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Program Name	University of New England
General Description / Special Programs	
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The University of New England (UNE) Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program offers students an outstanding, entry-level doctoral program that has earned a national reputation for excellence. Since its founding in 1980, the program has been accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE). Our UNE DPT program is located on the Portland campus, which houses multiple graduate health profession programs, including dental medicine, pharmacy, physician assistant, occupational therapy, nursing, social work, and public health. Our faculty and staff take pride in its friendly, student-oriented, and personal approach.

**WHY UNE?**

**Global Opportunities:**

Students in the Doctor of Physical Therapy degree program have unique short-term opportunities to travel to learn about physical therapy across the globe, including on UNE's Morocco campus, and in Ghana, Ireland, Iceland, Italy, and Guatemala. These international opportunities help students expand their knowledge and make lasting global connections.

**Clinical Opportunities:**

The DPT program is affiliated with clinical sites across the US and in all parts of the healthcare continuum: acute care and rehabilitation hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, home health organizations, ambulatory care centers, outpatient private practices, school/preschool programs, and other settings. We have multiple established contracts at unique locations, including specialty sites in neurology, sports, pelvic health, and pediatrics. We also have global clinical education experiences in Italy through EduGlobal and Belize at Hillside Health services. A high number of students receive clinical locations within their top three choices.

**Outcomes from the 2021-2022 cohorts:**

- \* 100% of graduates ultimately passed the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE)
- \* 85% of graduates passed the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) on their first attempt
- \* 95% of enrolled students graduated from the DPT program, meaning that few are lost to attrition

**Our Faculty is Engaged:**

The DPT faculty members are dedicated to excellence in all aspects of teaching and learning. This is evidenced by the low student-to-faculty ratio, the use of collaborative teaching models which include the expertise of community clinicians, the participation of community volunteers in labs, and community outreach projects. Additionally, experienced physical therapists, physicians, and other health care practitioners serve as adjunct instructors in the program. DPT faculty members have an established record of teaching, scholarship, clinical practice, and professional involvement at state, national, and international levels.

**Our Curriculum is Dynamic:**

The 3-year-long, 106-credit curriculum is comprised of 82 didactic credits and 24 credits earned during three, 12-week, full-time clinical placements. The program is dedicated to providing students with unique learning experiences such as advanced elective courses, interprofessional team learning, rural health immersion experiences, community service opportunities, leadership opportunities, and short-term international opportunities.

**Our Campus is Focused on Interprofessional Education:**

The Center for Excellence in Collaborative Education (CECE) solidifies UNE's historic commitment to interprofessional academic and community-based programming that prepares the next generation of healthcare leaders for team-based practice.

**Our Students Can Be Scholars:**

All students participate in some form of scholarly work. This includes conducting research with faculty, writing a case report, or implementing an evidence-based leadership or teaching-learning project. Students have the opportunity to work with faculty to disseminate their work at professional meetings or in professional journals.

**Our Facilities are Top Notch:**

Classrooms and labs are designed to facilitate learning activities. UNE's high-tech simulation lab provides our students with experiential learning opportunities with standardized patients. We have a state-of-the-art Motion Analysis Lab and Human Sensory and Motor Performance Lab where faculty conduct human research. The Portland campus offers a full range of easy-to-access, outstanding student support services specific to graduate and professional students.

**Our Program Is Located in One Of The Best Small Cities In The Country:**

UNE's Portland campus is designated a national historic district. The campus is quintessential New England, with a central green surrounded by classic brick buildings. As the state's largest city, Portland is a center for business, government, healthcare, and culture in Maine. Whether you're a sailor or a skier, a hiker or a biker, a golfer or a fisherman, Maine offers you four-season recreation. From its location on the Atlantic Ocean, with close proximity to beautiful freshwater lakes and great mountains, Portland has it all. Come check us out!

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
Additional information about interviews	UNE's DPT program does not require in-person interviews as part of our process. Interviews will be conducted as an asynchronous online assessment through Kira Talent. Qualified applicants will be invited to complete the Kira assessment after initial application review.

## Program Information

Is a Deposit Required for Accepted Applicants?	Yes
Total cumulative deposit	\$1000
Additional Information about Deposit	An initial non-refundable deposit of \$500.00 is required to hold your seat with the program. The due date for this deposit will depend on an applicant's acceptance date and will be outlined in the acceptance letter. A second non-refundable deposit of \$500.00 is due by March 1st. These deposits are applied toward the first semester tuition if the student matriculates and will be forfeited if the student does not matriculate.
Deposit Refundable?	No
Anticipated Size of the Next Entering Class	62
Size of Most Recent Entering Class	62
% of IN-STATE applicants accepted	25%
% of OUT-OF-STATE (non-resident) U.S. applicants accepted	75%
% of CANADIAN applicants accepted	0%
% of INTERNATIONAL (non-U.S/non-Canadian) applicants accepted	0%
% Male	34%
% Female	64%
% Declining to State	2%
% Hispanic	7%
% American Indian/Alaskan Native	0%
% Asian	14%
% African-American/Black (Non-Hispanic)	7%
% Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0%
% White (Not of Hispanic Origin)	68%
% Two or More Races	5%
% Declining to State	0%

