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Program Name	Georgia State University
General Description / Special Programs	
Established	
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Program Information	
Program Description	<p>We are pleased to have the opportunity to introduce to you some of what makes Georgia State University's Department of Physical Therapy such an exciting and progressive place. As the first public institution in the state of Georgia to receive approval to grant the Doctor of Physical Therapy degree, we invite you to consider our curriculum, our students, our faculty, our research, and our location as you investigate various programs of study.</p> <p>Located in the heart of Atlanta and within the largest urban university in Georgia, we are within blocks of some of the finest healthcare facilities in the country.</p> <p>Our mission is to prepare doctors of physical therapy who are committed to clinical excellence, professional distinction, and the pursuit of scholarly activities that contribute to the body of scientific and clinical knowledge. A major feature that distinguishes our program is the depth and breadth of our faculty. Known for their foundational and clinical knowledge, the faculty are leaders in their professions. Emeritus faculty, clinical adjunct faculty and part-time instructors enhance our clinical and academic instruction.</p> <p>The physical therapy faculty are nationally recognized teachers and clinicians, and most are involved in clinical research. Clinical research interests of our faculty focus on topics such as exercise-induced and traumatic muscle injuries and the functional relationship between muscle and bone, wheelchair locomotion and skill trainings, Tai Chi for individuals with disability, diabetes, motor learning and older adults, mobility methods for children with cerebral palsy, virtual reality for enhancing rehabilitation, and fall prevention.</p> <p>Our faculty collaborate with renowned experts in the metro area as well as around the country. The clinical research projects conducted by our faculty have been funded by the Department of Defense, by the National Institutes of Health, by National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research, by Paralyzed Veterans of America, and by American Association of Retired Persons.</p> <p>We welcome students to our program from diverse backgrounds and locations, majors and interests. We value that diversity. Our students are simply the best.</p> <p>Exceptional learning opportunities await each student, whether on campus, or at one of our clinical affiliation sites. We have affiliations with over 200 different healthcare facilities, many within the metro Atlanta area, but also, across the country, including Maine, New York, and Wisconsin. Unique opportunities await students as they partner with faculty members and conduct student research projects, contributing to the evidence themselves. Students have the opportunity to present their research at local, state, and national meetings.</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
Program conducts interviews as part of the admissions process?	Yes
Is a Deposit Required for Accepted Applicants?	Yes
Total cumulative deposit	\$500
Additional Information about Deposit	This deposit is non-refundable, and goes toward your tuition.
Deposit Refundable?	No
Due Date of First Required Deposit	01/16/2021
Anticipated Size of the Next Entering Class	44
Size of Most Recent Entering Class	44
% of IN-STATE applicants accepted	91%
% of OUT-OF-STATE (non-resident) U.S. applicants accepted	9%
% Male	41%
% Female	59%
% Hispanic	2%
% Asian	2%
% African-American/Black (Non-Hispanic)	16%
% White (Not of Hispanic Origin)	73%
% Two or More Races	7%

## Admission Requirements

Supplemental FEE required?	Yes
Supplemental fee amount	\$50
Supplemental APPLICATION required?	Yes
Supplemental MATERIALS required?	Yes
Description of supplemental materials required	Send all official transcripts to PTCAS. Supplemental GSU Graduate Application - Link: <a href="https://gradapply.gsu.edu/apply/">https://gradapply.gsu.edu/apply/</a> *The supplemental GSU Graduate application and fee is required to apply. It is your responsibility to submit the application and fee in sufficient time to meet the deadline. Tuition Classification - Residency: Also, proof of residency may be required only upon acceptance into the program if you have attended a college or university within the last year outside of the state of Georgia. We must have the most current information to evaluate your residency; therefore, we cannot accept any information before acceptance into the program. Please find more information here: <a href="http://sfs.gsu.edu/tuition-fees/tuition-classification/">http://sfs.gsu.edu/tuition-fees/tuition-classification/</a> .
Supplemental forms and materials required by program - item 1	Proof of Residency (may be required, once accepted)
Supplemental forms and materials required by program - item 2	Supplemental GSU Graduate Application - Link: <a href="https://gradapply.gsu.edu/apply/">https://gradapply.gsu.edu/apply/</a>
Link to supplemental forms or instructions	<a href="https://lewis.gsu.edu/pt/pt-academics-admissions/#application-instructions">https://lewis.gsu.edu/pt/pt-academics-admissions/#application-instructions</a>
Is GRE Required?	Yes

