

Physical Therapy

Top Reasons to Get Your Degree Here:

- ⇒ The Department of Physical Therapy offers a professional entry-level Doctor of Physical Therapy program.
- ⇒ UAB is ranked among “America’s Best Hospitals” by *U.S. News & World Report*, and we are the only medical center in Alabama to make this prestigious list.
- ⇒ UAB is designated as a Doctoral/Research University-Extensive by the Carnegie Foundation, an honor given to less than 4% of the nation’s higher education institutions.
- ⇒ UAB Hospital is ranked among the top three in the United States in *The Best in Medicine*.
- ⇒ We have offered fully accredited Physical Therapy programs since 1964
- ⇒ The teaching and clinical facilities are state of the art.

Doctor of Physical Therapy



Interested students are encouraged to contact the PT program for more information at the address below or visit our website:

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Application Process

Application Procedure: This program participates in the Physical Therapist Centralized Application Service. Please consult the PTCAS website (www.PTCAS.org) for more information regarding specific PTCAS application requirements, procedures and fees. Please see the website for the PTCAS deadline.

Requirements for Admission: The applicant must hold a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university within the United States in a field other than physical therapy. The candidate is expected to satisfy the following requirements: 1) complete the PTCAS application by the deadline. 2) complete at least 40 hours of documented observation of physical therapy, 3) complete the GRE and have scores sent to PTCAS (must score minimum 3.5 on analytical writing section), 4) have a minimum 3.0 (A=4.0) overall , prerequisite and last 60 semester hours GPA. No prerequisite course lower than C will be accepted, 5) have at least 75% of prerequisite courses completed. 6) If invited, complete a personal interview with the Department of Physical Therapy faculty.

After Accepted: 1) complete the UAB Graduate School Application, 2) complete the UAB medical history questionnaire and physical, 3) provide proof of required immunizations, and receive satisfactory screening by the UAB Medical Center Student Health Service, 4) Send all official transcripts to the UAB Graduate School, 5) complete a criminal background check and drug screen as specified by the Dept. of PT. 6) receive a minimum grade of B in all remaining prerequisite courses.

Essential Requirements: Completion of this program does not automatically qualify one to practice Physical Therapy, as state law regulates the practice of Physical Therapy. For information on eligibility requirements, contact your state’s Board of Licensure for Physical Therapy. Fundamental tasks, behaviors and abilities that are necessary to successfully complete the academic and clinical requirements of the program and to satisfy licensure/certification requirements have been outlined and are available upon request from the program office. Students requesting disability accommodations must do so by filing a disability accommodation request in writing with the program office.

CURRICULUM

TERM I (Spring)

PT700	Human Gross Anatomy I	4
PT702	Functional Anatomy	3
PT730	Essentials of Human Physiology	3
PT711	PT Examination I	2
PT713	PT Intervention I	3
PT760	PT Professional Practice I	2
TOTAL		17

TERM II (Summer)

PT701	Human Gross Anatomy II	2
PT712	PT Examination II	3
PT720	Pathology & Pharmacology for Movement Dis.	3
PT731	Human Performance Physiology	3
PT770	Clinical Education I	1
PT790	Scientific Inquiry I	1
PT791	Scientific Inquiry II	1
TOTAL		14

TERM III (Fall)

PT706	Neuroscience I	4
PT704	Analysis of Human Movement	3
PT714	PT Intervention II	2
PT715	PT Intervention III	3
PT721	Pathology & Pharmacology for Movement Dis. II	3
PT771	Clinical Education II	2
PT792	Scientific Inquiry III	1
TOTAL		18

TERM IV (Spring)

PT707	Neuroscience II	3
PT705	Human Movement Dysfunction	4
PT740	PT Mgt. of Musculoskeletal Dysfunction I	5
PT772	Clinical Education III	2
PT798	Scholarly Activity Project	1
TOTAL		15

TERM V (Summer)

PT743	PT Management of Cardiopulmonary Dysfunction	3
PT744	PT Mgt. of Neuromuscular Dysfunction I	4
PT761	PT Professional Practice II	3
PT793	Scientific Inquiry IV	1
PT798	Scholarly Activity Project	1
TOTAL		12

TERM VI (Fall)

PT741	PT Management of Musculoskeletal Dysfunction II	5
PT746	PT Management of Neuromuscular Dysfunction II	4
PT762	PT Professional Practice III	3
PT799	Scholarly Activity Project	1
TOTAL		13

TERM VII (Spring)

PT763	PT Professional Practice IV	2
PT764	PT Professional Practice V	2
PT773	Clinical Education IV	8
TOTAL		12

TERM VIII (Summer)

PT774	Clinical Education V	9
TOTAL		9

TERM IX (Fall)

PT775	Clinical Education VI	9
TOTAL		9

Estimated Expenses 2013-2014¹

Semester Fees

In-State Tuition:

First Credit Hour per Semester:	\$664.00
Subsequent Credit Hours in Semester:	\$457.00

Out-Of-State Tuition:

First Credit Hour Per Semester:	\$1,281.00
Subsequent Credit Hours in Semester:	\$1,074.00

Additional Expenses:

Hospitalization Insurance ²	variable
Books/Supplies	variable
Medical History Review Fee	\$5
Parking (per semester)	variable
Diploma Fee	\$50

¹ Fees subject to change at the beginning of any term.

² Required of all students unless evidence is provided of current Hospitalization insurance.

Physical Therapy Program Prerequisites

English Composition	6	semester hours
Biology	12	semester hours
Human/Mammalian Physiology	4	semester hours
Chemistry (for Science Majors)	8	semester hours
Physics (for Science Majors)	8	semester hours
Pre-Calculus w/ Trig	3	semester hours
Psychology	6	semester hours
Statistics (MTH, PSY, SOC)	3	semester hours
Medical Terminology	2-3	semester hours

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This information represents what is current at the time of printing this publication and is subject to change. Applicants should contact their program at the School of Health Professions to verify the requirements for the year for which application to the professional phase will be made.

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