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| Program Name | University of Washington |
| General Description / Special Programs | |
| Established | |
| Country | United States |
| State | WA |
| City | Seattle |
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Program Information

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| Program Description | <p>Graduate students are prepared as physical therapist generalists in a unique interdisciplinary environment. The University of Washington (UW) Department of Rehabilitation Medicine houses 3 allied health training programs (in physical therapy, occupational therapy, and prosthetics/orthotics) which interact throughout the didactic process.</p> <p>The UW Department of Rehabilitation Medicine has been top-ranked for several years by US News and World Report. The Department, in turn, is a unit of a world-class Medical School and Health Sciences Center. Many academic and clinical resources are available to UW Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) degree program students that are not accessible at smaller institutions.</p> <p>The UW DPT program structure consists of 8 quarters of didactic instruction, followed by 3 quarters of clinical internship. Although generalist training is the primary goal, the program is clinically-focused, with the capstone project being a case study/research report. In addition to required coursework supporting a foundation for evidence-based practice, there are elective opportunities for research and community involvement.</p> <p>The program operates on a year round, full-time schedule, with the average scholastic load at 15 credits per quarter. One to two week breaks occur between each quarter; and from the end of summer to the beginning of fall quarter each year there is a 5 week hiatus. New students begin the program at the end of September and graduate in June three years later with a Doctor of Physical Therapy degree.</p> <p>The program is located in the Emerald City, beautiful Seattle, Washington, very near abundant opportunities to engage in activities which many physical therapy students enjoy, i.e. hiking, skiing, and water/field/indoor sports. There is also a thriving and diverse arts community (including dance). For complete details, visit the program website (https://www.physicaltherapy.uw.edu/).</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 conducts interviews as part of the admissions process? | No |
| Is a Deposit Required for Accepted Applicants? | Yes |
| Total cumulative deposit | \$500 |
| Additional Information about Deposit | Deposit required only of applicants accepting offered positions. |
| Deposit Refundable? | No |
| Due Date of First Required Deposit | 02/15/2021 |
| Anticipated Size of the Next Entering Class | 48 |
| Size of Most Recent Entering Class | 48 |
| Additional information about the class profile | WICHE certification OK for application. |

Admission Requirements

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| Supplemental FEE required? | Yes |
| Supplemental fee amount | \$85 |
| Supplemental APPLICATION required? | Yes |
| Supplemental MATERIALS required? | No |
| Description of supplemental materials required | Applicants must submit a separate application to the UW Graduate School. Please see the information at https://grad.uw.edu/admissions/apply-now/ . |
| Link to supplemental forms or instructions | https://www.physicaltherapy.uw.edu/admissions/ |
| Is GRE Required? | Yes |
| Program's PTCAS GRE code | 0088 |
| Last acceptable GRE test date for this cycle | 09/30/2020 |
| Oldest GRE test date considered for this cycle | 10/15/2015 |

Admission Requirements

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| Additional information about program's GRE requirements | Official GRE scores must be received by the deadline. |
| 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 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 | 3 |
| Additional information about program's reference requirements | Maximum number of letters is 4. Applications with less than 3 letters will be disqualified. Applicants must obtain at least one letter from a physical therapist. |
| Information about your PT requirements | A PT must be on staff for hours to be considered direct, rather than related. Volunteer, observation, shadow, and paid hours are weighted equally. Exposure to breadth and depth of practice environments and clients preferred. |
| Program's PT hours requirement | PT hours are required - no verification by a physical therapist |
| Total number of PT Hours REQUIRED | 50 |
| Total number of PT Hours RECOMMENDED | 100-200 |
| Paid | Accepted/Considered |
| Volunteer | Accepted/Considered |
| Inpatient | Accepted/Considered |
| Outpatient | Accepted/Considered |
| MINIMUM GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative | 3.00 |
| MINIMUM GPA Program-specific prerequisite | 3.00 |
| Additional information about program's GPA requirements | Any potential pre-requisite course assigned a grade lower than "C" (<2.00) cannot be used to satisfy requirements. |
| 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 |

Admission Requirements

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| 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 demonstrate English language proficiency (See the UW Graduate School Requirement at https://grad.uw.edu/policies-procedures/graduate-school-memoranda/memo-8-graduate-school-english-language-proficiency-requirements/). A minimum of 100 on the TOEFL iBT is required. Test scores must be sent directly to PTCAS by the Educational Testing Service using institution code 5312. Only scores less than two years old will be accepted. |

