



Program Information

Program Name	Springfield College
General Description / Special Programs	
Established	
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State	MA
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This page is intended for college transfer students and graduates ONLY. High school students MUST contact the institution directly for information about the guaranteed freshman-entry program. Do not apply using PTCAS.

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<p>Program Description</p>	<p>Springfield College is a picturesque private New England coeducational college offering both undergraduate and graduate degree programs. The college is notable for its commitment to a philosophy called Humanics, a philosophy that espouses education of the whole person, in spirit, mind and body for leadership in service to humanity. Embracing Humanics means that Springfield College is committed to service and civic engagement. Evidence of this commitment include the receipt of the Community Engagement Classification for exemplary community involvement from the Carnegie Foundation. Annually, the college logs more than 150,000 hours of community service in neighboring communities and organizations. Students in the DPT program participate in global service and civic engagement within the local community and internationally.</p> <p>The Department of Physical Therapy is housed in the college's School of Health Sciences and Rehabilitation Studies where it partners on service and interprofessional activities with the departments of physician assisting, occupational therapy and rehabilitation and disability studies. The Department of Physical Therapy is located in the Health Science Building which includes a physical therapy lab, a state-of-the-art anatomy lab and both large classroom and seminar-style teaching spaces. Students also have access to the medical simulation lab and exercise science lab spaces during their studies.</p> <p>The Doctor of Physical Therapy program is a 3.5 year (7 semester) course of graduate study. The program enrolls a new cohort each year in May with a summer semester start-up for students. Coursework in the first year of the program is focused on foundational sciences; the second year focus is patient management across the clinical content areas; during the third year students complete 30 weeks of full-time clinical experiences, returning to campus for specialty coursework and activities that prepare the student for entering the profession and developing a career plan. In the first two years of study, student exposure to clinic is embedded into weekly integrated clinical experiences which incorporate an experiential and service component. For example, the Department of Physical Therapy runs two community exercise groups. These groups are run both as a community service and as a part of the clinical program for DPT students. Each group is structured to have faculty directors who supervise and direct each group and have intimate familiarity with the status and needs of each community member, as well as with the knowledge, skills, and expectations for student performance.</p> <p>The faculty of the Department of Physical Therapy is guided by the Humanics philosophy of the college. Members of the department are academics and clinicians who develop and promote excellence in education, service and scholarship in physical therapy. We believe that graduates of our program are prepared for a civic-minded life as health professionals in an environment that is rewarding, challenging and sometimes unpredictable. We are proud of our strengths which include a talented and stable core faculty, a devoted pool of adjunct and clinical faculty who are mentored by the core faculty, multi-talented and academically gifted students, and a comprehensive curriculum that incorporates innovative leadership, service, and academic opportunities.</p>
<p>Program offers a guaranteed freshman admission pathway?</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Will the professional (entry-level) PT program offer a satellite or branch campus to applicants during the upcoming admissions cycle?</p>	<p>No</p>
<p>Program conducts interviews as part of the admissions process?</p>	<p>No</p>
<p>Is a Deposit Required for Accepted Applicants?</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Total cumulative deposit</p>	<p>\$300</p>
<p>Additional Information about Deposit</p>	<p>The deposit is required, only after admission is offered to confirm your intention to enroll in the DPT program. The deposit is applied directly to tuition and fees.</p>
<p>Deposit Refundable?</p>	<p>No</p>
<p>Due Date of First Required Deposit</p>	<p>03/01/2021</p>
<p>Anticipated Size of the Next Entering Class</p>	<p>4</p>
<p>Size of Most Recent Entering Class</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>% of IN-STATE applicants accepted</p>	<p>50%</p>

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% of OUT-OF-STATE (non-resident) U.S. applicants accepted	50%
% Male	50%
% Female	50%
% Hispanic	7%
% Asian	7%
% African-American/Black (Non-Hispanic)	7%
% White (Not of Hispanic Origin)	79%

