



Program Information

Program Name	University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
General Description / Special Programs	
Established	
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State	WI
City	Milwaukee
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Program Information

Program Description	<p>Doctors of Physical Therapy at the University of Wisconsin- Milwaukee (UWM) are uniquely educated in an urban setting, at a research-intensive campus. The UWM Doctor of Physical Therapy Program conducts a holistic review of applicants and strives to consider a balance of each applicant's personal attributes and experiences alongside of their accomplishments. Our focus is to graduate practitioners, researchers, and educators to be leaders in the profession of Physical Therapy across the lifespan.</p> <p>UWM is able to boast a 99% pass rate of our graduates on the National Physical Therapy Licensing Examination. We are also proud to uphold a 90% graduation rate.</p> <p>A number of program strengths support these outcomes including: talented students; our small class sizes offering personalized student attention; our cohesive faculty that is highly trained and motivated; and our high quality classroom and clinical education. Comprehensive practical examinations, completed each semester, encompass application of academic preparation with clinical skill performance, featuring students working one-on-one with faculty. Graduates of the UWM DPT program highlight this dynamic assessment as a major factor in their successes during student clinical experiences as well as in the workplace, as clinicians. The UWM program faculty supports a competency-based curriculum in order to optimize each student's preparation as a Doctor of Physical Therapy.</p> <p>The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee is one of two state, public doctoral research institutions. The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee has been recognized by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education as one of a select number of institutions with the highest research activity, a group often referred to as R1. This setting affords students in the DPT program at UWM access to numerous resources. Faculty collaborate with other departments, and students can study under the direction of research mentors; participate in interdisciplinary research projects; attend research seminars and clinical conferences; and take advantage of the extensive library resources and campus support services.</p> <p>BONUS- Milwaukee offers plenty of fun-filled activities year round. With its world-renowned summer festivals, rich culture, beautiful parks, beaches, farmers' markets and professional sports teams; it's a city that can't be beat! UWM is located within easy walking distance of several neighboring communities, as well as the shores of Lake Michigan. The Milwaukee lakefront is known for great scenery, hiking, and biking trails.</p> <p>The University of Wisconsin System Doctor of Physical Therapy Program at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) of the American Physical Therapy Association.</p> <p>For additional information, visit our website: www.dpt.uwm.edu</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?	No
Is a Deposit Required for Accepted Applicants?	Yes
Total cumulative deposit	\$500
Additional Information about Deposit	This deposit is part of the registration process; only for applicants that are offered admission to the program.
Deposit Refundable?	No
Due Date of First Required Deposit	10/30/2020
Total Cost of Education for In-State Students	\$55829
Total Cost of Education for out of State Students	\$125902
Anticipated Size of the Next Entering Class	26
Size of Most Recent Entering Class	26
% of IN-STATE applicants accepted	75%
% of OUT-OF-STATE (non-resident) U.S. applicants accepted	25%
% Male	50%
% Female	50%
Additional information about the class profile	Strong candidates are encouraged to apply during the early priority admission phase. The UWM DPT program does not reserve a certain percentage of placements for the regular admission phase. If we review enough competitive applications in the early priority admission phase to fill our class, we will do so.

Admission Requirements	
Supplemental FEE required?	Yes - for selected applicants only
Supplemental fee amount	\$75
Supplemental APPLICATION required?	Yes - for selected applicants only
Supplemental MATERIALS required?	No

Admission Requirements

Description of supplemental materials required	**The supplemental application and fee are the UWM Graduate School application and fee. ONLY those candidates selected by the UWM DPT Program are invited to apply to the UWM Graduate School. A PTCAS applicant will be notified if he or she needs to submit supplemental materials/fees. Do not incur additional fees by applying to the Graduate School without an invitation to do so from the DPT Program.**
Link to supplemental forms or instructions	https://graduateschool-apply.uwm.edu/
Is GRE Required?	Yes
Program's PTCAS GRE code	2131
Oldest GRE test date considered for this cycle	06/01/2015
Additional information about program's GRE requirements	The average data reported is according to our most recently admitted class.
AVERAGE GRE Verbal reasoning scaled score	156
AVERAGE GRE Quantitative reasoning scaled score	156
AVERAGE GRE Analytical writing scaled score	4.0
Physical Therapist-1	Evaluator type accepted
Physical Therapist-2	Evaluator type accepted
Professor in Major	Evaluator type accepted
Professor	Evaluator type accepted
Academic	Applicant must send one reference from this specific type of evaluator
Supervisor/Employer	Evaluator type 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 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	Important summary considerations: * At least one reference MUST be Academic in order for your application to be considered for review. * If the required two references are submitted, but one is from an evaluator type that is NOT accepted, then the application cannot be considered complete- and is not eligible for review.
Information about your PT requirements	Please note that a combination of both inpatient AND outpatient experiences are required to comprise the observation requirement (20 hours in each setting; 40 hours in total).
Program's PT hours requirement	PT hours are required - a licensed PT must verify hours w/ signed form uploaded or online via PTCAS

Admission Requirements

Total number of PT Hours REQUIRED	40
DEADLINE for completion of all PT hours	12/01/2020
Paid	Accepted/Considered
Volunteer	Accepted/Considered
Inpatient	Required
Outpatient	Required
MINIMUM GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative	3.00
AVERAGE GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative	3.62
MINIMUM GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.00
AVERAGE GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.49
Additional information about program's GPA requirements	Our program will consider an applicant file "not qualified" for review if GPA minima are not met. Our program uses the highest grade earned in local GPA calculations, if course was repeated.
Program considers Canadian coursework?	Yes
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	English translation required for original foreign transcripts.

