



Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT)

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Application Process

Applications are accepted through the Physical Therapist Centralized Application Service (PTCAS). Visit www.PTCAS.org for application deadline and information.

Requirements: 1) Baccalaureate degree in a field other than physical therapy, from a regionally accredited college or university in the U.S. 2) Complete PTCAS application 3) Min. of 40 hrs of documented observation of physical therapy 4) Send GRE scores to PTCAS (min. score of 3.5 on analytical writing section) 5) Min. 3.0 overall, prerequisite and last 60 sem. hours GPA (prerequisites lower than C are not accepted) 6) 75% of prerequisites must be completed 7) If invited, complete a personal interview with the Department of PT faculty.

Acceptance: 1) Complete UAB Graduate School Application 2) Complete UAB medical history questionnaire & physical 3) Provide proof of immunizations and satisfactory health screening by UAB Medical Center Student Health Service 4) Send official transcripts to UAB Graduate School 5) Complete criminal background check & drug screen 6) Receive min. grade of B in all remaining prerequisites 6) Create a profile in Certified Background, further instructions given upon acceptance.

Contact Information

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Prerequisite Courses

(UAB or other institution)

COURSES	SEM HRS
English Composition	6
Biology	12
Human/Mammalian Physiology	4
Chemistry (for Science Majors)	8
Physics (for Science Majors)	8
Pre-Calculus w/ Trig	3
Psychology	6
Statistics (MTH, PSY, SOC)	3
Medical Terminology	1-3

Estimated Expenses 2015-2016

(Subject to change at the beginning of any term)

TUITION (per semester credit hour)

GRADUATE

In-State(Alabama residents)	\$716 first credit hour/ \$493 subsequent
Out-of-State (non-residents)	\$1,380 first credit hour/ \$1,157 subsequent
Online Course Fee	\$250 per online course

ADDITIONAL FEES (In-State and Out-of-State students)

Parking	\$130
Graduation Fee	\$50
Professional Membership Fee	\$130
Background Check/Drug Screen	\$78
Major Medical Insurance*	required

* All students are required to have personal insurance coverage. For more information www.uab.edu/studenthealth/insurance-and-waivers/mandatory-insurance-waivers

For more information on tuition and fees, visit www.uab.edu/shp/home/admissions-tuition/tuition/tuition-fees

Program Curriculum

(Total Credit Hours - 119)

FIRST YEAR	SEM HRS
SPRING (17 Hours)	
PT 700 Human Gross Anatomy I	4
PT 702 Functional Anatomy	3
PT 730 Essentials in Human Physiology	3
PT 711 PT Examination I	2
PT 713 PT Intervention	3
PT 760 PT Professional Practice	2
SUMMER (17 Hours)	
PT 701 Human Gross Anatomy II	2
PT 712 PT Examination II	3
PT 720 Pathology & Pharmacology for Movement Disorders I	3
PT 731 Human Performance Physiology	3
PT 770 Clinical Education I	1
PT 790 Scientific Inquiry I	1
PT 791 Scientific Inquiry II	1
FALL (18 Hours)	
PT 704 Analysis of Human Movement	3
PT 706 Neuroscience I	4
PT 714 PT Intervention II	2
PT 715 PT Intervention III	3
PT 721 Pathology & Pharmacology for Movement Disorders II	3
PT 771 Clinical Education II	2
PT 792 Scientific Inquiry III	1
SECOND YEAR	
SPRING (15 Hours)	
PT 705 Human Movement Dysfunction	4
PT 707 Neuroscience II	3
PT 740 PT Management of Musculoskeletal Dysfunction I	5
PT 772 Clinical Education III	2
PT 798 Scholarly Activity Project	1
SUMMER (12 Hours)	
PT743 PT Management of Cardiovascular/ Pulmonary Dysfunction	3
PT 744 PT Management of Neuromuscular Dysfunction I	4
PT 761 PT Professional Practice II	3
PT 793 Scientific Inquiry IV	1
PT 798 Scholarly Activity Project	1
FALL (15 Hours)	
PT 741 PT Management of Musculoskeletal Dysfunction II	5
PT 746 PT Management of Neuromuscular Dysfunction II	4
PT 762 PT Professional Practice III	3
PT 799 Scholarly Activity Project	1
THIRD YEAR	
SPRING (12 Hours)	
PT 763 PT Professional Practice IV	2
PT 764 Professional Practice V	2
PT 773 Clinical Education IV	8
SUMMER (9 Hours)	
PT 774 Clinical Education V	9
FALL (9 Hours)	
PT 775 Clinical Education VI	9

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