

Missouri State University

Program Information

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| Program Name | Missouri State University |
| General Description / Special Programs | |
| Established | 2000 |
| Country | United States |
| State | MO |
| City | Springfield |
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Program Information

GENERAL PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The program requires approximately three years (36 months) of didactic classroom/laboratory work and clinical learning experiences. In keeping with the public affairs mission of the university, (recognized as a model program in the State of Missouri), our students also participate in service learning and integrated clinical activities. Faculty members are committed to educating students through the use of a mixture of traditional, case-based, and problem-solving strategies in an educational environment that is both friendly and challenging. The program is designed to produce excellent general practitioners who can function in a caring and professional manner, possess the skills and self-confidence to assume leadership and primary care positions within the profession, and become civic-minded practitioners in their communities. Research projects and clinical case reports are completed in the second and third year. Students enter the program after having completed a baccalaureate degree. The Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) degree is conferred in May of the third year, upon successful completion of the program.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCES:

Students participate in part-time supervised clinical experiences in the Missouri State Physical Therapy Clinic and at the Jordan Valley Community Health Center beginning in the first year. Additionally, each student completes a total of 38 weeks of full-time clinical internships ranging in length from 4-8 weeks each. Missouri State has over 400 affiliated clinical sites, which are located in Missouri and across the United States.

FACULTY:

The program has ten full-time (core) faculty members, nine adjunct/associated faculty members, and various guest lecturers/lab assistants. All core faculty are licensed physical therapists. Six of the core faculty members also hold academic doctoral degrees (PhD, DHS), and four hold clinical doctoral degrees (DPT). The mix of faculty include clinical specialists certified through the American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties (Neuro, Orthopedics, and Geriatrics), as well as other clinical specializations such as lymphedema, exercise, and dry-needling. Eight core faculty are engaged in significant clinical practice. The core faculty to student ratio is 1 to 12.

ENROLLMENT:

Missouri State University has a total enrollment of approximately 22,000 students. The physical therapy program accepts up to 40 new students each year.

OUTCOMES:

100% of our students who graduated in the last 3 years passed the national physical therapy licensure exam. All graduates have been employed before or shortly after graduation, with many receiving multiple offers.

TUITION, FEES AND FINANCIAL AID:

For the 2020-2021 academic year, tuition and fees is approximately \$5,462.88 per semester or \$14,568 per year for residents of Missouri and \$10,480 per semester or \$27,948 per year for non-residents. A majority of students receive financial aid in the form of student loans. Limited competitive scholarship funds are available from the Missouri State University Graduate College and the Department of Physical Therapy. For specific information regarding financial aid, contact the Missouri State University Office of Financial Aid ([800] 283-4243) or Graduate College ([866] 767-4723).

STUDENT LIFE:

Graduate students obtain off-campus housing, which is conveniently located and reasonably priced. The campus is located in Springfield, the third largest city in Missouri. Springfield and the surrounding area offer multiple cultural, entertainment, sporting, and outdoor activities including the Springfield Symphony, Springfield Cardinal Baseball, Branson Missouri, and multiple lake and river recreational attractions. Two major medical and several academic institutions serve the greater Springfield region.

Program Description

Program offers a guaranteed freshman admission pathway?

No

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

\$555

Additional Information about Deposit

Individuals offered and accepting a position in the DPT program are required to pay two fees: 1) a non-refundable \$55.00 Graduate College activation and processing fee 2) a non-refundable \$500.00 DPT Program deposit (which will be credited toward tuition upon matriculation to the Program)

Deposit Refundable?

No

Due Date of First Required Deposit

01/15/2021

Program Information

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| Total Cost of Education for In-State Students | \$43703 |
| Total Cost of Education for out of State Students | \$83844 |
| Anticipated Size of the Next Entering Class | 40 |
| Size of Most Recent Entering Class | 40 |
| % of IN-STATE applicants accepted | 60% |
| % of OUT-OF-STATE (non-resident) U.S. applicants accepted | 40% |
| % Male | 40% |
| % Female | 60% |
| % Hispanic | 3.3% |
| % American Indian/Alaskan Native | 2% |
| % Asian | 5% |
| % African-American/Black (Non-Hispanic) | 7.5% |
| % White (Not of Hispanic Origin) | 74% |
| % Two or More Races | 5.8% |
| % Declining to State | 2.5% |

