

PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT, A.S.

Begin Campus: DuBois, Fayette, Hazleton, Mont Alto, Shenango

End Campus: DuBois, Fayette, Hazleton, Mont Alto, Shenango

Program Description

This major helps prepare individuals to provide physical therapy services under the direction of a physical therapist in an ethical, safe and effective manner. Students develop knowledge and skills in data collection and the appropriate use of equipment and exercise associated with various physical therapy treatment modalities. In order to accomplish these tasks, the major utilizes a combination of basic science and non-science course work coupled with courses specifically designed for the physical therapist assistant student. Students must progress through the program as prescribed by the recommended academic plan for their campus of admission. The program culminates with a full semester of clinical experience.

The size of each entering class is limited so that optimal clinical experiences and practical application situations can be maintained. Clinical affiliations are maintained over a wide geographical area, and students may be required to make special housing and transportation arrangements for the clinical phase. Prior to the beginning of the clinical practicum, PTA students are required to complete clinical requirements that may include, but are not limited to: health examination, immunizations, FBI fingerprint check, child abuse clearance, state background check and drug screening. Students will be responsible for completion and purchase of the necessary checks/clearances through a University approved vendor and providing results to the clinical sites.

In addition to a PTA certification/licensure, many state licensing boards and clinical facilities require a criminal background check, child abuse clearance, and a drug screening. Students with criminal records should contact the physical therapy licensing board in the state they plan to practice prior to applying for admission to the PTA Program to inquire about potential restrictions for licensure.

What is a Physical Therapist Assistant?

Physical Therapist Assistants (PTAs) work as part of a team providing physical therapy services under the direction and supervision of a licensed physical therapist. PTAs implement interventions outlined in the physical therapist's plan of care, collect data related to interventions, and modify selected interventions to progress patients towards their individual goals. These goals are designed to reduce pain, restore function, improve mobility and prevent disability. An Associate in Science Degree in Physical Therapist Assistant requires 5-semesters of study, including three full-time clinical practicums. The PTA Program prepares graduates to take the national examination for certification/licensure as a PTA.

You Might Like This Program If...

You might like this major if you are interested in working with people of all ages who have health-related conditions that cause pain, limit their ability to move or perform functional activities in their daily lives. PTAs work under the direction and supervision of a licensed physical therapist to provide meaningful interventions, such as exercise, training for walking and other activities, and the use of physical agents and electrotherapy.

Entrance to Major

Students must request a Dean's review to change to this Associate degree after admission to the University.

Additional Information

In addition to a PTA certification/licensure, many state licensing boards and clinical facilities require a criminal background check, child abuse clearance, and a drug screening. PTA students are required to complete clinical requirements that may include FBI fingerprint check, child abuse clearance, state background check and drug screening prior to the beginning of the clinical practicum. Students will be responsible for completion and purchase of the necessary checks/clearances through a University approved vendor and providing results to the clinical sites. Students with criminal records should contact the physical therapy licensing board in the state they plan to practice prior to applying for admission to the PTA Program to inquire about potential restrictions for licensure.

Degree Requirements

For the Associate in Science degree in Physical Therapist Assistant, a minimum of 70 credits is required:

Requirement	Credits
General Education	21
Requirements for the Major	61

9-12 of the 21 credits for General Education are included in the Requirements for the Major. This includes: 3-6 credits of GWS courses; 3 credits of GN courses; 3-6 credits of GS courses.

General Education

Connecting career and curiosity, the General Education curriculum provides the opportunity for students to acquire transferable skills necessary to be successful in the future and to thrive while living in interconnected contexts. General Education aids students in developing intellectual curiosity, a strengthened ability to think, and a deeper sense of aesthetic appreciation. These are requirements for all baccalaureate students and are often partially incorporated into the requirements of a program. For additional information, see the General Education Requirements (<http://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/general-education/associate-degree-general-education-program/>) section of the Bulletin and consult your academic adviser.

Foundations (grade of C or better is required.)

- **Quantification (GQ):** 3 credits
- **Writing and Speaking (GWS):** 3 credits

Knowledge Domains

- **Arts (GA):** 3 credits
- **Humanities (GH):** 3 credits
- **Social and Behavioral Sciences (GS):** 3 credits
- **Natural Sciences (GN):** 3 credits

Foundations or Knowledge Domains

- **A General Education course selected from GWS, GQ, GN, GA, GH, or GS, and may include Integrative Studies (Inter-domain or Linked) courses:** 3 credits

The keystone symbol appears next to the title of any course that is designated as a General Education course. Program requirements may also satisfy General Education requirements and vary for each program.

University Degree Requirements

Cultures Requirement

3 credits of United States (US) or International (IL) cultures coursework are required and may satisfy other requirements

Writing Across the Curriculum

3 credits required from the college of graduation and likely prescribed as part of major requirements.

