



Program Information

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General Description / Special Programs	
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Program Information

Program Description	<p>The Physical Therapy Department at the University of Delaware (UD) is involved in several exciting educational programs, including our outstanding DPT program, a highly successful interdisciplinary PhD in Biomechanics and Movement Sciences, credentialed clinical residency programs for practicing clinicians in sports, orthopedic, geriatric, neurologic, and acute care physical therapy, and a fellowship in manual therapy.</p> <p>Located on the new STAR campus, student instruction takes place in modern state-of-the-art facilities. Two on-site, full-service physical therapy clinics managed by the Department also provide outstanding integrated clinical education experiences for all DPT students. Clinical and translational research laboratories within the same physical facility provide students with an authentic perspective of how the discovery of new knowledge informs academic teaching and clinical practice.</p> <p>The DPT program begins in late June and continues for 2.5 calendar years (including summer and winter sessions). UD has a total student enrollment of over 23,000, which includes approximately 4,300 graduate students. The DPT program currently enrolls approximately 60 students per cohort.</p> <p>All students in the DPT program live off campus. The UD campus is located in Newark, which is approximately 40 miles south of Philadelphia and 60 miles north of Baltimore. There are many cultural and entertainment activities conducted at or near the University.</p> <p>Three terminal full-time clinical education experiences occur at the conclusion of the didactic curriculum. Each clinical internship is 10 weeks in length. Students are required to complete internships in the following areas: inpatient, outpatient, and elective (practice setting or population of choice). The identification and development of quality clinical partners has been a strategic priority and has resulted in the maintenance of clinical contracts with over 355 facilities throughout the United States. Students are also required to complete three semester-long, part-time, integrated clinical education experiences (ICEs) during the first two years in the program. All students will complete ICEs in the following areas: sports and orthopedics, neurologic and older adult, and pediatrics.</p> <p>The Department is also proud to report superior metrics on pass rates for the licensure examination and obtainment of post-graduation employment.</p> <p>UDPT boasts a large teaching faculty representing content expertise in all clinical practice domains. Students receive instruction from 31 faculty holding primary or secondary appointments and over 75 associated faculty members. Of the 18 core faculty who hold primary appointments, 16 hold a PhD or other academic doctoral degree and are either tenured or on the tenure-track. The remaining faculty possess clinical doctorates and maintain areas of practice expertise. Our collective faculty also embodies many therapists who maintain board certification as a clinical specialist in one or more practice areas. Over the past three years, the faculty has averaged over 80 research publications per year in peer-reviewed journals. During academic year 2020-21, the total grant funding available to the University of Delaware Physical Therapy is approximately \$41.2 million. Most of this funding is from the National Institute of Health.</p>
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Program Information	
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	\$500
Additional Information about Deposit	An initial \$500 deposit is required for accepted applicants with the potential of an additional deposit to be requested at a later date.
Deposit Refundable?	No
Due Date of First Required Deposit	01/15/2022
Anticipated Size of the Next Entering Class	60
Size of Most Recent Entering Class	59
% of IN-STATE applicants accepted	10%
% of OUT-OF-STATE (non-resident) U.S. applicants accepted	90%
% of INTERNATIONAL (non-U.S/non-Canadian) applicants accepted	0%
% Male	37%
% Female	63%
% Hispanic	5%
% American Indian/Alaskan Native	0%
% Asian	3%
% African-American/Black (Non-Hispanic)	3%

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% Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0%
% White (Not of Hispanic Origin)	83%
% Two or More Races	4%
% Declining to State	2%

