

Program Information	
Program Name	University of Tennessee Health Science Center
General Description / Special Programs	
Established	1965
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Program Information	
Program Description	<p>Established in 1911 and accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the UT Health Science Center (UTHSC) is the flagship statewide academic health system. More than 2800 students are currently enrolled in programs at the UTHSC.</p> <p>The aim of the UT Health Science Center is to improve human health through education, research, clinical care and public service. The UTHSC campuses include colleges of Health Professions, Dentistry, Graduate Health Sciences, Medicine, Nursing and Pharmacy. Patient care, professional education and research are carried out at hospitals and other clinical sites across Tennessee. Endowed professorships, Research Centers of Excellence, and continuing relationships with research and health care facilities across Tennessee ensure that both basic science and applied research stay focused on contemporary health topics. UT Health Science Center faculty and staff have received more than \$100 million in research funding, including support from National Institutes of Health grants and private foundations. The Department of Physical Therapy was established in 1965 and has a long history of graduating excellent practitioners. The objective of the Department is to provide a quality education to enrolled students that requires accumulation of scientific knowledge, acquisition of essential physical therapy skills and the development of professional attitudes and behaviors.</p> <p>Consistent with the educational missions of UT Health Science Center, the overall mission of the Department of Physical Therapy is to serve the public with a focus on the citizens of Tennessee and the region by preparing qualified practitioners and engaging in clinical care, service and research.</p> <p>Graduates who are empathetic, skilled, and safe general practitioners of physical therapy and who exhibit an intrinsic motivation for continued learning exemplify the fulfillment of that mission.</p> <p>There are twelve full time core faculty members in the department plus adjunct faculty members. Of the core faculty, seven hold terminal doctoral degrees; six hold the DPT degree, six are certified as clinical specialists, and 100% are engaged in clinical practice. Over the past 3 years, the faculty has averaged 4.1 publications in peer-reviewed journals. The faculty to student ratio is 16:1.</p> <p><b>Federal regulations require UTHSC to notify potential students regarding whether the completion of the program is sufficient to meet educational requirements for licensure in States. For complete information please see the Student Right to Know page on the UTHSC website (<a href="https://uthsc.edu/health-professions/physical-therapy/prospective-students/application.php">https://uthsc.edu/health-professions/physical-therapy/prospective-students/application.php</a>), under "Educational Requirements for Licensure or Certification by Program by State". You are also encouraged to consult your state licensing agency directly as requirements may change.</b></p>
Program offers a guaranteed freshman admission pathway?	No

## Program Information

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	Face to face, on campus interviews are mandatory. Anticipated interview dates will be 10/9/2020 for Soft Decision and Firm Decision will be 12/11/2020 and 12/12/2020.
Is a Deposit Required for Accepted Applicants?	Yes
Total cumulative deposit	\$575
Additional Information about Deposit	If accepted into the program applicant pays a \$75.00 (non-refundable) application processing fee. There is a \$500.00 guaranteed enrollment deposit that is applied to tuition and fees when applicant matriculates.
Deposit Refundable?	No
Due Date of First Required Deposit	01/15/2021
Anticipated Size of the Next Entering Class	64
Size of Most Recent Entering Class	64
% of IN-STATE applicants accepted	90%
% of OUT-OF-STATE (non-resident) U.S. applicants accepted	10%

## Admission Requirements

Supplemental FEE required?	No
Supplemental fee amount	\$0
Supplemental APPLICATION required?	No
Supplemental MATERIALS required?	Yes

## Admission Requirements

Description of supplemental materials required	Please DO NOT submit supplemental materials including transcripts, proof of certifications, or professional evaluations directly to the school. These documents MUST all be submitted through the PTCAS. Applicants will be contacted by the program via email if additional information is required.
Supplemental forms and materials required by program - item 1	Applicant must review the technical standards required of the UTHSC physical therapy student.
Link to supplemental forms or instructions	<a href="http://www.uthsc.edu/allied/pt/pt_tech_stand.php">http://www.uthsc.edu/allied/pt/pt_tech_stand.php</a>
Is GRE Required?	Yes
Program's PTCAS GRE code	7744
Additional information about program's GRE requirements	* While taking the GRE during this time is significantly more challenging than in previous years, the GRE is still a requirement for application. We encourage applicants to explore the opportunities to take the GRE at home and/or the test's newly revised fall dates. * Applicants may take the GRE multiple times, but we will not a combined for a "super" score. * Applicants are considered incomplete and will NOT be reviewed until an official GRE score is reported through the program's PTCAS GRE code- 7744. * DO NOT use University of Tennessee Health Science Center GRE code.
AVERAGE GRE Verbal reasoning scaled score	152
AVERAGE GRE Quantitative reasoning scaled score	153
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 not accepted
Teaching Assistant	Evaluator type not accepted
PTA	Evaluator type not accepted
Pre-PT Advisor	Evaluator type 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	2
Additional information about program's reference requirements	* Two (2) PTCAS reference forms must be submitted. One reference must be from a physical therapist that you have volunteered/observed with or have worked for, and a second reference must be either professor in your major or your academic advisor. * The program will NOT accept stand-alone letters submitted without a completed reference form. References from a non-academic evaluators will not be accepted.
Information about your PT requirements	* We recognize that obtaining 50 observation hours (in 2 different settings) will be difficult with the current clinical environment. Thus, we are extending the deadline for obtaining these hours until the Spring of 2021 and will address each applicant's situation on a case-by-case basis. * We recommend that you pursue multiple clinical settings in order for you to have a more well-rounded knowledge of physical therapy. * Examples of different settings can include traditional outpatient and hospital-based settings, rehabilitation, industrial rehab, pelvic health, aquatic therapy, hippotherapy, pediatrics or telehealth.
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	09/23/2019
Paid	Accepted/Considered

