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Program Name	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
General Description / Special Programs	
Established	
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Program Information	
Program Description	<p>The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Division of Physical Therapy, has a rich history of education, research, clinical services, and the integration of all three. Our graduates and faculty have made significant contributions locally, regionally, nationally, and internationally. We, the faculty, students, and staff of the Division are committed to this outstanding tradition and to carrying it through the 21st century.</p> <p>We are administratively located within the Department of Allied Health Sciences within the School of Medicine. Our classrooms, offices, and laboratories are located in Bondurant Hall in the heart of the UNC Health Affairs campus and adjacent to the superb Health Sciences Library.</p> <p>The UNC-Chapel Hill Division of Physical Therapy is dedicated to the advancement and dissemination of knowledge in Physical Therapy within the context of Physical Therapy professional education, direct clinical services to the public and interdisciplinary research. Our interdependent model of research, education, and clinical services prepares leaders who will improve the quality of life of individuals and their communities.</p> <p>The Division of Physical Therapy values an organizational culture that balances team commitment and personal/professional autonomy. Faculty/student collegiality, respect for diverse contributions, interdisciplinary collaboration, open communication, entrepreneurial spirit, and excellence are all important to fostering this culture.</p> <p>Physical Therapy started in Chapel Hill in April 1952, when the North Carolina Memorial Hospital opened. Dr. Margaret Moore developed the first physical therapy clinical program at the hospital, where she was chief of the department until 1954. It was in July 1957 that the physical therapy education program got underway, with Dr. Moore as the director of the Division of Physical Therapy—a viable combination of education and service commitments in the hospital and School of Medicine. Dr. Moore was director of the program until 1974. Shirley Cloninger Fisher was the first graduate in Physical Therapy at Chapel Hill in 1959. The initial degree was a Bachelor's in Physical Therapy and now is the Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT).</p> <p>UNC-Chapel Hill was one of the first institutions to offer post-professional training to physical therapists. Our Master's program in Physical Therapy, established in 1975, offered a Master's of Clinical Teaching (MACT) degree that focused on teaching at the collegiate level. As we developed a greater focus on research, we shifted to a MS program in PT and, in the early 1990s, the degree changed again from an MS in PT to an MS in Human Movement Science. This change and the need for more well trained PT researchers was the basis of our efforts to establish the PhD program in Human Movement Science in 1999. Our first DPT class matriculated in 2007, graduating in 2010. We now have several hundred PT graduates from our master's and doctorate programs across the USA, Canada, Asia, India, and Europe. We are very fortunate that many maintain close ties with Carolina.</p>
Program offers a guaranteed freshman admission pathway?	No

Program Information

Dual-degree programs offered in conjunction with the PT degree	DPT/MSPH,DPT/PhD
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
Deposit Refundable?	No
Due Date of First Required Deposit	12/02/2020
Anticipated Size of the Next Entering Class	32
Size of Most Recent Entering Class	32
% of IN-STATE applicants accepted	82%
% of OUT-OF-STATE (non-resident) U.S. applicants accepted	18%
Additional information about the class profile	1) We welcome applications for residents and non-residents of North Carolina. All applications are reviewed fully without consideration for state of residency. 2) We are not able to provide individual program tours or site visits. We do have information sessions which occur during the summer, beginning in late May and ending early August. Please visit the DPT admissions page in late April to see more information about attending these events.

Admission Requirements

Supplemental FEE required?	Yes
Supplemental fee amount	\$95
Supplemental APPLICATION required?	Yes
Supplemental MATERIALS required?	Yes - for selected applicants only
Description of supplemental materials required	The supplemental application requires students to complete questions related to community standards, residency (if an applicant wishes to claim NC Residency for Tuition Purposes), and military service as mandated by NC state law. The supplemental application will guide applicants on supporting documentation required and will be sent to each applicant within 3-4 business days after they submit their PTCAS application. Applicants do not need to list schools attended or provide transcripts through the supplemental application. Transcripts will be provided only through PTCAS.
Supplemental forms and materials required by program - item 1	Separate application which will be sent to all completed applicants after their PTCAS application is submitted.

Admission Requirements

Deadline for Submission of Supplemental Materials	09/22/2020
Link to supplemental forms or instructions	https://www.med.unc.edu/ahs/physical/programs/DPT/DPT%20admissions#Supplemental_Materials
Is GRE Required?	Yes
Program's PTCAS GRE code	7733
Additional information about program's GRE requirements	Applicants MUST submit GRE scores through the PTCAS GRE code of 7733. Codes submitted to the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill GRE school code will NOT be accepted. The UNC Division of Physical Therapy will consider all qualified applicants. Applicants must earn a minimum score of 40% on each section of the GRE. The noted scores must be obtained within a single testing session.
MINIMUM GRE Verbal reasoning % score	40
AVERAGE GRE Verbal reasoning % score	66
MINIMUM GRE Quantitative reasoning % score	40
AVERAGE GRE Quantitative reasoning % score	58
AVERAGE GRE Analytical writing scaled score	2.0
MINIMUM GRE Analytical writing % score	40
AVERAGE GRE Analytical writing % score	68
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
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 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
Information about your PT requirements	For this application cycle there is no minimum number of observation hours required. They are recommended not required since many applicants may have issues getting observation hours with the Corona Virus limiting access. Please review the definition of "settings" found in PTCAS application instructions.
Program's PT hours requirement	PT hours are required - a licensed PT must verify hours w/ signed form uploaded or online via PTCAS
Paid	Accepted/Considered
Volunteer	Accepted/Considered
Inpatient	Accepted/Considered