Admission Requirements

Supplemental FEE required?	No
Supplemental fee amount	\$0
Supplemental APPLICATION required?	No
Supplemental MATERIALS required?	No
Is GRE Required?	Yes
Program's PTCAS GRE code	0898
Last acceptable GRE test date for this cycle	12/01/2020
Oldest GRE test date considered for this cycle	01/01/2017
Additional information about program's GRE requirements	All scores must be submitted prior to the December 2 deadline.
MINIMUM GRE Verbal reasoning scaled score	150
AVERAGE GRE Verbal reasoning scaled score	155
MINIMUM GRE Quantitative reasoning scaled score	150
AVERAGE GRE Quantitative reasoning scaled score	155
MINIMUM GRE Analytical writing scaled score	3.5
AVERAGE GRE Analytical writing scaled score	3.5
Physical Therapist-1	Evaluator type accepted
Physical Therapist-2	Evaluator type 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 accepted
Teaching Assistant	Evaluator type not accepted
PTA	Evaluator type not accepted
Pre-PT Advisor	Evaluator type accepted

Admission Requirements

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 accepted
Other	Evaluator type not accepted
Number of references required by program	3
Information about your PT requirements	Hours can't be related to applicant's personal experience as a recipient of physical therapy services.
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	10
Total number of PT Hours RECOMMENDED	25
DEADLINE for completion of all PT hours	12/01/2020
Paid	Accepted/Considered
Volunteer	Accepted/Considered
Inpatient	Accepted/Considered
Outpatient	Accepted/Considered
MINIMUM GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative	3.00
AVERAGE GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative	3.50
MINIMUM GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.30
AVERAGE GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.50
MINIMUM GPA Exercise Physiology with laboratory component	3.00
AVERAGE GPA Exercise Physiology with laboratory component	3.50
Additional information about program's GPA requirements	The program will consider the highest grade earned if a course was repeated. Math/Science GPA as calculated by PTCAS should be above a 3.3 for consideration.
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)
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	All scores must be submitted prior to the December 1 deadline. A minimum of 79 on the TOEFL is required for admission review. Foreign (non-U.S.) applicants will be required to work with the college's International Center. The Springfield College International Center provides advising on the admissions process, immigration, taxes and academics for international students.

Course Prerequisites

Bachelor's degree required prior to matriculation into PT program?	Yes
General Information	All prerequisite courses must be completed with a C or better. AP exam credit is not accepted for required science courses.
Anatomy and/or Physiology (A&P) course prerequisites MUST be completed in biology, neuroscience, anatomy, or integrated physiology department	Yes

Anatomy & Physiology I

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"> • A&P: Advanced • A&P: Any • A&P: COMBINED Course (eg. A&P) • A&P: Comparative • A&P: Human • A&P: Mammalian • A&P: Physiology • A&P: SEPARATE courses • A&P: Vertebrate

Anatomy & Physiology 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"> • 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

Botany not considered. 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"> • Biology: Advanced • Biology: Cell • Biology: Embryology • Biology: General • Biology: General I • Biology: Histology • Biology: Microbiology • Biology: Molecular

Biology II

Botany not considered. Coursework older than 7 years not accepted.

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Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology: Advanced• Biology: Cell• Biology: General• Biology: General II• Biology: Histology• Biology: Microbiology• Biology: Molecular

Chemistry I

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">• Chemistry I• Chemistry: Biochemistry• Chemistry: Inorganic• Chemistry: Organic

Chemistry 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">• Chemistry II• Chemistry: Biochemistry• Chemistry: Inorganic• Chemistry: Organic

Exercise Physiology

Coursework older than 7 years will not be accepted

An exercise physiology course is required. The course must incorporate a lab component and include a systematic approach to the study of the impact of exercise on human physiology. Both acute and chronic exercise responses should be studied. Systems covered must include, but are not limited to skeletal muscle, exercise biochemistry, cardiovascular, respiratory, renal and endocrine. (Lab components embedding in a course is acceptable.) 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">• Exercise Physiology

Math

(Pre-calculus or calculus required).

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

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

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

Psychology

Introduction to Psychology (Abnormal Psychology accepted). Coursework older than 7 years not accepted.	
Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Not Required
Credits	SH: 3
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Psychology: Abnormal• Psychology: General• Psychology: General I• Psychology: Human Behavior• Psychology: Rehabilitation

Statistics

Coursework older than 7 years not accepted.	
Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Not Required
Credits	SH: 3
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology: Biostatistics• Mathematics: Statistics• Psychology: Statistics

Deadlines

PT program start date for entering class	06/01/2021
Multiple start dates?	No
PTCAS application deadline	Dec 01 2020
Deadline Type	Firm
Program has rolling admissions process?	No
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