



University of Washington

Program Information

Program Name	University of Washington
General Description / Special Programs	
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Program Information

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 is required when applicants accept offered positions
Deposit Refundable?	No
Due Date of First Required Deposit	02/28/2022
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

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/admission/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	09/30/2021
Oldest GRE test date considered for this cycle	10/15/2016

Admission Requirements	
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	Due to COVID-19, we reduced the PT observation hours requirement to 25 hours for the 2021-22 admission cycle. 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	25
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
CanadianTranscriptsDictionary	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	
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	
Bachelor's degree required prior to matriculation into PT program?	Yes
General Information	50% of prerequisite course requirements must 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	
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	
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.

Course Level	Survey
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Lab Required	Recommended
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Credits	
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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
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Chemistry I

Any course covering inorganic, organic or biochemistry is acceptable.

Course Level	Survey
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Lab Required	Recommended
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Credits	
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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

Any course covering inorganic, organic or biochemistry is acceptable.

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

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

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

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

Course Level

Survey

Lab Required

Recommended

Credits

Acceptable Courses

- Physics II
- Physics: Any
- Physics: General

Physiology

Human physiology is highly recommended.

Course Level

Survey

Lab Required

Recommended

Credits

Acceptable Courses

- 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.

Course Level

Survey

Lab Required

Not Required

Credits

Acceptable Courses

- 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.	
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.	
Course Level	Survey
Lab Required	Not Required
Credits	
Acceptable Courses	

Deadlines	
PT program start date for entering class	09/28/2022
Multiple start dates?	No
PTCAS application deadline	October 15, 2021
Deadline Type	Firm
Program has rolling admissions process?	No
Important dates	Applicants will be notified of their admission status in early February.

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