



Program Information

Program Name	University of Central Florida
General Description / Special Programs	
Established	
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Program Information

Program Description	<p>The mission of the University of Central Florida's Program in Physical Therapy is to cultivate excellence in physical therapist practice through comprehensive and focused doctoral education. The program fosters excellence through its dedication to foundational sciences, clinical skill proficiency, research and evidence-based practice, service and professional duty, and lifelong learning. The program is committed to the development and strengthening of the healthcare community in order to optimize patient care in the dynamic healthcare environment.</p> <p>The UCF DPT Program promotes lifelong learning and professional development, which is attained through active involvement in professional organizations such as the American Physical Therapy Association. The program is a full-time professional doctoral program requiring completion of 114 credits beyond the bachelor's degree. The course work is taken in a prescribed sequence over nine semesters which includes a total of 36 weeks of full-time clinical training in which students work under the direct supervision of a licensed physical therapist at affiliated clinical education facilities. The program faculty consists of both researchers and clinical specialists who actively engage in student learning, clinical excellence, and professional development. The program boasts a small to medium sized cohort to promote continuous faculty interaction with students as they progress through the program. UCF's DPT Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Physical Therapy Education.</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?	Yes
Additional information about interviews	Interviews are by invitation only. Check program website for specific interview dates.
Is a Deposit Required for Accepted Applicants?	No
Anticipated Size of the Next Entering Class	38
Size of Most Recent Entering Class	38
% of IN-STATE applicants accepted	100%

Admission Requirements

Supplemental FEE required?	Yes
Supplemental fee amount	\$31
Supplemental APPLICATION required?	Yes
Supplemental MATERIALS required?	Yes
Description of supplemental materials required	The University of Central Florida graduate (supplemental) application MUST be completed by December 1, 2020 with supplemental application fee paid. Applicants who do not submit a supplemental application to UCF will be considered incomplete and not reviewed for admission. Supplemental Materials, i.e. GRE scores, transcripts, reference letters, etc. DO NOT need to be sent to the university. A cover letter and resume is required ONLY for applicants who are invited for an on campus interview with faculty. Once requested, the applicant will email requested supplemental materials directly to the program.
Supplemental forms and materials required by program - item 1	Financial Aid Form

Admission Requirements

Supplemental forms and materials required by program - item 2	Immunization Form
Supplemental forms and materials required by program - item 3	Proof of residency documents
Link to supplemental forms or instructions	https://application.graduate.ucf.edu/
Is GRE Required?	Yes
Program's PTCAS GRE code	3871
Last acceptable GRE test date for this cycle	11/01/2020
Oldest GRE test date considered for this cycle	11/01/2014
Additional information about program's GRE requirements	Applicants MUST send official GRE scores to the UCF DPT code 3871 to be reviewed as part of their application. Scores sent to the UCF institutional code will NOT be accepted. Official GRE scores must be received by PTCAS no later than the program deadline of 11/1/2020 to be accepted. If the applicant has taken the GRE more than once, the highest test score for each individual component of the exam will be accepted.
AVERAGE GRE Verbal reasoning scaled score	155
AVERAGE GRE Quantitative reasoning scaled score	154
AVERAGE GRE Analytical writing scaled score	4.0
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 accepted
Family Member	Evaluator type accepted
Co-worker	Evaluator type accepted
Clergy	Evaluator type accepted
Other	Evaluator type accepted
Number of references required by program	3
Additional information about program's reference requirements	* The requirement that one reference letter be from a licensed physical therapist is now a recommendation only. * Three (3) letters in total are still required.
Information about your PT requirements	* Completion and verification of the minimum 50 hours of observation with a licensed physical therapist will now be recommended but not required for the 2020-2021 application cycle. * A variety of settings is highly recommended.
Program's PT hours requirement	PT hours are not required but are highly recommended
Total number of PT Hours RECOMMENDED	50

Admission Requirements

DEADLINE for completion of all PT hours	11/01/2020
Paid	Accepted/Considered
Volunteer	Accepted/Considered
Inpatient	Accepted/Considered
Outpatient	Accepted/Considered
MINIMUM GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.00
AVERAGE GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.76
MINIMUM GPA GPA last 60 credit hours of undergraduate degree (at time of application)	3.00
AVERAGE GPA GPA last 60 credit hours of undergraduate degree (at time of application)	3.76
Additional information about program's GPA requirements	If a prerequisite course is repeated, the program will use the highest grade earned in its local prerequisite GPA calculations.
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)
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
Additional information about program's policy on foreign coursework	All foreign transcripts must be evaluated by WES.

Course Prerequisites

Bachelor's degree required prior to matriculation into PT program?	Yes
General Information	The program recommends all prerequisite courses be completed at time of application. Candidates with all prerequisites completed at time of application may be given preference over those still completing courses. Online courses are not accepted for labs. Coursework older than 10 years not accepted. No more than two (2) prerequisite courses may be in progress the fall semester and one (1) course the spring semester prior to the year of matriculation. No more than a total of 3 prerequisite courses may be in progress at time of application. Any updates to fall grades must be received by January 15, 2020 to be considered as part of the program's admissions decision making process.
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://healthprofessions.ucf.edu/kpt/wp-content/uploads/sites/20/2018/03/2018-2019-ucf-dpt-prereqs.pdf

Anatomy & Physiology I

Anatomy & Physiology: Requirement 8 hours total, including labs Option 1: 4 credits Physiology w/lab & 1 semester Anatomy w/lab. Option 2: 2 semesters (8 credits total) Anatomy/Physiology combined courses with labs. Exercise Physiology 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: 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

Anatomy & Physiology: Requirement 8 hours total, including labs Option 1: 4 credits Physiology w/lab & 4 credits Anatomy w/lab. Option 2: 2 semesters (8 credits total) Anatomy/Physiology combined courses with labs. Exercise Physiology 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: COMBINED Course (eg. A&P)• A&P: Comparative• A&P: Human• A&P: Mammalian• A&P: Physiology• A&P: SEPARATE courses• A&P: Vertebrate

Biology / Biological Science

Biology / Biological Science: Requirement two courses, 6 credits total. Must be courses for science majors.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Not Required
Credits	SH: 3
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology: Advanced• Biology: Cell• Biology: Embryology• Biology: General• Biology: General I• Biology: General II• Biology: Genetics• Biology: Histology• Biology: Microbiology• Biology: Molecular• Biology: Zoology

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Chemistry I

Chemistry: Requirement two courses, 8 credits total. Introduction and survey courses are NOT accepted.

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

Chemistry II

Chemistry: Requirement two courses, 8 credits total. Introduction and survey courses are NOT accepted.

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

Physics I

Physics: Requirement two courses, 8 credits total. General Physics & Physics with Calculus are acceptable courses.

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

Physics II

Physics: Requirement two courses, 8 credits total. General Physics & Physics with Calculus are acceptable courses.

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

Psychology

Psychology: Requirement 1 course, 3 credits. Course MUST be taken in a psychology department.

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

Statistics

Statistics: Requirement 1 course, 3 credits.

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

Deadlines

PT program start date for entering class	05/10/2021
Multiple start dates?	No
PTCAS application deadline	Nov 02 2020
Deadline Type	Firm
Program has rolling admissions process?	No
Important dates	Interview and Open House dates can be found on the Program's Website: https://healthprofessions.ucf.edu/kpt/physicaltherapy/

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