

## Pre-Physical Therapy Planning Sheet, 2015-2016

University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

The University of Minnesota Physical Therapy Program offers a Professional Doctoral Physical Therapy degree (DPT) to competitive applicants. All prerequisites and an undergraduate degree must be completed before the student begins the professional program. Two prerequisites may be outstanding when the application is submitted. The professional program requires three years of study and includes both academic coursework and clinical internships.

***Other courses may fulfill our requirements – these are suggestions only.***

<b>Requirement</b>	<b>University of Minnesota courses that fulfill requirements (others may also be acceptable.)</b>			
	<b>Course</b>	<b>Semester course completed</b>	<b>Credit total</b>	<b>Grade</b>
<b>General Biology</b> Labs are required	Biol 1009 <b>OR</b> Biol 2002 <b>OR</b>			
<b>One Additional biology</b> Labs are required	Biol 2003 <b>OR</b> Biol 2012 <b>OR</b> Biol 2022 <b>OR</b> Biol 3411 <b>OR</b> MICB 3301 <b>OR</b> VBS 2032 any other cellular biology with a lab.			
<b>For BIOLOGY majors ONLY</b>	<b>Biol 2002 &amp; 2003/2004 series fulfills above two requirements</b>			
<b>Human Anatomy</b> Lab is recommended	Anat 3001 <b>OR</b> Anat 3611 (3612 lab) <b>OR</b> Anat 3601 (3602 lab)			
<b>Human Physiology</b>	Phsl 3051 <b>OR</b> Phsl 3061			
<b>Chemistry I</b> Lab required	Chem 1061 and 1065			
<b>Chemistry II</b> Lab required	Chem 1062 and 1066			
<b>Physics</b> Select one sequence Labs are required	Phys 1101W and 1102W <b>or</b> Phys 1201W and 1202W			
<b>General Psychology</b>	Psy 1001 <b>OR</b> EPSY 1281			
<b>Abnormal Psychology</b>	Psy 3604			
<b>Calculus</b> Pre-calculus is not acceptable.	Math 1142 <b>OR</b> Math 1271 <b>OR</b> Math 1281			
<b>Statistics</b> ANOVA & Regression content strongly recommended	Psy 3801 <b>OR</b> SCO 2550 <b>OR</b> Stats 3011 <b>OR</b> Stats 3022 <b>OR</b> PSTL 1004 <b>OR</b> SOC 3811/5811			
<b>Medical Terminology</b>	PHAR 1002 (IDL) <b>OR</b> CNES 1046 (Distance Learning – ODL)			
<b>Recommended: Orientation to Physical Therapy</b>	PT 1002			

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- Course requirements and prerequisites may change. Please consult with an adviser on a regular basis.
- If distance learning courses are taken from an accredited college or university for college credit there is no limit to the number of prerequisite courses that may be taken through distance learning.
- For all Advanced Placement (AP) courses on the transcript, a score must be entered on the application. This will be the score issued by the College Board. You must forward a copy of the College Board Report to the Admissions Coordinator to keep on file.

## **OTHER REQUIREMENTS**

1. Accepted applicants must complete their undergraduate degree and prerequisites by June 1 of the year of entry.
2. The program will consider resident and non-resident as well as international applicants.
3. An operational standard GPA of 3.00 for overall coursework and a 3.00 in the prerequisite coursework are the preferred minimum as indications of probable success in the Program.
4. It is highly recommended that all prerequisite science courses be taken no more than five years prior to application.
5. All prerequisites must be taken A-F, with a minimum acceptable grade of "C."
6. Students must submit the following upon application to the Physical Therapy Program:
  - Current official transcripts from all colleges and universities attended.
  - College Board Report when applicable.
  - Two letters of recommendation on forms provided. One recommendation must be from a physical therapist with whom the applicant completed a portion of the PT exposure hours.
  - Completion of at least 100 hours of shadowing, volunteer, or work experience in a variety of physical therapy settings is considered an important pre-requisite.
  - Official scores from the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) – general exam.
  - Students for whom English is a second language must submit TOEFL scores. Internet based minimum scores: 79 or above with section scores of 21 on writing and 19 on reading; paper based test – 550 or above.  
Call 612/624-9853 for information about GRE exams.
7. Information about the PT professional program can be obtained from:  
<http://www.physther.umn.edu>

**NOTE:** Minnesota law now requires that any person who has direct contact with patients and residents at hospitals, nursing homes, and other health care facilities licensed by the Minnesota Department of Health have a background study conducted by the state. Therefore, every student admitted to the program will be subject to a criminal background check.

## **HOW TO APPLY**

The Program in Physical Therapy application is completed online (choose "Apply Online" on the PT web page) and does not have an application fee. Only online PT applications are accepted. We use a ROLLING ADMISSIONS PROCESS. Each admission cycle runs from July 1 through March 31. However, priority is given to applications completed by February 1. Each application will be considered as it is received.

Students are required to submit an additional application to the Graduate School prior to final acceptance into the program. The Graduate School application can be completed online and has a \$75.00 processing fee (\$95.00 for international applicants). There is a link to the Graduate School application on the PT web page.

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