## Admission Requirements

Supplemental FEE required?	No
Supplemental fee amount	\$0
Supplemental APPLICATION required?	No
Supplemental MATERIALS required?	No
Is GRE Required?	No
Physical Therapist-1	Applicant must send one reference from this specific type of evaluator
Physical Therapist-2	Evaluator type accepted
Professor in Major	Evaluator type accepted
Professor	Evaluator type accepted

## Admission Requirements

Academic	Applicant must send one reference from this specific type of evaluator
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 not accepted
Family Member	Evaluator type not 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	* Please be sure to review these requirements carefully. Your application will not be considered complete if these requirements are not met. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure they have submitted the required reference letters. * We require 3 reference letters as a part of the application. - One from an academic reference (a professor, research advisor, or academic advisor) - One from a licensed physical therapist that you have shadowed - One from a reference who can speak to your ability to be successful academically and to practice professionally. Applicants should select this reference type from the acceptable list above. * Letters from friends, family friends, or family members are NOT acceptable.
Information about your PT requirements	We require 40 hours of observation hours with a licensed PT or PTA. Although not required, we recommend that you shadow in a variety of practice settings and patient populations. Please list all completed and planned observation hours on your application for our review.
Program's PT hours requirement	PT hours are required - a licensed Physical Therapist (PT) or licensed Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA) must verify hours w/ signed form uploaded or online via PTCAS
Total number of PT Hours REQUIRED	40
Paid	Accepted/Considered
Volunteer	Accepted/Considered
Inpatient	Accepted/Considered
Outpatient	Accepted/Considered
MINIMUM GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative	3.00
AVERAGE GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative	3.40
MINIMUM GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.00
AVERAGE GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.40
Additional information about program's GPA requirements	* We will be accepting P/F grades for Spring 2020 classes and will continue to accept online courses for the upcoming application cycle. * Our program uses the cumulative GPA calculated by PTCAS which is based on all the courses a student has taken and/or repeated. * If a course is repeated, we use only the highest grade earned in calculating the math/science prerequisite GPA. All prerequisite courses must be successfully completed with a grade of "C" or better; "C minus" grades are not acceptable. The Introduction to Psychology requirement grade is not included in the math/science prerequisite GPA. * We also carefully review the last 60 credit GPA as calculated by PTCAS.
Program considers Canadian coursework?	Yes
Canadian Transcripts Dictionary	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

## Admission Requirements

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, Other non-citizens (e.g., refugees)
Additional information about program's policy on foreign coursework	<p>Proof of English language proficiency is required. Please visit our International Admissions page for additional details: <a href="http://www.une.edu/admissions/intl">http://www.une.edu/admissions/intl</a></p> <p>English translation is required for all international transcripts. UNE accepts WES I-CAP evaluations of foreign transcripts for grade and degree equivalency to that of US regionally accredited institutions ONLY.</p>

## Course Prerequisites

Bachelor's degree required prior to matriculation into PT program?	Yes
General Information	<p>* We will be accepting P/F grades for Spring 2020 classes impacted by the pandemic and will continue to accept online courses for this cycle. * All science and statistics prerequisites must have been completed within ten (10) years prior to the PTCAS application deadline. *All prerequisite classes must be completed at regionally accredited institutions in order to fulfill the prerequisite requirements. * All prerequisite courses must be successfully completed with a grade of "C" or better ("C minus" grades are not acceptable). * Prerequisite courses may be in progress or planned at the time of application, but must be completed prior to enrollment. * Planned or in-progress coursework MUST be listed on the PTCAS application at the time of submission, not doing so will result in the applicant not meeting minimum requirements. * Upper-level coursework (with labs) may be acceptable to fulfill general science requirements with program approval. * If you are completing prerequisite courses during the fall semester, grades must be submitted through the PTCAS Academic Update period as soon as they are available.</p>
Anatomy and/or Physiology (A&P) course prerequisites MUST be completed in biology, neuroscience, anatomy, or integrated physiology department	Varies
Link to program's prerequisite instructions	<a href="http://www.une.edu/wchp/pt/doctor-pt/admissions">http://www.une.edu/wchp/pt/doctor-pt/admissions</a>

## Anatomy & Physiology I

Coursework older than <b>10</b> years will not be accepted	
Survey courses are NOT accepted.	
Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4 QS: 6
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A&amp;P: Advanced</li> <li>• A&amp;P: Animal</li> <li>• A&amp;P: COMBINED Course (eg. A&amp;P)</li> <li>• A&amp;P: Comparative</li> <li>• A&amp;P: Human</li> <li>• A&amp;P: Mammalian</li> <li>• A&amp;P: SEPARATE courses</li> <li>• A&amp;P: Vertebrate</li> </ul>

## Anatomy & Physiology II

Coursework older than **10** years will not be accepted

Exercise Physiology is not accepted. Survey courses are NOT accepted.