Admission Requirements

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| Supplemental FEE required? | Yes - for selected applicants only |
| Supplemental fee amount | \$55 |
| Supplemental APPLICATION required? | No |
| Supplemental MATERIALS required? | No |
| Description of supplemental materials required | Applicants accepted into the Physical Therapy Program are required to submit a final transcript verifying their undergraduate degree and completion of all prerequisite course work. Students accepted into the program will pay: 1) a non-refundable \$55.00 Graduate College activation/processing fee, and 2) a non-refundable confirmation deposit of \$500.00 to the DPT Program by the deadline specified in the acceptance letter to reserve a place in the program. The deposit will be applied toward tuition for the first semester of enrollment following the end of the first week of that semester. Students who do not enroll will forfeit the deposit. |
| Is GRE Required? | Yes |
| Program's PTCAS GRE code | 7672 |
| Last acceptable GRE test date for this cycle | 08/15/2020 |
| Additional information about program's GRE requirements | Average composite GRE (verbal and quantitative) scaled score is 310. |
| AVERAGE GRE Verbal reasoning scaled score | 154 |

Admission Requirements

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| AVERAGE GRE Verbal reasoning % score | 64 |
| AVERAGE GRE Quantitative reasoning scaled score | 146 |
| AVERAGE GRE Quantitative reasoning % score | 26 |
| Physical Therapist-1 | Applicant must send one reference from this specific type of evaluator |
| Physical Therapist-2 | Evaluator type not accepted |
| Professor in Major | Evaluator type accepted |
| Professor | Evaluator type accepted |
| Academic | Applicant must send one reference from this specific type of evaluator |
| Supervisor/Employer | Evaluator type not 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 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 | We require two letters of recommendation: One from a licensed physical therapist, and one from an academic advisor or professor. |
| 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 |
| Total number of PT Hours RECOMMENDED | 50 |
| Paid | Accepted/Considered |
| Volunteer | Accepted/Considered |
| Inpatient | Accepted/Considered |
| Outpatient | Accepted/Considered |
| MINIMUM GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative | 3.00 |
| AVERAGE GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative | 3.70 |
| AVERAGE GPA Program-specific prerequisite | 3.50 |
| 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) |

Admission Requirements

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| 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

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| 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 | Yes |
| Link to program's prerequisite instructions | https://www.missouristate.edu/physicaltherapy/doctorate/prerequisites.htm |

Anatomy

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| Course Level | General or College |
| Lab Required | Required |
| Credits | SH: 4 |
| Acceptable Courses | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A&P: Comparative • A&P: Human • A&P: SEPARATE courses • A&P: Vertebrate |

Biology I

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

Biology II

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| Course Level | General or College |
| Lab Required | Recommended |
| Credits | SH: 3-4 |
| Acceptable Courses | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biology: Cell • Biology: Embryology • Biology: General II • Biology: Genetics • Biology: Histology • Biology: Immunology • Biology: Microbiology • Biology: Molecular • Biology: Zoology |

Chemistry I

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

Chemistry II

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| Course Level | General or College |
| Lab Required | Required |
| Credits | SH: 3-4 |
| Acceptable Courses | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chemistry II• Chemistry: Biochemistry• Chemistry: Inorganic• Chemistry: Organic |

English Composition / Writing

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| 1 of 2 english composition/writing courses required. | |
| Course Level | General or College |
| Lab Required | Not Applicable |
| Credits | SH: 3 |
| Acceptable Courses | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• English Composition II• English Department Course• Literature• Technical Writing• Writing |

English Composition / Writing

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| 2 of 2 english composition/writing courses required. | |
| Course Level | General or College |
| Lab Required | Not Applicable |
| Credits | SH: 3 |
| Acceptable Courses | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• English Composition• English Composition I |

Math

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

Physics I

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

Physics II

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

Physiology

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| Course Level | General or College |
| Lab Required | Recommended |
| Credits | SH: 4 |
| Acceptable Courses | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A&P: Comparative• A&P: Human• A&P: SEPARATE courses• A&P: Vertebrate |

Psychology

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| 1 of 2 psychology courses required. | |
| Course Level | General or College |
| Lab Required | Not Applicable |
| Credits | SH: 3 |
| Acceptable Courses | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Psychology: General• Psychology: General I |

Psychology

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| 2 of 2 psychology courses required. | |
| Course Level | General or College |
| Lab Required | Not Applicable |
| Credits | SH: 3 |
| Acceptable Courses | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Psychology: Abnormal• Psychology: Death & Dying• Psychology: Developmental• Psychology: Growth & Development• Psychology: Human Behavior• Psychology: Life Span Development• Psychology: Rehabilitation |

Statistics

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

Deadlines

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| PT program start date for entering class | 06/01/2021 |
| Multiple start dates? | No |
| PTCAS application deadline | Oct 01 2020 |
| Deadline Type | Firm |
| Program has rolling admissions process? | Yes |
| Important dates | Interview dates are held monthly from Sept to Dec. |

Program Contacts

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