Admission Requirements	
Supplemental FEE required?	Yes
Supplemental fee amount	\$35
Supplemental APPLICATION required?	Yes
Supplemental MATERIALS required?	No
Description of supplemental materials required	PTCAS application data will be transferred to the University of Delaware's (UD) graduate application system. Once PTCAS application data is imported into the graduate application system, applicants will receive an email from the UD Graduate College with instructions to create an account, answer additional questions and pay a supplemental \$35 application fee. Please DO NOT create a supplemental account or application prior to receiving an email with instructions from the Graduate College. Please complete the supplemental application within one week of receiving the notice from the UD Graduate College. Candidates without a supplemental application on file will be considered incomplete and may not be reviewed for an admissions interview. PLEASE NOTE: Applicants must request official GRE scores to be sent directly to the University of Delaware (University Code 5811) by the application deadline.
Supplemental forms and materials required by program - item 1	University of Delaware Graduate Application
Deadline for Submission of Supplemental Materials	12/31/2021
Link to supplemental forms or instructions	https://www.udel.edu/academics/colleges/chs/departments/pt/dpt/application-procedures/
Is GRE Required?	Yes
University GRE code	5811
Oldest GRE test date considered for this cycle	12/15/2016
Additional information about program's GRE requirements	It is preferred that candidates have official GRE scores by the application deadline: * 8/16/2021 (Round 1 Deadline) * 9/13/2021 (Round 2 Deadline) * 10/11/2021 (Round 3 Deadline) * 12/13/2021 (Round 4 Deadline). * Applicants must request official GRE scores to be sent directly to the University of Delaware (School Code 5811). * Program will utilize percentile rankings when analyzing verbal and quantitative sections. The highest percentile ranking for each section will be utilized, even if obtained on different testing dates. Test from home scores are accepted.
MINIMUM GRE Verbal reasoning % score	45
AVERAGE GRE Verbal reasoning % score	68
MINIMUM GRE Quantitative reasoning % score	48
AVERAGE GRE Quantitative reasoning % score	63
Physical Therapist-1	Applicant must send one reference from this specific type of evaluator
Physical Therapist-2	Applicant must send one reference from this specific type of evaluator
Professor in Major	Evaluator type accepted
Professor	Applicant must send one reference from this specific type of evaluator
Academic	Evaluator type not accepted
Supervisor/Employer	Evaluator type not accepted
Teaching Assistant	Evaluator type not accepted

Admission Requirements	
PTA	Evaluator type not accepted
Pre-PT Advisor	Evaluator type not 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	3
Additional information about program's reference requirements	* Three letters of recommendation are required. It is preferred that two recommendations be from licensed physical therapists whom you have observed providing direct patient care or direct research interventions and one be from an upper-level professor of a course that you took. * Given the Coronavirus pandemic, we understand there may be difficulties obtaining the preferred references and, therefore, we will honor other types of recommendations for the 2021-2022 application cycle (e.g. - advisors, mentors, employers, coaches, other medical providers, etc.). Applicants are highly encouraged to obtain at least one recommendation from a physical therapist, if possible. * Recommendations from family members or close family friends will not be accepted.
Information about your PT requirements	* PT clinical experience hours must occur under the supervision of a licensed physical therapist (clinical and/or research) with whom you directly engaged. The licensed physical therapist must verify hours via an electronic verification form on the PTCAS application. A minimum of 50 volunteer (observation) hours are required by the time of enrollment. It is preferred that applicants have at least 25 hours completed at the time of application. * Given the Coronavirus pandemic, UDPT will waive volunteer (observation) hours for the 2021-2022 application cycle should applicants be unable to obtain the above minimums. In such cases, applicants are highly encouraged to thoroughly investigate the physical therapy profession so as to affirm their commitment to this career option.
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
DEADLINE for completion of all PT hours	06/21/2021
Paid	Accepted/Considered
Volunteer	Accepted/Considered
Inpatient	Accepted/Considered
Outpatient	Accepted/Considered
AVERAGE GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative	3.78
AVERAGE GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.68
Additional information about program's GPA requirements	Program uses the highest earned grade in a course when calculating science GPA (program-specific prerequisite GPA). The "program-specific prerequisite GPA" includes two semesters of introductory biology with labs, two semesters of introductory chemistry with labs, two semesters of introductory physics with labs, one semester of human or mammalian physiology with lab, and one semester of human or mammalian anatomy with lab. The physiology requirement and anatomy requirement can be fulfilled with a two-course sequence of anatomy and physiology (A&P) with labs. UDPT will utilize the highest grade earned in the prerequisite science GPA, if course was repeated for credit.
Program considers Canadian coursework?	Yes
CanadianTranscriptsDictionary	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

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Additional information about program's policy on foreign coursework	Please send foreign transcript evaluation directly to PTCAS. The foreign transcript evaluation must be received by PTCAS by the application deadline --- 8/16/2021 (Round 1 deadline), 9/13/2021 (Round 2 deadline), 10/11/2021 (Round 3 deadline), 12/13/2021 (Round 4 deadline). Foreign transcripts evaluations received by PTCAS after the application deadline will be considered incomplete. World Education Services (WES) is the required credentialing agency for foreign transcript evaluations. Preferred minimum TOEFL scores: Total: 100 IBT Reading: 26 Writing: 24 Listening: 22 Speaking: 26
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Course Prerequisites

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	No
Link to program's prerequisite instructions	https://www.udel.edu/academics/colleges/chs/departments/pt/dpt/entrance-requirements/

Anatomy

Human or mammalian anatomy with lab is preferred. Both the anatomy and physiology requirements can be fulfilled with a two-course sequence of Anatomy & Physiology with labs.	
Course Level	Introductory
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A&P: Advanced • A&P: Animal • A&P: COMBINED Course (eg. A&P) • A&P: Human • A&P: Mammalian

Biology I

General introductory level biology with lab often sequential. An anatomy and/or physiology course will not be accepted to fulfill this requirement.	
Course Level	Introductory
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: General II • Biology: Genetics • Biology: Histology • Biology: Immunology • Biology: Microbiology • Biology: Molecular • Biology: Zoology

Biology II

General introductory level biology with lab often sequential. An anatomy and/or physiology course will not be accepted to fulfill this requirement.

