



## Program Information

Program Name	Howard University
General Description / Special Programs	
Established	
Country	United States
State	DC
City	Washington
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## Program Information

Program Description	<p>Howard University is an urban campus located in the heart of Washington, DC. The campus includes a hospital and has close access to public transportation (i.e., airport, bus, subway, train). Housing is available both on and off campus. Consistent with the mission of Howard University, the mission of the program is: "to recruit and prepare promising African Americans and underserved minority populations with leadership potential to become compassionate, and competent physical therapists, with expertise in clinical decision making, problem solving and research. The program is committed to attracting and sustaining a cadre of faculty who promote critical thinking, self inquiry, active learning, community service, cultural sensitivity, and ethical behavior in their students and contribute to the practice and enhancement of the profession on national and international levels."</p> <p>The program consists of 109 credit hours of post-baccalaureate work that is completed in two and a half years. Students begin the program in May, and graduate in December of their third year. The professional program is developmental and begins with foundational courses in semester 1, and culminates in integrated didactic and clinical experiences in semester 7. The program is designed around the four pillars of the APTA's Guide to Physical Therapist Practice: 1) Cardiopulmonary, 2) Integumentary, 3) Musculoskeletal, and 4) Neuromuscular. Strong emphasis is also placed on communication, diverse communities, ethics, law and practice management.</p> <p>Students begin their clinical experiences through observation and by taking foundational summer online courses with concentration on basic physical therapy concepts of development, movement and physical therapy management. They also begin to delve into clinical medicine and a basic understanding of pathology. During the second semester, students continue to build on their skills regarding physical therapy concepts through clinical experiences and observations, while also focusing on enhancing skills and understanding of musculoskeletal and neurological anatomy. Students complete monthly observation/participation experiences in environments representing diverse practice areas and also complete a community-based health promotion project during the third semester. Additional musculoskeletal and neuromuscular clinical experiences are introduced in the fourth semester, when students complete an 8-week full-time clinical experience. The fifth semester allows advanced learning and clinical exposure in each of the four pillars. While weekly rotations in diverse practice environments highlight experiences in the 6th semester. Additionally, students participate in clinical experiences related to spinal dysfunction. The seventh semester includes two 7-week or one 14-week full-time clinical experience. In the final semester, students participate in a 12-week specialty rotation that allows them to experience a specialized area of interest. Other clinical exposures include observation of wellness practice and mentorship through a practice management experience.</p> <p>The program has seven full-time faculty members, and numerous adjunct and associate faculty members. Each of the core faculty members hold a doctoral degree (1 EdD, 1 DrPH, 2 PhD, 1 DSc), and five also have DPT degrees. Three of the full-time faculty members are board certified specialists in Geriatrics or Orthopedics. Over the past four years, the faculty has averaged approximately 6-8 publications in peer-reviewed journals. The faculty-to-student ratio is currently 1:8.1</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	\$300
Additional Information about Deposit	A one time \$300.00 enrollment fee is required for each student once the letter of intent is returned to the school. Students will have to pay this fee online prior to beginning summer courses.
Deposit Refundable?	No
Due Date of First Required Deposit	03/15/2021
Anticipated Size of the Next Entering Class	15
Size of Most Recent Entering Class	15
% of IN-STATE applicants accepted	25%
% of OUT-OF-STATE (non-resident) U.S. applicants accepted	75%
% Male	25%
% Female	75%
% Hispanic	6.25%
% Asian	6.25%
% African-American/Black (Non-Hispanic)	81.25%
% Two or More Races	6.25%

Admission Requirements	
Supplemental FEE required?	No
Supplemental fee amount	\$0
Supplemental APPLICATION required?	Yes