Admission Requirements

Outpatient	Accepted/Considered
MINIMUM GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative	3.00
AVERAGE GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative	3.65
MINIMUM GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.20
AVERAGE GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.60
Additional information about program's GPA requirements	UNC will use the last four semesters taken as a full-time student (undergraduate and/or graduate) for the overall GPA calculation. UNC uses only the highest course grade earned in calculating the program specific prerequisite GPA. If a prerequisite course is repeated, we will use the higher of the two grades. We look at all courses taken at accredited institutions equally - including community colleges and courses taken online. Please see the UNC website for a list of course descriptions we have found to be acceptable.
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, Foreign (non-U.S.) citizens, Other non-citizens (e.g., refugees)
Additional information about program's policy on foreign coursework	Prerequisite courses must be completed at an accredited college or university in the US and/or Canada. Courses can be completed online. We look at all courses taken at accredited institutions equally - including community colleges and courses taken online. Please see the UNC website for a list of course descriptions we have found to be acceptable.

Course Prerequisites

Bachelor's degree required prior to matriculation into PT program?	Yes
General Information	1. All courses must be completed by the end of the Fall semester of the year in which you apply. At least nine (9) prerequisite courses must be completed before the Fall semester begins (e.g., only two (2) or fewer may be in progress during that Fall semester.) There are no exceptions to this rule. 2. Must be mathematically possible to obtain or maintain a cumulative prerequisite GPA of 3.2 if you have courses in progress. 3. Higher level courses in a topic will not be accepted as substitutes for any prerequisite courses. E.g.: Abnormal Psychology will not be substituted for General Psychology.
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://www.med.unc.edu/ahs/physical/programs/DPT/DPT_admissions

Anatomy

A combination of Human Anatomy and Physiology course(s) with a minimum of 4 credit hours and lab will be accepted. If applicant takes a 2-part course, both parts must be taken.	
Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4.0
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A&P: COMBINED Course (eg. A&P) • A&P: Human • A&P: SEPARATE courses

Biology / Biological Science

Second course in human biology such as general biology II (if concentration is on human body), histology, immunology, genetics, cell biology, microbiology.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Recommended
Credits	SH: 3
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology: Cell• Biology: Embryology• Biology: General II• Biology: Genetics• Biology: Histology• Biology: Immunology• Biology: Microbiology• Biology: Molecular

Biology / Biological Science

Introductory biology with lab for a minimum of 4 hours.

Course Level	Introductory
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4.0
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology: Cell• Biology: General• Biology: General I

Chemistry

Class and lab must be a minimum of 4 combined credit hours; Organic Chemistry will not be accepted.

Course Level	Introductory
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4.0
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chemistry I

Chemistry II

Chemistry II with lab, minimum of 4 credit hours

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

Exercise Physiology

Exercise Physiology (or Physiology of Exercise) is the only course that will be accepted for this prerequisite.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Recommended
Credits	SH: 3.0
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Exercise Physiology

Physics I

Class and lab must be a minimum of 4 combined credit hours.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4.0
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Physics I

Physics II

Class and lab must be a minimum of 4 combined credit hours.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4.0
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Physics II

Physiology

A combination Anatomy and Physiology course with a minimum of 4 credit hours and lab will be accepted. If applicant takes a 2-part course, both parts must be taken.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Recommended
Credits	SH: 3.0
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A&P: COMBINED Course (eg. A&P)• A&P: Human• A&P: SEPARATE courses

Psychology

Higher level Psychology courses will not be accepted.

Course Level	Introductory
Lab Required	Not Required
Credits	SH: 3.0
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Psychology: General

Statistics

Departmental research courses covering statistics fundamentals will be accepted (eg Research in Exercise and Sport Science or Statistical Principles of Psychological Research)

Course Level	Introductory
Lab Required	Not Applicable
Credits	SH: 3.0
Acceptable Courses	

Deadlines

PT program start date for entering class	08/17/2021
Multiple start dates?	No
PTCAS application deadline	Sep 15 2020
Deadline Type	Firm
Program has rolling admissions process?	No
Important dates	<p>To ensure that processing of your application not be delayed, all supporting documents (letters of recommendation, transcripts, and verified observation hours) and GRE scores must have arrived at PTCAS by the application deadline (9/15/2020). This deadline is firm.</p> <p>All documents including transcripts, recommendation letters, and observation hours will only be accepted through PTCAS. No documents should be mailed, emailed or faxed to the Division of Physical Therapy at UNC Chapel Hill.</p> <p>Note: The supplemental application and fee (\$95 UNC fee) is a separate requirement from the fees paid through PTCAS and is due by September 22, 2020.</p> <p>It is HIGHLY recommended that applicants submit materials early. Incomplete applications will not be evaluated.</p>

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