Course Level	Introductory
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Lab Required	Required
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Credits	SH: 4
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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: Immunology• Biology: Microbiology• Biology: Molecular• Biology: Zoology
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Chemistry I

General introductory level chemistry with lab often sequential.

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

General introductory level chemistry with lab often sequential.

Course Level	Introductory
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Lab Required	Required
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Credits	SH: 4
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Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chemistry II• Chemistry: Biochemistry• Chemistry: Inorganic• Chemistry: Organic
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Physics I

Introductory physics with lab often sequential.

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

Introductory physics with lab often sequential.

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

Physiology

Human or mammalian physiology with lab is preferred. Both the anatomy and physiology requirements can be fulfilled with a two-course sequence of Anatomy & Physiology with labs. Exercise physiology not accepted.

Course Level	Introductory
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A&P: COMBINED Course (eg. A&P) • A&P: Human • A&P: Mammalian • A&P: Physiology

Psychology

Generally a 100-level foundation course in psychology.

Course Level	Introductory
Lab Required	Not Required
Credits	SH: 3
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Psychology: General • Psychology: Growth & Development • Psychology: Human Behavior • Psychology: Life Span Development

Statistics

Introductory or general statistics course where topics include probability, estimation, classical statistical inference, modern decision theory, descriptive statistics, central tendency, variability, distribution, parametric and nonparametric hypothesis tests, chi-square, contingency table, paired sample, unpaired sample, multiple sample, correlation, regression, etc.

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	
PT program start date for entering class	06/20/2022
Multiple start dates?	No
PTCAS application deadline	December 15, 2021
Deadline Type	Firm
Program has rolling admissions process?	Yes
Important dates	<p>* ROUND ONE: Application Deadline: August 16, 2021</p> <p>Committee review by early-September for PTCAS validated applications.</p> <p>If invited, interview in September.</p> <p>* NOTE: These are longer interview days wherein the bulk of admission offers will follow. After interview Rounds One and Two, available seats may be limited.</p> <p>UDPT is highly invested in creating a talented and diverse cohort of students. Diversity scholarships will be awarded throughout the admissions cycle, though higher scholarship packages may be awarded with offers extended in Rounds One and Two. Typically, these packages are a minimum of \$50,000.</p> <p>*ROUND TWO: Application Deadline: September 13, 2021</p> <p>Committee review by early-October for PTCAS validated applications.</p> <p>If invited, interview in October.</p> <p>* NOTE: These are longer interview days wherein the bulk of admission offers will follow. After interview Rounds One and Two, available seats may be limited.</p> <p>ROUND 3: Application Deadline: October 11, 2021 (Pending seat availability)</p> <p>Committee review by early-November for PTCAS validated applications</p> <p>If invited, interview in November.</p> <p>ROUND 4 Application Deadline: December 13, 2021 (Pending seat availability)</p> <p>Committee review by mid-January for PTCAS validated applications. (Tentative)</p> <p>If invited, interview in late-January/early-February. (Tentative)</p> <p>We cannot review any PTCAS application that is not fully complete or any application that PTCAS has not verified. NOTE: PTCAS application data will be transferred to the University of Delaware's (UD) graduate application system. Once PTCAS application data is imported into the graduate application system, applicants will receive an email from the UD Graduate College with instructions to create an account, answer additional questions and pay the supplemental application fee of \$35. Please DO NOT create a supplemental account or application prior to receiving instructions from the Graduate College. All information including transcripts, observation hours, letters of recommendation, etc. must be received by PTCAS no later than the desired PTCAS deadline.</p> <p>NOTE: Decisions about applicants will be made on a rolling basis with final decisions on all applicants anticipated by early-March. Applicants are encouraged to apply early to ensure space availability in the incoming class. Offers will be extended to qualified applicants beginning with the first deadline and continuing until fully enrolled. Anticipated interview dates may be cancelled should incoming class be at full capacity.</p> <p>Classes anticipated to begin on June 20, 2022.</p>

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