Admission Requirements	
Supplemental MATERIALS required?	Yes
Description of supplemental materials required	Students should visit the Howard University Physical Therapy website for specific information ( <a href="https://cnaahs.howard.edu/programs/physical-therapy/graduate-physical-therapy">https://cnaahs.howard.edu/programs/physical-therapy/graduate-physical-therapy</a> ) Carefully read information under the following tabs: APPLY NOW, PLAN OF STUDY, PREREQUISITES, ADMISSIONS CHECKLIST Upload a personal video of yourself to youtube and include the link to the video at the top of each document and where requested on the checklist form. Refer to the PTCAS application for supplemental video questions. Students should submit the entire supplemental application package to : dptadmissions@howard.edu
Supplemental forms and materials required by program - item 1	Video presentation to be loaded through YouTube link
Document upload requirements	Upload the supplemental application as a single document at dptadmissions@howard.edu. Include the following header in the subject line: DPT Admissions Application: 2021 Cohort: (LAST NAME, FIRST NAME) PTCAS# Supplemental application documents include: Admissions Checklist, Resume, Copy of GRE scores (from the Testing Center), completed Prerequisite Worksheet, YouTube link and PTCAS # at the top of each form.
Deadline for Submission of Supplemental Materials	01/15/2021
Link to supplemental forms or instructions	<a href="https://cnaahs.howard.edu/programs/physical-therapy/graduate-physical-therapy">https://cnaahs.howard.edu/programs/physical-therapy/graduate-physical-therapy</a>
Is GRE Required?	Yes
Program's PTCAS GRE code	0542
Last acceptable GRE test date for this cycle	01/15/2021
Oldest GRE test date considered for this cycle	01/15/2016
Additional information about program's GRE requirements	The new PTCAS GRE code for the DPT program at Howard University is 0542.
MINIMUM GRE Verbal reasoning scaled score	150
MINIMUM GRE Quantitative reasoning scaled score	150
MINIMUM GRE Analytical writing scaled score	3.0
Physical Therapist-1	Evaluator type accepted
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

Admission Requirements	
Co-worker	Evaluator type not accepted
Clergy	Evaluator type not accepted
Other	Evaluator type not accepted
Number of references required by program	3
Information about your PT requirements	Minimum 40 hours in inpatient acute hospital facility. Experience in a minimum of 2 types of PT practice settings.
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	200
Total number of PT Hours RECOMMENDED	1000
Paid	Accepted/Considered
Volunteer	Accepted/Considered
Inpatient	Required
Outpatient	Accepted/Considered
MINIMUM GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative	3.00
AVERAGE GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative	3.40
MINIMUM GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.00
AVERAGE GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.40
Additional information about program's GPA requirements	Course-work is acceptable from either a two-year or four-year college or institution. Course work seven years old or greater will NOT be accepted.
Program considers Canadian coursework?	Yes
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

Course Prerequisites	
Bachelor's degree required prior to matriculation into PT program?	Yes
General Information	All applicants are required to review the Howard University DPT Prerequisite Course Form. This form can be found on the Department of Physical Therapy website. Courses taken seven or more years ago will NOT be accepted . These courses must be taken again to meet prerequisite requirements. Any questions should be forwarded to the Admissions Committee at dptadmissions@howard.edu. Applicants can also call at (202) 806-7614
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://cnahs.howard.edu/programs/physical-therapy/graduate-physical-therapy">https://cnahs.howard.edu/programs/physical-therapy/graduate-physical-therapy</a>

Anatomy	
Human Anatomy & General Physiology; or Anatomy & Physiology I & II. Coursework older than 7 years not accepted.	
Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4
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: SEPARATE courses</li> </ul>

Biology I	
Students who have taken Biology I and II seven (7) or more years ago will be required to only repeat Biology II within seven (7) years to meet the prerequisite requirement for these courses. 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"> <li>• Biology: General I</li> </ul>

Biology II	
Students who have taken Biology I and II seven (7) or more years ago will be required to only repeat Biology II within seven (7) years to meet the prerequisite requirement for these courses. 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"> <li>• Biology: General II</li> </ul>

