PhD in Rehabilitation Science

This program prepares you to become a leader in teaching and research in the field of Rehabilitation Science. It is not a clinical training program.

• Here you will design and implement research studies.

• Here you will outline and deliver educational courses.

• Here you will translate innovative research into practice.

• Here you will become a scientist, a researcher, a scholar.

This is a unique interdisciplinary partnership between UAB’s Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy departments where you learn directly from world-renowned researchers in the field of Rehabilitation Science.

Application Process

Apply through the UAB Graduate School office by admission form or online at www.uab.edu/graduate/

Requirements:
1) Undergraduate or graduate degree in health related profession.
2) Recommended min. GRE score in 50th percentile for all categories.
3) Recommended min. GPA 3.0 in all coursework
4) Three evaluation references. at least one from a research lab mentor and one from an academic source submitted electronically through the Apply Yourself system or by mail to:
Elaine Satterfield
UAB Department of Occupational Therapy
SHPB 351, 1720 2nd Ave S Birmingham, AL 35294
5) Written essay, that provides evidence of appropriate goals of study, professional growth and commitment to research
6) Interview with faculty that shows passion and commitment to research and professional growth in Rehabilitation Science.

(If selected for admission, all full time students are eligible for funding that provides tuition, stipend, and student health insurance.)

Contact Information

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(Program Information)

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• Highly personalized training and career mentorship
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Program Curriculum
(Total credit hours: 57-75)

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REQUIRE OR FREE ELECTIVES (12–18 hours)
Electives are determined in conjunction with the graduate committee based on the student’s academic background, courses taken in a focus area, and proposed dissertation question. Courses are specifically selected to develop the expertise needed to complete the dissertation requirements. Courses may be in content areas such as neuropsychology, bioengineering, etc.

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Estimated Expenses 2015-2016
(Subject to change at the beginning of any term)

GRADUATE TUITION (per semester credit hour)
In-State (Alabama residents) $716 first credit hour/
$493 subsequent
Out-of-State (non-residents) $1,380 first credit hour/
$1,157 subsequent

ADDITIONAL FEES (In-State and Out-State students)
Online Course Fee $250 per online course
Parking $130
Graduation Fee $50
Background Check/Drug Screen $78
Major Medical Insurance* variable

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

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