



Program Information

Program Name	West Virginia University
General Description / Special Programs	
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Program Information

Program Description	<p>The Division of Physical Therapy at the WVU School of Medicine is celebrating 50 years of excellence in PT education. The program was founded in 1970 and graduated its first class in 1972. Since then, the program has been continuously accredited and has graduated over 1100 physical therapists. Currently, we admit 40 students in the DPT program each year.</p> <p>Our recently revised curriculum focuses on the role of the physical therapist as an expert in human movement and function. As part of an academic health sciences center, our students are exposed to rich interprofessional learning experiences and have access to a cutting-edge patient simulation laboratory. Students engage in extensive hands-on laboratory experiences, including cadaver dissection. As part of our missions to meet the needs of West Virginia, all students complete at least one of their full-time clinical experiences in a rural or underserved community.</p> <p>Students work directly with faculty members with extensive clinical and teaching experience. Our eleven core faculty members are actively engaged in teaching, clinical practice, and scholarship. They are joined by three clinical and three adjunct clinical faculty who provide clinical care and teaching in various specialty areas. Ten of our faculty members have PhD/EdD degrees; four hold DPT degrees; and nine hold advanced clinical specialist credentials.</p> <p>The WVU physical therapy program has a proud tradition of producing excellent student outcomes including board pass rates, student retention and graduation rates, clinical performance scores, employer satisfaction, and job placement. Over the past two years, our graduation rate is 100%, and our first-time board pass rate is 98%. Within 6 months of graduation, 97% of our graduates were employed as physical therapists. Strengths of the program cited on recent graduate/employer surveys included expertise of the faculty; classroom/laboratory space; and preparation in anatomy, orthopedic and neurologic physical therapy, examination and treatment skills, evidence-based practice, and interprofessional education.</p>
Program offers a guaranteed freshman admission pathway?	No
Dual-degree programs offered in conjunction with the PT degree	WVU is developing a dual DPT/PhD program. Please see https://medicine.hsc.wvu.edu/pt/dual-degree-dpt-phd-program/ .
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
Is a Deposit Required for Accepted Applicants?	Yes
Total cumulative deposit	\$400
Additional Information about Deposit	After receiving an offer of admission, accepted applicants will receive a tuition deposit invoice from the university. Deposit amounts are \$400 for WV residents and \$800 for non-residents. Deposits are due within 2 weeks and are non-refundable. The deposit will be applied to the student's Summer 2021 tuition.
Deposit Refundable?	No
Due Date of First Required Deposit	01/15/2021
Anticipated Size of the Next Entering Class	40
Size of Most Recent Entering Class	40
% of IN-STATE applicants accepted	45%
% of OUT-OF-STATE (non-resident) U.S. applicants accepted	55%
% Male	40%
% Female	60%

Admission Requirements

Supplemental FEE required?	No
Supplemental fee amount	\$0

Admission Requirements

Supplemental APPLICATION required?	No
Supplemental MATERIALS required?	Yes
Description of supplemental materials required	**Applicants invited for interviews will be given the supplemental materials to complete/submit at the time of their interview.**
Document upload requirements	Applicants who took two courses of combined Anatomy & Physiology at two different institutions must upload the syllabus for both courses (Anatomy & Physiology 1 and Anatomy & Physiology 2). You do NOT need to submit syllabi if: ...you took separate courses in Human Anatomy and Human Physiology -OR- ...you completed a two-course sequence of combined Anatomy & Physiology in the same department at the same institution
Is GRE Required?	Yes
Program's PTCAS GRE code	7639
Oldest GRE test date considered for this cycle	11/01/2016
Additional information about program's GRE requirements	Only GRE scores submitted via our program's PTCAS GRE reporting code (7639) will be considered. Official GRE scores must be received prior to the application deadline.
AVERAGE GRE Verbal reasoning scaled score	150
AVERAGE GRE Quantitative reasoning scaled score	150
AVERAGE GRE Analytical writing scaled score	4.0
Physical Therapist-1	Applicant must send one reference from this specific type of evaluator
Physical Therapist-2	Applicant must send one reference from this specific type of evaluator
Professor in Major	Applicant must send a reference from one or more evaluators in this category
Professor	Applicant must send a reference from one or more evaluators in this category
Academic	Applicant must send a reference from one or more evaluators in this category
Supervisor/Employer	Evaluator type not accepted
Teaching Assistant	Evaluator type not accepted
PTA	Evaluator type not accepted
Pre-PT Advisor	Applicant must send a reference from one or more evaluators in this category
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	3
Additional information about program's reference requirements	2 letters of recommendation must be from US-licensed physical therapists with whom the student has worked in a clinical setting, either on a volunteer or employment basis. A third letter must be from a professor or academic advisor.