Chemistry I	
Students who have taken Chemistry I and II seven (7) or more years ago will be required to only repeat Chemistry II within seven (7) years to meet the prerequisite requirement for these courses. Coursework older than 7 years not accepted.	
Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 3-4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chemistry: Inorganic</li> </ul>

## Chemistry II

Students who have taken Chemistry I and II seven (7) or more years ago will be required to only repeat Chemistry II within seven (7) years to meet the prerequisite requirement for these courses. Coursework older than 7 years not accepted.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 3-4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Chemistry: Inorganic</li></ul>

## First Aid / CPR

Applicants can take a CPR course certified by the American Red Cross to fulfill this requirement. Applicants must provide a valid copy of the CPR certification card as part of the PTCAS application and the supplemental application package. Coursework older than 2 years not accepted.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 3
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>CPR</li><li>First Aid</li></ul>

## Math

Algebra II or Pre-Calculus. Coursework older than 7 years not accepted.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Not Applicable
Credits	SH: 3-4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Mathematics: Algebra</li><li>Mathematics: Calculus</li><li>Mathematics: Pre-Calculus</li></ul>

## Medical Terminology

Coursework older than 7 years not accepted. Applicants can take an online course to fulfill this requirement. Courses descriptions should be sent to [dptadmissions@howard.edu](mailto:dptadmissions@howard.edu) to be approved.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Not Required
Credits	SH: 3
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Medical Terminology</li></ul>

## Nutrition, Health, Wellness

Nutrition. 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"><li>Nutrition</li><li>Wellness</li></ul>

## Physics I

Students who have taken Physics I and II seven (7) or more years ago will be required to only repeat Physics II within seven (7) years to meet the prerequisite requirement for these courses. Applicants can also take Physics for Allied Health I to fulfill this requirement. Coursework older than 7 years not accepted.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Recommended
Credits	SH: 4-5
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Physics I</li></ul>

## Physics II

Students who have taken Physics I and II seven (7) or more years ago will be required to only repeat Physics II within seven (7) years to meet the prerequisite requirement for these courses. Applicants can also take Physics for Allied Health II to fulfill this requirement. Coursework older than 7 years not accepted.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Recommended
Credits	SH: 4-5
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Physics II</li></ul>

## Physiology

Human Anatomy & General Physiology; or Anatomy & Physiology I & II. Coursework older than 7 years not accepted.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4
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: SEPARATE courses</li></ul>

## Psychology

Introduction to Psychology. Coursework older than 7 years not accepted.

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

## Psychology

Abnormal or Behavioral Psychology. Coursework older than 7 years not accepted.

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: Developmental</li><li>Psychology: Growth &amp; Development</li><li>Psychology: Human Behavior</li></ul>

## Statistics

Applicants should strongly consider a research based Statistics course to fulfill this requirement. Coursework older than 7 years not accepted.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Not Required
Credits	SH: 3-4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Biology: Biostatistics</li> </ul>

## Technical Writing

Applicants can take an online course to fulfill this requirement. Course descriptions should be sent to [dptadmissions@howard.edu](mailto:dptadmissions@howard.edu) for approval. Course must be considered writing intensive and requires students to critically assess and respond to technical information. Coursework older than 7 years not accepted.

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

## Deadlines

PT program start date for entering class	05/10/2021
Multiple start dates?	No
PTCAS application deadline	Dec 15 2020
Deadline Type	Soft
Application close date	Jan 15 2021
Program has rolling admissions process?	No
Important dates	<p>Howard University will conduct interviews with candidates that have met initial application requirements. Interviews will take place in late February and early to mid March.</p> <p>All application materials should be submitted electronically - NO PAPER OR PACKAGE DELIVERIES - Visit the website for information on the graduate school application and supplemental application materials. Any questions, contact us at <a href="mailto:dptadmissions@howard.edu">dptadmissions@howard.edu</a>.</p>

## Program Contacts

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