



Program Information

Program Name	Oakland University
General Description / Special Programs	
Established	
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Program Information

Program Description	<p>The Doctor of Physical Therapy Program at Oakland University is a professional graduate program which prepares individuals for licensure and entry into the physical therapy profession. As a graduate program, it includes theoretical, clinical practice, and research courses and experiences to prepare graduates to function in a variety of settings in physical therapy.</p> <p>The DPT Program is an intensive educational experience spread over three and a half years with 8 weeks off in the summer of the first and second year. It is designed to prepare clinicians with the evaluation and examination skills necessary to make physical therapy differential diagnoses of movement related impairments affecting the neuromusculoskeletal system. In addition, this degree will prepare graduates to provide effective care in the areas of prevention, screening, rehabilitation and community reintegration for their clients. Finally, graduates will be able to interpret, and conduct research related to physical therapy.</p> <p>Oakland University has many different opportunities to enhance student learning throughout the program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * State of the art cadaver lab * Small class sizes and low student to instructor ratio in labs * Standardized, simulated and in-class patient/client experiences * Community involvement, wellness and health promotion * Multiple inter-professional education opportunities * Opportunities to participate in DPT student organizations * Opportunities for a variety of clinical experiences both in-state and out of state * Opportunities to be mentored by faculty who are specialists and leaders in the practice of cardiopulmonary, neuromuscular rehabilitation, oncology rehab, orthopedics, orthopedic manual physical therapy, palliative care, pediatrics, and wellness and health promotion <p>Students who graduate from our program are well rounded and competent to work in all areas of the physical therapy profession. Overall, our goal is to prepare students to function as a lifelong learner and an independent thinker with the ability to interact effectively with patients, their families and meaningful others, as well as with other members of the health care delivery team.</p>
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?	No
Is a Deposit Required for Accepted Applicants?	Yes
Total cumulative deposit	\$250
Deposit Refundable?	No
Due Date of First Required Deposit	01/15/2021
Anticipated Size of the Next Entering Class	38
Size of Most Recent Entering Class	38
% of IN-STATE applicants accepted	97%
% of OUT-OF-STATE (non-resident) U.S. applicants accepted	3%
Additional information about the class profile	Oakland University gives preference to applicants that are permanent residents of Michigan during the first round of admissions.

Admission Requirements

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

Admission Requirements

Supplemental MATERIALS required?	No
Description of supplemental materials required	OU Graduate Application: Please note that applicants for the DPT program DO NOT need to complete an Oakland University Graduate Application to be considered for admission. There is no supplemental application required.
Is GRE Required?	Yes
Program's PTCAS GRE code	0650
Additional information about program's GRE requirements	Applicants planning to apply by August 17th and hoping to receive an early assurance decision should take the GRE before July 31, 2020. Applicants applying after August 17th should take the GRE before September 25, 2020, so that the scores are received by the OU PT program prior to the October 15th decision deadline.
MINIMUM GRE Verbal reasoning scaled score	144
AVERAGE GRE Verbal reasoning scaled score	152
MINIMUM GRE Quantitative reasoning scaled score	147
AVERAGE GRE Quantitative reasoning scaled score	152
AVERAGE GRE Analytical writing scaled score	2.0
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 not accepted
Politician	Evaluator type not accepted
Health Care Professional	Evaluator type 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	Program requires 2 letters of recommendation. A letter from a physical therapist is PREFERRED.

Admission Requirements

Information about your PT requirements	Observation of physical therapists in several different settings (e.g. hospital, outpatient, school, skilled nursing facility, or working with clients with different diagnoses (e.g. orthopedic, neurological, cardiopulmonary, or integumentary) is strongly recommended and is considered by the Admissions Committee. Documentation of hours by a physical therapist is not required and there is no minimum number of required observation hours.
Program's PT hours requirement	PT hours are not required but are considered
Total number of PT Hours REQUIRED	0
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
MINIMUM GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.0
AVERAGE GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.50
MINIMUM GPA Science and Math GPA	2.7
AVERAGE GPA Science and Math GPA	3.4
Additional information about program's GPA requirements	An overall cumulative GPA of 3.00 or above as calculated by PTCAS is required for admission to the DPT program. Applicants must have received a grade of C or better in all required prerequisite courses with an overall average of a 3.0. Transcripts will be used to make the determination on the prerequisite course grades. Math/science GPA as calculated by PTCAS is also considered in the admission process. Students will be considered for admission if they list a plan in the PTCAS application to complete their baccalaureate degree and all required prerequisite courses prior to the start of the program. To be fully accepted into the DPT program students must complete a baccalaureate degree and all required prerequisite courses prior to the start of fall courses in the first year.
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
Additional information about program's policy on foreign coursework	Foreign-educated students must meet all university requirements for proficiency in English. International Application Requirements: Applicants who are not U.S. citizens and/or applicants with foreign academic credentials may also be required to submit the following application materials: 1. Official scores for the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) from applicants who are graduates of programs taught in a language other than English. 2. Word-for-word translations of all foreign language documents. Both the original transcript (in the native language) and the English translation are required for review. Additional requirements for international students may be required by Graduate Admissions. https://oakland.edu/grad/future-graduate-students/international/