## Admission Requirements

University GRE code	5251
Last acceptable GRE test date for this cycle	09/01/2020
Oldest GRE test date considered for this cycle	09/01/2015
Additional information about program's GRE requirements	It is your responsibility to take the GRE exam in sufficient time in order to meet the appropriate deadline. *Allow for processing time. We suggest that you allow 4-6 weeks from your test date for GRE scores to be sent, received, and processed. Please take this into consideration when deciding when to take the GRE. * GRE score requirements: Quantitative & Verbal- Minimum 145 REQUIRED Analytical/Written- Minimum 3.5 PREFERRED * Note: To be truly competitive, aim to exceed the listed scores.
MINIMUM GRE Verbal reasoning scaled score	145
AVERAGE GRE Verbal reasoning scaled score	153
MINIMUM GRE Quantitative reasoning scaled score	145
AVERAGE GRE Quantitative reasoning scaled score	153
MINIMUM GRE Analytical writing scaled score	3.0
AVERAGE GRE Analytical writing scaled score	4.0
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 accepted
Health Care Professional	Evaluator type accepted
Friend	Evaluator type not accepted
Family Member	Evaluator type not accepted
Co-worker	Evaluator type accepted
Clergy	Evaluator type not accepted
Other	Evaluator type accepted
Number of references required by program	2
Additional information about program's reference requirements	At least one of the applicants letters of recommendation must be from a licensed physical therapist who has observed or supervised the applicant in the clinical setting.
Information about your PT requirements	* An applicant must complete a minimum of 80 hours of volunteer/observation experience in at least 2 different types of clinical settings including outpatient, pediatric, hospital, rehab, or skilled nursing facility. * Forty (40) of the hours must be completed prior to submitting the application. Any remaining hours must be completed before matriculation into the program, (June 1). Applicants must have knowledge of physical therapy by working, observing, or volunteering in at least two different types of physical therapy settings. An example of different settings include outpatient orthopedic clinic, skilled nursing facility, acute care in the hospital, inpatient rehabilitation, or pediatric clinic. The hours may be split in any combination, provided a minimum of 20 hours is spent in each setting. A minimum of 40 hours of the required 80 hours must be completed prior to submitting application. Applicants will need to put their PT Experience (volunteer hours) in through PTCAS even if they are re-applicants
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	80

## Admission Requirements

Total number of PT Hours RECOMMENDED	80
Paid	Accepted/Considered
Volunteer	Accepted/Considered
Inpatient	Required
Outpatient	Required
MINIMUM GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative	3.00
AVERAGE GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative	3.73
MINIMUM GPA Program- specific prerequisite	3.00
AVERAGE GPA Program- specific prerequisite	3.66
Additional information about program's GPA requirements	For any course that is repeated the average of the scores will be used to calculate the GPA. No grade of C-, D, or F for any pre-requisite course will be accepted. A minimum of 3.0 prerequisite and overall GPA are required. Applicants are required to maintain a minimum of 3.0 prerequisite GPA until completion of their undergraduate degree and all prerequisites.
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 WES foreign transcript evaluation to PTCAS (recommended)
Additional information for the foreign transcripts	An applicant who has completed all or part of his/her education outside the United States is required to have his/her foreign credentials evaluated by an independent evaluation service (WES). You also will need to send official transcripts to GSU.
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	An applicant who has completed all or part of his/her education outside the United States is required to have his/her foreign credentials evaluated by an independent evaluation service. It is recommended that you use World Education Services. Please allow sufficient time to have your credentials assessed to assure that the evaluating service has enough time to send their evaluation to PTCAS/the Office of Academic Assistance by the application deadline. On average, it takes 4 weeks from the time the evaluation agency receives your materials until we receive the evaluation. Applicants with credentials from international schools are required to submit transcripts by the appropriate deadline to PTCAS/the Office of Academic Assistance. These transcripts must be official copies and are in addition to the transcripts submitted to the independent evaluation service.

