEPARATE courses • A&P: Vertebrate • Biology: Any

Biology I

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology: Advanced• Biology: Any• Biology: Biostatistics• Biology: Cell• Biology: Embryology• Biology: General• Biology: General I• Biology: General II• Biology: Genetics• Biology: Histology• Biology: Immunology• Biology: Microbiology• Biology: Molecular• Biology: Zoology• Chemistry: Biochemistry

Biology II

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology: Advanced• Biology: Any• Biology: Biostatistics• Biology: Cell• Biology: Embryology• Biology: General II• Biology: Genetics• Biology: Histology• Biology: Immunology• Biology: Microbiology• Biology: Molecular• Biology: Zoology

Chemistry I

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chemistry I• Chemistry: Advanced• Chemistry: Any• Chemistry: Biochemistry• Chemistry: Inorganic• Chemistry: Organic

Chemistry II

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chemistry II• Chemistry: Advanced• Chemistry: Biochemistry• Chemistry: Inorganic• Chemistry: Organic

Exercise Physiology

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Recommended
Credits	SH: 3-4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exercise Physiology

Physics I

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physics I • Physics II • Physics: General

Physics II

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physics II • Physics: General

Physiology

Separate Human Physiology course is preferred. Combined A&P courses require departmental approval. Evaluation of combined A&P courses require committee review and approval of course syllabi in order to satisfy this pre-requisite requirement. Contact the Admissions Coordinator to initiate the approval process.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Recommended
Credits	SH: 4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A&P: Advanced • A&P: Animal • A&P: Any • A&P: COMBINED Course (eg. A&P) • A&P: Comparative • A&P: Exercise Physiology • A&P: Human • A&P: Mammalian • A&P: Neuroanatomy • A&P: Neurophysiology • A&P: Pathophysiology • A&P: Physiology • A&P: SEPARATE courses • A&P: Vertebrate • Biology: Any

Psychology

1 of 2 psychology courses required	
Course Level	Introductory
Lab Required	Not Required
Credits	SH: 3
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Psychology: Abnormal• Psychology: Adolescent• Psychology: Advanced• Psychology: Any• Psychology: Child• Psychology: Death & Dying• Psychology: Developmental• Psychology: General• Psychology: General I• Psychology: General II• Psychology: Growth & Development• Psychology: Human Behavior• Psychology: Life Span Development• Psychology: Psychopathology• Psychology: Rehabilitation• Psychology: Social• Psychology: Sports• Psychology: Statistics

Psychology

2 of 2 psychology courses required	
Course Level	Introductory
Lab Required	Not Required
Credits	SH: 3
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Psychology: Abnormal• Psychology: Adolescent• Psychology: Advanced• Psychology: Any• Psychology: Child• Psychology: Death & Dying• Psychology: Developmental• Psychology: General• Psychology: General I• Psychology: General II• Psychology: Growth & Development• Psychology: Human Behavior• Psychology: Life Span Development• Psychology: Psychopathology• Psychology: Rehabilitation• Psychology: Social• Psychology: Sports• Psychology: Statistics

Statistics

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

Deadlines

PT program start date for entering class	01/18/2022
Multiple start dates?	No
PTCAS application deadline	Mar 01 2021
Deadline Type	Firm
Program has rolling admissions process?	No
Important dates	Applications received by October 1st will be pre-screened for early consideration of acceptance into the program. All applications will remain in the applicant pool for final consideration after the March 1st final application deadline.

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