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General Description / Special Programs	
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Program Information	
Program Description	<p>The Physical Therapy Program at the University of Rhode Island (URI) is a fully accredited Doctor of Physical Therapy degree program. Through an intensive three-year course of study, you'll learn about basic sciences, evaluative and treatment theories, intervention techniques, and other clinical skills. As a URI physical therapy student, you will have unique opportunities to stretch your personal and professional skills through experiences that go far beyond traditional settings. For us, this makes the difference between developing good practitioners, and great ones.</p> <p>At URI you'll progressively develop your physical therapy knowledge and skill through a solid, effective curriculum rooted in integration of the three components of evidence-based medicine: research, clinical expertise, and patient values. You'll actively participate in early clinical experiences designed to put into practice the material learned in the classroom, as well as contribute to research projects. And our tuition and fee totals are highly competitive, whether you're a Rhode Islander or from another state.</p> <p>While the URI's DPT curriculum offers plenty of opportunities to learn and practice in traditional clinical settings, you will also have a chance to explore more non-traditional settings. We offer a unique course called Broadening Experiences, where you'll design and plan a two-week service experience, then go wherever that plan takes you during your second year. Whether it's working with dolphins learning how to use their new prosthetic tails in Florida, working with children with disabilities in Guatemala, or studying health care practices in India, these two weeks just might change your life.</p> <p>As a DPT student at URI you'll become very familiar with your 32-person cohort during your three years here, but you will also get to know students and faculty from other disciplines, and schools, through our Interprofessional Education program. In a series of Interprofessional Education workshops, you'll work in teams with URI students and faculty from pharmacy, nursing, nutrition, kinesiology, and communicative disorders, as well as faculty and students from Rhode Island College's nursing and social work programs and Brown University's medical school.</p> <p>Clinical experiences abound through working with patients as a component of coursework, volunteering your newly learned skills in our on-site outpatient clinic, or helping with our community based exercise classes for persons with Parkinson's Disease or with balance disorders. In addition, every semester you are taking classes you will also spend one half day a week in a local practice setting.</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 Information

Institution's Religious Affiliation	None
Program conducts interviews as part of the admissions process?	Yes
Additional information about interviews	Interviews are by invitation only and occur in early January. "Fit" is very important and we hope applicants take advantage of the interview to see our beautiful campus and our nice space, interact with our students, and talk with faculty.
Is a Deposit Required for Accepted Applicants?	Yes
Total cumulative deposit	\$1000
Additional Information about Deposit	A \$1000, non-refundable deposit is required at the time of acceptance. This is not an additional fee, but will be credited to the students' Fall tuition bill.
Deposit Refundable?	No
Due Date of First Required Deposit	01/15/2021
Total Cost of Education for In-State Students	\$55000
Total Cost of Education for out of State Students	\$91000
Anticipated Size of the Next Entering Class	32
Size of Most Recent Entering Class	32
% of IN-STATE applicants accepted	41%
% of OUT-OF-STATE (non-resident) U.S. applicants accepted	59%
% Male	44%
% Female	56%
% Asian	6%
% White (Not of Hispanic Origin)	91%
% Two or More Races	3%
Additional information about the class profile	The URI - DPT Program values diversity and applicants with leadership and life experience.

Admission Requirements

Supplemental FEE required?	Yes
Supplemental fee amount	\$65
Supplemental APPLICATION required?	No
Supplemental MATERIALS required?	Yes - for selected applicants only
Supplemental forms and materials required by program - item 1	If you are invited for an interview, you may be asked to submit written answers to a few questions to help the interviewer know you better
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
Academic	Evaluator type accepted

Admission Requirements

Supervisor/Employer	Evaluator type accepted
Teaching Assistant	Evaluator type not accepted
PTA	Evaluator type not accepted
Pre-PT Advisor	Evaluator type not accepted
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 not accepted
Other	Evaluator type not accepted
Number of references required by program	2
Information about your PT requirements	We require 30 PT observation hours. While all of the hours need to be observing a Physical Therapist doing their job, Not all of these hours need to be in a clinical setting (e.g., hours can be done in a research lab, working with the local APTA chapter). More than 30 PT observational hours will not factor into admission decisions. However, the important issue is that the applicant gain a good understanding of the wide scope of patients, clients and settings involving a Physical Therapist, and on a general scale how the PTs contribute to the health and well being of the individuals they work with.
Program's PT hours requirement	PT hours are required - no verification by a physical therapist
Total number of PT Hours REQUIRED	30
Total number of PT Hours RECOMMENDED	60+
Paid	Accepted/Considered
Volunteer	Accepted/Considered
Inpatient	Accepted/Considered
Outpatient	Accepted/Considered
MINIMUM GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.20
AVERAGE GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.67
MINIMUM GPA Last 60 credit hours	3.20
AVERAGE GPA Last 60 credit hours	3.78
Additional information about program's GPA requirements	A cumulative minimum GPA of 3.2 in our prerequisite courses AND a cumulative minimum of 3.2 in the Last 60 credit hours is required. Program uses the highest grade earned in local GPA calculations, if course was repeated.
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	World Education Services (https://www.wes.org) is the preferred evaluation service for international transcripts. Canadian transcripts do NOT need to be evaluated and should be sent directly to PTCAS.