## Course Prerequisites

Bachelor's degree required prior to matriculation into PT program?	Yes
General Information	SIX of the nine prerequisites must be completed at the time of application.*All nine must be completed before the start of the program. Students seeking admission require a strong science background. When calculating GPA, averages will be taken of all course attempts. Note: Effective 2019-2020 admissions cycle, all pre-requisites must be taken within 10 years of the application. For Georgia State University Students Only: Georgia State University Exercise Science students who have taken KH 2220 (Musculoskeletal Function and Human Performance I) and KH 2230 (Musculoskeletal Function and Human Performance II) can use these courses in place of BIOL 1110K/1120K. KH 3550 (Evaluation and Instrumentation in Physical Education) can be used in place of MATH 1070 (Statistics). No AP credit courses are accepted for Psychology, Statistics, or Biology. AP credit courses may be considered for Chem I and Phys I, if Chem II and Phys II were taken at an accredited institution. Anatomy & Physiology and Biology courses must have a BIO prefix. Psychology courses must have a PSY prefix. If you have questions on whether or not a course you have taken fulfills the pre-requisite requirements please contact the Office of Academic Assistance at 404-413-1000.
Anatomy and/or Physiology (A&P) course prerequisites MUST be completed in biology, neuroscience, anatomy, or integrated physiology department	Yes
Link to program's prerequisite instructions	<a href="https://lewis.gsu.edu/pt/pt-academics-admissions/pt-admission-requirements/">https://lewis.gsu.edu/pt/pt-academics-admissions/pt-admission-requirements/</a>

## Anatomy & Physiology I

Can take Human Anatomy & Physiology I & II or 1 semester of Human Anatomy & 1 semester of Human Physiology. Labs are not required but preferred. Courses in Vertebrate or Mammalian Anatomy and Exercise Physiology DO NOT fulfill this requirement.

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

## Anatomy & Physiology II

Can take Human Anatomy & Physiology I & II or 1 semester of Human Anatomy & 1 semester of Human Physiology. Labs are not required but preferred.

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

## Biology / Biological Science

We accept any level Biology with a lab. Please take a Biology for science majors. The course MUST have a Biology prefix. Prefix meaning BIO 2300 not ENV 2200 (Environmental Biology) or any other prefix. Botany (plant biology) DOES NOT fill this requirement.

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

## Chemistry I

Can take General Chemistry I & II or Principles of Chemistry I & II with labs. Introductory Chemistry, Chemistry Calculation and Survey Chemistry courses DO NOT fulfill this requirement.

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

## Chemistry II

Can take General Chemistry I & II or Principles of Chemistry I & II with labs. Introductory Chemistry, Chemistry Calculation and Survey Chemistry courses DO NOT fulfill this requirement.

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

## Physics I

This course should be part of a one-year sequence in physics with laboratories. Biomechanics and Musculoskeletal courses DO NOT fulfill this requirement. Calculus-based Physics is strongly recommended.

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

## Physics II

Biomechanics and Musculoskeletal courses DO NOT fulfill this requirement.

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

## Psychology

We accept any level Psychology. The course must have a PSY prefix...no exceptions

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: Any</li><li>• Psychology: Developmental</li><li>• Psychology: General</li></ul>

## Statistics

In addition to Introduction to Statistics we will accept Biological Statistics, Business Statistics and/or Psychological 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>

## Deadlines

PT program start date for entering class	06/07/2021
Multiple start dates?	No
PTCAS application deadline	Aug 17 2020
Deadline Type	Soft
Application close date	Oct 15 2020
Program has rolling admissions process?	No
Important dates	<p><b>Please do NOT submit any admission materials to PTCAS before the PTCAS application portal opens July 2020. The Priority Review deadline is Aug 15, 2020. The HARD deadline is Oct 15, 2020.</b> A date for the priority review and general interviews will be announced to those invited.</p> <p><b>Priority Review is replacing the Early Decision option previously offered via PTCAS. The Priority Review Deadline: Aug 15, 2020 - Note: This option is for applicants that feel that GSU is their 1st choice, please submit your application by Aug 15.</b></p> <p><b>For your application to meet the Priority Review Decision or HARD deadline:</b></p> <p>Your PTCAS application must be received, complete, and <b>verified</b> by the appropriate deadline. Your application will <b>not</b> be reviewed if it is missing any components or isn't complete and <b>verified</b> by the deadline.</p> <p>Six of the nine required prerequisites, two references, all official transcripts, and 40 out of the required 80 observation hours must be included on the PTCAS application, at the time of application.</p> <p>GRE scores received and showing in Banner (Please have ETS send your official GRE scores to GSU directly, using university code 5251. Please self-report your GRE scores on the PTCAS application.)</p> <p>Supplemental GSU Graduate Application and fee received and showing in Banner: (<a href="https://gradapply.gsu.edu/apply/">https://gradapply.gsu.edu/apply/</a>)</p> <p><b>Q&amp;A Session(s) and Open House(s) will be announced here, on our website, and Facebook page.</b></p> <p><b>*Q&amp;A Session -</b></p> <p>*Apr 3 from 12-1 (RSVP here <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CPQ37W2">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CPQ37W2</a>)</p> <p>1. *May 15 from 12-1 (RSVP here <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JVH9PKX">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JVH9PKX</a>)</p> <p>*More TBA</p>

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