Course Level

General or College

Lab Required

Required

Credits

SH: 4  
QS: 6

Acceptable Courses

- A&P: Advanced
- A&P: Animal
- 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 I

Coursework older than **10** years will not be accepted

Biology courses not listed below as acceptable are eligible for review by the Admissions Committee. Anatomy and Physiology classes can NOT be used to meet this requirement.

Course Level

General or College

Lab Required

Required

Credits

SH: 4  
QS: 6

Acceptable Courses

- Biology: Advanced
- Biology: Cell
- Biology: Embryology
- Biology: General
- Biology: General I
- Biology: Genetics
- Biology: Histology
- Biology: Immunology
- Biology: Microbiology
- Biology: Molecular
- Biology: Zoology
- Chemistry: Biochemistry

## Biology II

Coursework older than **10** years will not be accepted

Biology courses not listed below as acceptable are eligible for review by the Admissions Committee. Anatomy and Physiology classes can NOT be used to meet this requirement.

Course Level

General or College

Lab Required

Required

Credits

SH: 4  
QS: 6

Acceptable Courses

- A&P: Pathophysiology
- Biology: Advanced
- Biology: Cell
- Biology: Embryology
- Biology: General
- Biology: General II
- Biology: Genetics
- Biology: Histology
- Biology: Immunology
- Biology: Microbiology
- Biology: Molecular
- Biology: Zoology
- Chemistry: Biochemistry
- Exercise Physiology

## Chemistry I

Coursework older than **10** years will not be accepted

Chemistry courses not listed below as acceptable are eligible for review by the Admissions Committee.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4 QS: 6
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Chemistry I</li><li>• Chemistry: Advanced</li><li>• Chemistry: Any</li><li>• Chemistry: Biochemistry</li><li>• Chemistry: Inorganic</li><li>• Chemistry: Organic</li></ul>

## Chemistry II

Coursework older than **10** years will not be accepted

Chemistry courses not listed below as acceptable are eligible for review by the Admissions Committee.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4 QS: 6
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Chemistry II</li><li>• Chemistry: Advanced</li><li>• Chemistry: Any</li><li>• Chemistry: Biochemistry</li><li>• Chemistry: Inorganic</li><li>• Chemistry: Organic</li></ul>

## Physics I

Coursework older than **10** years will not be accepted

Algebra or calculus-based course sequences are acceptable.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4 QS: 6
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Physics I</li><li>• Physics: Any</li><li>• Physics: General</li></ul>

## Physics II

Coursework older than **10** years will not be accepted

Algebra or calculus-based course sequences are acceptable.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4 QS: 6
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Physics II</li><li>• Physics: Any</li><li>• Physics: General</li></ul>

## Psychology

Psychology and Sociology courses not listed below as acceptable are eligible for review by the Admissions Committee.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Not Applicable
Credits	SH: 3 QS: 5
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Psychology: Abnormal</li> <li>Psychology: Adolescent</li> <li>Psychology: Advanced</li> <li>Psychology: Any</li> <li>Psychology: Child</li> <li>Psychology: Death &amp; Dying</li> <li>Psychology: Developmental</li> <li>Psychology: General</li> <li>Psychology: General I</li> <li>Psychology: General II</li> <li>Psychology: Growth &amp; Development</li> <li>Psychology: Human Behavior</li> <li>Psychology: Life Span Development</li> <li>Psychology: Psychopathology</li> <li>Psychology: Rehabilitation</li> <li>Psychology: Social</li> <li>Psychology: Sports</li> <li>Social/Behavioral Science: Sociology</li> </ul>

## Statistics

Coursework older than **10** years will not be accepted

Admissions Committee will consider all college level Statistics courses.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Not Applicable
Credits	SH: 3 QS: 5
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Biology: Biostatistics</li> <li>Business: Statistics</li> <li>Mathematics: Statistics</li> <li>Psychology: Statistics</li> </ul>

## Deadlines

PT program start date for entering class	08/28/2024
Multiple start dates?	No
PTCAS application deadline	November 15, 2023
Deadline Type	Priority Deadline
Application close date	May 15, 2024
Program has rolling admissions process?	Other
Important dates	<p>* Applications are reviewed as they are received and applicants are highly encouraged to <b>APPLY EARLY</b> to make sure your application is verified by the deadline.</p> <p>*For <b>verified</b> applications that are received by the November 15th priority deadline, decisions will be released on December 15th.</p> <p>*For applications that are verified after the November 15th priority deadline, decisions will be released on a rolling basis starting in January.</p> <p>*The PT program will host a variety of events in the summer and fall semesters. These events are open to anyone interested in our PT program. <a href="#">Please see our website for more information and to RSVP.</a></p>

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