## Admission Requirements

Volunteer	Accepted/Considered
Inpatient	Accepted/Considered
Outpatient	Accepted/Considered
AVERAGE GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative	3.30
AVERAGE GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.40
Additional information about program's GPA requirements	* We will accept pre-requisite courses graded on a Pass/Fail system. * Experience has shown that generally a cumulative GPA of at least 3.20 must be present for an applicant to be competitive. Program allows grade forgiveness, up to 16 hours.
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
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
Additional information about program's policy on foreign coursework	Applicants whose native language is not English must submit results of the TOEFL, with a minimal score of 550.

## Course Prerequisites

Bachelor's degree required prior to matriculation into PT program?	Yes
General Information	* For additional information about prerequisite courses, transfer course credits and degrees, please see the UTHSC Office of Admissions at: <a href="http://catalog.uthsc.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=32&amp;poid=2554">http://catalog.uthsc.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=32&amp;poid=2554</a> . * We will accept pre-requisite courses graded on a Pass/Fail system. * Though we prefer that lab courses be taken face-to-face, we will accept online lab courses. * AP and CLEP credit hours are accepted for Math, Statistics and Psychology ONLY. * We recommend science prerequisite courses be fulfilled with face-to-face courses. * If any outstanding prerequisite coursework is NOT PROJECTED in PTCAS to be completed prior to potential admission, your application may be denied. * Please be sure you are viewing the 2020-2021 Academic Bulletin (catalog).
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	<a href="http://catalog.uthsc.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=27&amp;poid=1950">http://catalog.uthsc.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=27&amp;poid=1950</a>

## Anatomy & Physiology I

Recommend course be face to face for lecture and lab. Lab required.	
Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4
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: Physiology</li> <li>• A&amp;P: SEPARATE courses</li> <li>• A&amp;P: Vertebrate</li> </ul>

## Anatomy & Physiology II

Recommend course be face to face for lecture and lab. Lab required.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4
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: Physiology</li><li>• A&amp;P: SEPARATE courses</li><li>• A&amp;P: Vertebrate</li></ul>

## Biology I

Recommend course be face to face for lecture and lab. Lab required. Cannot be an introductory or remedial course.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Biology: Advanced</li><li>• Biology: Any</li><li>• Biology: Cell</li><li>• Biology: Embryology</li><li>• Biology: General</li><li>• Biology: General I</li><li>• Biology: Genetics</li><li>• Biology: Histology</li><li>• Biology: Immunology</li><li>• Biology: Microbiology</li><li>• Biology: Molecular</li><li>• Biology: Zoology</li></ul>

## Biology II

Recommend course be face to face for lecture and lab. Lab required. Cannot be an introductory or remedial course.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Biology: Advanced</li><li>• Biology: Any</li><li>• Biology: Cell</li><li>• Biology: Embryology</li><li>• Biology: General</li><li>• Biology: General II</li><li>• Biology: Genetics</li><li>• Biology: Histology</li><li>• Biology: Immunology</li><li>• Biology: Microbiology</li><li>• Biology: Molecular</li><li>• Biology: Zoology</li></ul>

## Chemistry I

Recommend course be face to face for lecture and lab. Lab required. Cannot be an introductory or remedial course.

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"><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>
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## Chemistry II

Recommend course be face to face for lecture and lab. Lab required. Cannot be an introductory or remedial course.

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"><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>
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## Math

AP And CLEP course credit may be accepted for the three (3) hours of college math credit. Must count toward a major: cannot be an introductory or remedial math course.

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

Recommend course be face to face for lecture and lab. Lab required. Cannot be an introductory or remedial course.

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"><li>• Physics I</li><li>• Physics: General</li></ul>
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## Physics II

Recommend course be face to face for lecture and lab. Lab required. Cannot be an introductory or remedial course.

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"><li>• Physics II</li><li>• Physics: General</li></ul>
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## Psychology

AP and CLEP course credit may be accepted for the three (3) hours of college psychology credit.

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

## Psychology

AP and CLEP course credit may be accepted for the three (3) hours of college psychology credit.

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

## Statistics

AP and CLEP course credit may be accepted for statistics prerequisite. Must count toward a major: cannot be an introductory or remedial math course.

Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Not Applicable
Credits	SH: 3
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	08/31/2021
Multiple start dates?	No
PTCAS application deadline	Aug 17 2020
Deadline Type	Soft
Application close date	Nov 02 2020
Program has rolling admissions process?	No
Important dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Our first (soft) deadline will be August 17 and Interviews from this deadline will be September 18 or 25.</li> <li>• Our second (final) deadline will be November 2 and Interviews from this deadline will be December 11 or 12.</li> <li>• Candidates who are invited to interview but are not accepted may have their application be classified as alternate/waitlist or denied.</li> </ul>

## Program Contacts

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