Course Prerequisites

Bachelor's degree required prior to matriculation into PT program?	Varies
If you selected, 'Varies,' please describe	Early Contingent Admission is considered for University of Rhode Island Kinesiology, Biology and Neuroscience majors. This option allows for completion of the undergraduate degree and the DPT curriculum in a total of 6 years (3 + 3), as opposed to the typical 7 years (4 + 3).
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	http://web.uri.edu/physical-therapy/admission/

Anatomy

Coursework older than 10 years will not be accepted	
For the Anatomy and Physiology prerequisites, two semesters of a combined Anatomy and Physiology course (A&P I plus A&P II = 8 credits, must include labs), or a 4 credit course in Anatomy plus a 4 credit course in Physiology (both must include labs). All science prerequisite courses must be designed for science majors and include a lab. Coursework older than 10 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: Human • A&P: Mammalian • A&P: Physiology • A&P: SEPARATE courses • A&P: Vertebrate

Biology / Biological Science

Coursework older than 10 years will not be accepted	
A total of 8 semester hours in Biology or Biological Sciences (not botany) is required in addition to Anatomy and Physiology. The courses must be designed for science majors and include a lab. A 4 credit course (with lab) in Exercise Physiology or Neuroscience will substitute for the second Biology course. Coursework older than 10 years not accepted.	
Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 8
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A&P: Exercise Physiology • A&P: Neuroanatomy • A&P: Neurophysiology • Biology: Advanced • Biology: Cell • Biology: Embryology • Biology: General • Biology: General I • Biology: General II • Biology: Genetics • Biology: Histology • Biology: Microbiology • Biology: Molecular • Biology: Zoology

Chemistry I

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

All Chemistry courses must be designed for science majors and include a lab. Coursework older than 10 years not accepted.

Course Level	General or College
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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: Advanced• Chemistry: Any• Chemistry: Biochemistry• Chemistry: Inorganic• Chemistry: Organic
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Chemistry II

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

All Chemistry courses must be designed for science majors and include a lab. Coursework older than 10 years not accepted.

Course Level	General or College
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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: Advanced• Chemistry: Biochemistry• Chemistry: Inorganic• Chemistry: Organic
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English Composition / Writing

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

Writing course required. Coursework older than 10 years not accepted.

Course Level	General or College
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Lab Required	Not Required
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Credits	SH: 3
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Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• English Composition• Technical Writing• Writing
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Math

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

The prerequisite is pre-calculus or calculus. Coursework older than 10 years not accepted.

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

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

All Physics courses must be designed for science majors and include a lab. Coursework older than 10 years not accepted.

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

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

All Physics courses must be designed for science majors and include a lab. Coursework older than 10 years not accepted.

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

Physiology

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

Two semesters (8 credits) of a combined Anatomy and Physiology course or a 4 credit course in Anatomy plus a 4 credit course in Physiology. All science prerequisite courses must be designed for science majors and include a lab. Coursework older than 10 years not accepted.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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: Physiology• A&P: SEPARATE courses• A&P: Vertebrate

Psychology

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

General Psychology or Introduction to Psychology, offered by a Psychology Department, will meet this prerequisite. Coursework older than 10 years not accepted.

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

Psychology

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

Any second level, content focused psychology course. Examples include developmental, adolescent, abnormal, social, and organizational, among others. Coursework older than 10 years not accepted.

Course Level	General or College
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Lab Required	Not Required
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Credits	SH: 3
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Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Psychology: Abnormal Psychology: Adolescent Psychology: Advanced Psychology: Child Psychology: Death & Dying Psychology: Developmental Psychology: General II Psychology: Growth & Development Psychology: Human Behavior Psychology: Life Span Development Psychology: Psychopathology Psychology: Rehabilitation Psychology: Social Psychology: Sports
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Statistics

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

An introduction to basic descriptive and inferential statistics is required. Departments of Mathematics, Statistics, Business, Psychology and Education may offer courses meeting this prerequisite. Coursework older than 10 years not accepted.

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

PT program start date for entering class	05/23/2022
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Multiple start dates?	No
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PTCAS application deadline	October 15, 2021
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Deadline Type	Firm
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Program has rolling admissions process?	No
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Important dates	Review of applications will begin early in December, with invitations to interview being emailed shortly thereafter. Interviews will be scheduled early in January. These interviews are by invitation only and the incoming class will be selected from the pool of interviewed applicants. Please note: Interview invitations are made before Fall Semester grades are available.
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