Admission Requirements

Information about your PT requirements	A minimum of 60 hours of volunteer or work experience is required. This experience must be under the direction of licensed physical therapist, and experience from two different practice settings is recommended.
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	60
Paid	Accepted/Considered
Volunteer	Accepted/Considered
Inpatient	Accepted/Considered
Outpatient	Accepted/Considered
MINIMUM GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative	3.00
AVERAGE GPA Overall Undergraduate Cumulative	3.57
MINIMUM GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.00
AVERAGE GPA Program-specific prerequisite	3.53
Additional information about program's GPA requirements	When a prerequisite course is repeated, we will use both grades in calculating the prerequisite GPA.
Program considers Canadian coursework?	No
Program policy for non-U.S. (foreign/international) coursework	Do not send any foreign documentation. PT program only considers U.S. courses
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

Course Prerequisites

Bachelor's degree required prior to matriculation into PT program?	Yes
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://medicine.hsc.wvu.edu/pt/admissions/prerequisites-courses/

Anatomy

Separate Human Anatomy course with lab is preferred. A 2-semester, 8 credit sequence of combined Anatomy & Physiology is acceptable. Comparative, mammalian/animal, or vertebrate anatomy will not be accepted. It is recommended that the human anatomy prerequisite be completed within two years prior to admission. WVU course: EXPH 350 (or EXPH 440), or ATTR 219, or PALM 205 (or NBAN 205)

Course Level	Introductory
Lab Required	Recommended
Credits	SH: 3
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A&P: COMBINED Course (eg. A&P)• A&P: Human• A&P: SEPARATE courses

Biology I

WVU course: BIOL 101/103 or BIOL 115

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

Biology II

WVU course: BIOL 102/104 or BIOL 117

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

Chemistry I

WVU Course: CHEM 115

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

Chemistry II

WVU course: CHEM 116

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

Physics I

WVU course: PHYS 101

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

Physics II

WVU course: PHYS 102

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

Physiology

Separate Human Physiology course with lab is preferred. A 2-semester, 8 credit sequence of combined Anatomy & Physiology is acceptable. Comparative, mammalian/animal, or vertebrate physiology will not be accepted. It is recommended that the prerequisite course in human physiology be completed within two years prior to admission. WVU course: PSIO 241, or PSIO 441, or BIOL 235

Course Level	Introductory
Lab Required	Recommended
Credits	SH: 3
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A&P: COMBINED Course (eg. A&P)• A&P: Human• A&P: SEPARATE courses

Psychology

WVU course: PSYC 101

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

Psychology

A course in Developmental Psychology covering the human lifespan (WVU course: PSYC 241) is preferred. Courses in Abnormal and Social Psychology are accepted. Courses in Sports Psychology will not be accepted.

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

Statistics

WVU course: STAT 211 or ECON 225	
Course Level	Introductory
Lab Required	Not Required
Credits	SH: 3
Acceptable Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology: Biostatistics• Business: Statistics• Mathematics: Statistics• Psychology: Statistics

Deadlines

PT program start date for entering class	06/07/2021
Multiple start dates?	No
PTCAS application deadline	Nov 02 2020
Deadline Type	Firm
Program has rolling admissions process?	No
Important dates	<p>Only applications that are complete by the stated deadline will be considered.</p> <p>New student orientation for accepted students will be held on June 3 and 4, 2021. This orientation is mandatory for all accepted students.</p>

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