Course Prerequisites	
Bachelor's degree required prior to matriculation into PT program?	Yes
General Information	UW-Milwaukee DPT Program prerequisite courses are consistent with the standard prerequisites adopted by the Academic Council of the APTA. If you completed course work at a location within the University of Wisconsin (UW) System you can check the following website to determine course equivalents/transfers: tis.uw.edu/wizards/index.jsp The UW-Milwaukee DPT Program reviews candidate files only when a complete application has been submitted. If you are considering application, and are taking prerequisite courses outside of the UW-System, you should meet with an academic advisor at your institution to determine course prerequisite matching. Please note: There will be no substitution of coursework that is not an equivalent course, i.e., a microbiology course will not be substituted for an anatomy course.
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://uwm.edu/healthsciences/academics/doctoral-physical-therapy/

Anatomy & Physiology I	
Human Anatomy/Physiology: students must take a 2 semester sequence of anatomy/physiology with lab. If UWM undergrad, required course is BIO SCI 202	
Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A&P: COMBINED Course (eg. A&P) • A&P: Human • A&P: Physiology • A&P: SEPARATE courses

Anatomy & Physiology II	
Two human anatomy/physiology courses with LAB are required. A & P II, with lab, would represent the second in this sequence. UWM undergrad course is BIO SCI 203.	
Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A&P: COMBINED Course (eg. A&P) • A&P: Human • A&P: Physiology • A&P: SEPARATE courses

Biology I	
General Biology I course with LAB. UWM undergrad, course is BIO SCI 150	
Course Level	General or College
Lab Required	Required
Credits	SH: 4
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biology: General I

Biology II

General Biology II course with LAB. UWM undergrad course is BIO SCI 152.

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

Chemistry I

Chemistry I: Inorganic, or general chemistry with LAB. UWM undergrad, course is CHEM 102.

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

Chemistry II

Chemistry II: Inorganic or general chemistry with LAB. If UWM undergrad, required course is CHEM 104

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

Physics I

Physics I: General physics course with LAB. UWM undergrad courses are PHYSICS 120 (lecture) + PHYSICS 121 (lab)

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

Physics II

Physics II: General physics course with LAB. UWM undergrad courses are PHYSICS 122 (lecture) + PHYSICS 123 (lab).

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

Psychology

Coursework older than **5** years will not be accepted

Any psychology course is acceptable.

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

Statistics

Statistics: Introductory statistics course. UWM undergrad course is KIN 270.

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

Deadlines

PT program start date for entering class	06/01/2021						
Multiple start dates?	No						
PTCAS application deadline	Nov 02 2020						
Deadline Type	Firm						
Program has rolling admissions process?	Yes						
Important dates	<p>Applications to the UWM DPT program are reviewed in two phases. The Early Priority Admission phase applies to all qualified applications received by August 17. Applications undergo a holistic review, considering all factors from the application (GPA, GRE, letters of recommendation, essay responses, observation hours, leadership, and extra-curricular activities, etc.).</p> <p>Offers in the Early Priority Admission phase will be made by October 15.</p> <p>Qualified and verified applications received after August 17 will be considered in the Rolling Admission phase, depending on availability.</p> <p>The firm application deadline is November 2, but applicants are encouraged to apply early as classes tend to fill in the Early Priority Admission phase.</p> <p>The program will retain a wait list for strong applicants that did not receive an offer. This list will be active until the class matriculates.</p> <p>Summary of Important Dates:</p> <table> <tr> <td>August 17th</td><td>Early Priority Admission application deadline</td></tr> <tr> <td>October 15th</td><td>Early Priority offers made</td></tr> <tr> <td>November 2nd</td><td>Rolling Admission application deadline</td></tr> </table> <p>Note: To be considered eligible for review, an applicant should have no more than 2 outstanding prerequisites to complete. An applicant's intent to complete outstanding prerequisites should be reflected as "Planned" in the Coursework section.</p> <p>* University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee's annual campus-wide Open House is held in October of each year.</p> <p>* The UW-Milwaukee DPT Program holds an on-campus session during each spring semester to provide information regarding the DPT Program; visit the website for updated information regarding coming sessions: http://www4.uwm.edu/chs/academics/kinesiology/</p> <p>* Students accepted into the UW-Milwaukee DPT Program will be notified regarding the DPT New Student Orientation which will occur in April 2021.</p>	August 17th	Early Priority Admission application deadline	October 15th	Early Priority offers made	November 2nd	Rolling Admission application deadline
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