Course Prerequisites

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| Bachelor's degree required prior to matriculation into PT program? | Yes |
| General Information | At least 50% of prerequisite course requirements should be completed at the time of application. There is no expiration date for prerequisite coursework. |
| 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.physicaltherapy.uw.edu/admissions/ |

Anatomy

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| Human anatomy is highly recommended. | |
| Course Level | Survey |
| Lab Required | Recommended |
| Credits | |
| 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 • A&P: Neuroanatomy • A&P: SEPARATE courses • A&P: Vertebrate |

Biology I

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| Any course covering macro-to-micro-focused general biology is acceptable. A&P and Botany courses are NOT accepted. | |
| Course Level | Survey |
| Lab Required | Recommended |
| Credits | |
| Acceptable Courses | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biology: Advanced • Biology: Cell • Biology: Embryology • Biology: General • Biology: General I • Biology: Genetics • Biology: Histology • Biology: Immunology • Biology: Microbiology • Biology: Molecular • Biology: Zoology |

Biology II

Any course covering macro-to-micro-focused general biology is acceptable. A&P and Botany courses are NOT accepted.

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| Lab Required | Recommended |
| Credits | |
| Acceptable Courses | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology: Advanced• Biology: Cell• Biology: Embryology• Biology: General• Biology: General II• Biology: Genetics• Biology: Histology• Biology: Immunology• Biology: Microbiology• Biology: Molecular• Biology: Zoology |

Chemistry I

Any course covering inorganic, organic or biochemistry is acceptable.

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| Course Level | Survey |
| Lab Required | Recommended |
| Credits | |
| Acceptable Courses | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chemistry I• Chemistry: Advanced• Chemistry: Any• Chemistry: Biochemistry• Chemistry: Inorganic• Chemistry: Organic |

Chemistry II

Any course covering inorganic, organic or biochemistry is acceptable.

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| Course Level | Survey |
| Lab Required | Recommended |
| Credits | |
| Acceptable Courses | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chemistry II• Chemistry: Advanced• Chemistry: Any• Chemistry: Biochemistry• Chemistry: Inorganic• Chemistry: Organic |

Physics I

A course covering mechanics, heat, sound and/or electromagnetism is acceptable.

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| Course Level | Survey |
| Lab Required | Recommended |
| Credits | |
| Acceptable Courses | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Physics I• Physics: Any• Physics: General |

Physics II

A course covering mechanics, heat, sound and/or electromagnetism is acceptable.

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| Course Level | Survey |
| Lab Required | Recommended |
| Credits | |
| Acceptable Courses | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Physics II• Physics: Any• Physics: General |

Physiology

Human physiology is highly recommended.

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| Lab Required | Recommended |
| Credits | |
| 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• A&P: SEPARATE courses• A&P: Vertebrate |

Psychology

Any psychology course.

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

Social/Behavioral Science

Any course focusing on human behavior across the disciplines of psychology, sociology or anthropology is acceptable.

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| Course Level | Survey |
| Lab Required | Not Required |
| Credits | |
| Acceptable Courses | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Psychology: Abnormal • Psychology: Adolescent • Psychology: Advanced • Psychology: Any • Psychology: Child • Psychology: Death & Dying • Psychology: Developmental • Psychology: General • Psychology: General I • Psychology: General II • Psychology: Growth & Development • Psychology: Human Behavior • Psychology: Life Span Development • Psychology: Psychopathology • Psychology: Rehabilitation • Psychology: Social • Psychology: Sports • Social/Behavioral Science: Anthropology • Social/Behavioral Science: Community Health • Social/Behavioral Science: Human Sexuality • Social/Behavioral Science: Marriage/Family • Social/Behavioral Science: Personal Health • Social/Behavioral Science: Social Work • Social/Behavioral Science: Sociology |

Statistics

A statistics course in any discipline is acceptable. Calculus is NOT accepted.

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| Course Level | Survey |
| Lab Required | Not Required |
| Credits | |
| Acceptable Courses | |

Deadlines

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| PT program start date for entering class | 09/29/2021 |
| Multiple start dates? | No |
| PTCAS application deadline | Oct 15 2020 |
| Deadline Type | Firm |
| Program has rolling admissions process? | No |
| Important dates | Applicants will be notified of their admission status in January 2021. |

Program Contacts

| Name | Phone | Email | Geographic Areas of Expertise International |
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