Course Prerequisites

Bachelor's degree required prior to matriculation into PT program?	Yes
General Information	Prerequisites do not need to be completed before applying to the program. Plans for completing the prerequisites should be outlined in the PTCAS application. A minimum grade of a C or greater is required for fulfillment of all prerequisite courses along with an overall prerequisite GPA of a 3.0 average. Please see the PTCAS Directory page for additional information. Transcripts will be reviewed to verify the grades.
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.oakland.edu/index.php?catoid=21

Anatomy

One lab which may be a separate course or integrated into the lecture course is required in the biological science prerequisite requirements. It may be taken in any of the following prerequisite courses: Biology, Anatomy or Physiology. A combined anatomy and physiology course is accepted however must take two semesters or a minimum of 6 credits.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Not Required
Credits	SH: 3-4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A&P: Advanced • A&P: COMBINED Course (eg. A&P) • A&P: Human • A&P: Mammalian • A&P: Physiology • A&P: SEPARATE courses

Biology I

One lab in the Biological Sciences is required. It may be taken in any of the following prerequisite courses: Biology, Anatomy or Physiology. The lab may be a separate course or integrated into the lecture course. A combined anatomy and physiology course is accepted however one must take two semesters or a minimum of 6 credits.

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

Chemistry I

Two-course sequence in general chemistry or a sequence of inorganic chemistry and organic chemistry is required. A lab is required for one semester only which may be a separate course or integrated into the lecture course.

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

Chemistry II

Two-course sequence in general chemistry or a sequence of chemistry and organic chemistry is required. A lab is required for one semester only which may be a separate course or integrated into the lecture course.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Not Required
Credits	SH: 3-4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chemistry: Inorganic• Chemistry: Organic

Exercise Physiology

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Not Required
Credits	SH: 3-4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Exercise Physiology

Math

Math prerequisite can be fulfilled by taking one semester of Precalculus or one semester of College Algebra and one semester of Analytical Trigonometry.

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

Physics I

Two-course sequence in general physics is required. A lab is required for one semester only which may be a separate course or integrated into the lecture course.

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

Physics II

Two-course sequence in general physics is required. A lab is required for one semester only which may be a separate course or integrated into the lecture course.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Not Required
Credits	SH: 3-4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Physics II• Physics: General

Physiology

One lab which may be a separate course or integrated into the lecture course is required in the biological science prerequisite requirements. It may be taken in any of the following prerequisite courses: Biology, Anatomy or Physiology. A combined anatomy and physiology course is accepted however one must take two semesters or a minimum of 6 credits.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Not Required
Credits	SH: 3-4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A&P: COMBINED Course (eg. A&P)• A&P: SEPARATE courses

Psychology

1 of 2 psychology courses required.

Course Level	Introductory
Lab Required	Not Applicable
Credits	SH: 3-4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Psychology: General

Psychology

2 of 2 psychology courses required.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Not Applicable
Credits	SH: 3-4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Psychology: Adolescent• Psychology: Child• Psychology: Developmental• Psychology: Growth & Development• Psychology: Life Span Development

Statistics

Introductory statistics course or research design course is acceptable.

Course Level	Introductory
Lab Required	Not Applicable
Credits	SH: 3-4
Acceptable Courses	

Deadlines

PT program start date for entering class	09/02/2021
Multiple start dates?	No
PTCAS application deadline	Oct 15 2020
Deadline Type	Firm
Program has rolling admissions process?	Yes
Important dates	<p>Oakland will be using a rolling admissions process.</p> <p>All applications must be completed and e-submitted by October 15, 2020. Verified applications will be reviewed by the admissions committee as they are received.</p> <p>However, if an applicant submits a fully completed application by August 17, 2020 and meets the following criteria, they will receive an early assurance decision response by September 20, 2020.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Overall GPA: at least 3.5 * S/M GPA: at least 3.4 * Verbal GRE: 150 or greater * Quantitative GRE: 150 or greater <p>All other applicants who meet the eligibility requirements for the program will receive a decision response no later than December 10, 2020.</p> <p>The following materials must be e-submitted by the deadline date in order to be considered for admission:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Complete application submitted to PTCAS * Official Transcripts submitted to PTCAS * Two recommendation letters submitted to PTCAS * Official GRE scores to code 0650 and posted to PTCAS <p>DPT Informational Meetings: Please come to a presentation to discover more about the DPT program at Oakland University. You will learn details about the DPT program, curriculum, faculty, facilities and the admissions process which will help you to decide whether Oakland University is the right DPT program for you.</p> <p>The schedule of presentations may be found on the OU DPT web page https://oakland.edu/shs/human-movement/physical-therapy-doctorate/.</p> <p>OU Graduate Application: Please note that applicants for the DPT program do not need to complete an Oakland University Graduate Application to be considered for admission. There is no supplemental application required.</p> <p>**Additional fees might be required for online exam proctoring**</p> <p>***When answering the Essential Functions custom question, please reference the following link: https://www.oakland.edu/Assets/upload/docs/SHS/PT/Essential-Functions-Guidelines.pdf</p>

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