Total Minimum Credits

A minimum of 60 degree credits must be earned for an associates degree. The requirements for some programs may exceed 60 credits. Students should consult with their college or department adviser for information on specific credit requirements.

Quality of Work

Candidates must complete the degree requirements for their major and earn at least a 2.00 grade-point average for all courses completed within their degree program.

Limitations on Source and Time for Credit Acquisition

Credit used toward degree programs may need to be earned from a particular source or within time constraints (see Senate Policy 83-80 (<http://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/82-00-and-83-00-degree-requirements/#83-80>)). For more information, check the Suggested Academic Plan for your intended program.

Requirements for the Major

To graduate, a student enrolled in the major must earn a grade of C or better in each course designated by the major as a C-required course, as specified by Senate Policy 82-44 (<http://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/82-00-and-83-00-degree-requirements/#82-44>).

Code	Title	Credits
Prescribed Courses		
PSYCH 100	Introductory Psychology	3
<i>Prescribed Courses: Require a grade of C or better</i>		
BIOL 161	Human Anatomy and Physiology I - Lecture	3
BIOL 162	Human Anatomy and Physiology I - Laboratory	1
BIOL 163	Human Anatomy and Physiology II - Lecture	3
BIOL 164	Human Anatomy and Physiology II - Laboratory	1
ENGL 15	Rhetoric and Composition	3
PT 120	Human Musculature and Functional Anatomy	2
PT 150	Physical Therapist Assistant Procedures I	2
PT 160	Therapeutic Exercise I	3
PT 250	Physical Therapist Assistant-Procedures II	3
PT 260	Therapeutic Exercise-II	3
PT 285	Clinical Reasoning for the PTA	2
PT 290	Professional Issues in Clinical Practice	2
PT 384	Applied Kinesiology	3
PT 395E	Physical Therapist Assistant-Practicum I	3
PT 395F	Physical Therapist Assistant-Practicum II ¹	4
PT 395G	Physical Therapist Assistant-Practicum III ¹	4

Additional Courses

Select one of the following:		3
CAS 203	Interpersonal Communication	
ENGL 202C	Effective Writing: Technical Writing	
HDFS 129	Introduction to Human Development and Family Studies	
HDFS 229	Infant and Child Development	
PSYCH 212	Introduction to Developmental Psychology	
PSYCH 270	Introduction to Abnormal Psychology	
<i>Additional Courses: Require a grade of C or better</i>		
PT 100	Physical Therapist Assistant-Introduction	3
or PT 100S	Physical Therapist Assistant-Introduction	
Select one of the following:		5
PT 270	Pathophysiology	
PT 270W	Pathophysiology	
PT 271	Pathophysiology I	
& PT 272	and Pathophysiology II	
PT 271W	Pathophysiology I	
& PT 272	and Pathophysiology II	
Select one of the following:		5
PT 280	Rehabilitation	
PT 280W	Rehabilitation	
PT 281	Rehabilitation-1	
& PT 282	and Rehabilitation-2	
PT 281	Rehabilitation-1	
& PT 282W	and Rehabilitation-2W	

¹ Courses that include clinical education experiences may require the student to travel long distances or obtain housing near the assigned clinic. Housing and transportation arrangements are the responsibility of the student.

Academic Advising

The objectives of the university's academic advising program are to help advisees identify and achieve their academic goals, to promote their intellectual discovery, and to encourage students to take advantage of both in-and out-of class educational opportunities in order that they become self-directed learners and decision makers.

Both advisers and advisees share responsibility for making the advising relationship succeed. By encouraging their advisees to become engaged in their education, to meet their educational goals, and to develop the habit of learning, advisers assume a significant educational role. The advisee's unit of enrollment will provide each advisee with a primary academic adviser, the information needed to plan the chosen program of study, and referrals to other specialized resources.

READ SENATE POLICY 32-00: ADVISING POLICY (<https://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/32-00-advising-policy/>)

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Suggested Academic Plan

The suggested academic plan(s) listed on this page are the plan(s) that are in effect during the 2021-22 academic year. To access previous years' suggested academic plans, please visit the archive (<https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/archive/>) to view the appropriate Undergraduate Bulletin edition (*Note: the archive only contain suggested academic plans beginning with the 2018-19 edition of the Undergraduate Bulletin*).

Physical Therapist Assistant, A.S. at DuBois Campus

The course series listed below provides **only one** of the many possible ways to move through this curriculum. The University may make changes in policies, procedures, educational offerings, and requirements at any time. This plan should be used in conjunction with your degree audit (accessible in LionPATH as either an **Academic Requirements** or **What If** report). Please consult with a Penn State academic adviser on a regular basis to develop and refine an academic plan that is appropriate for you.

First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
ENGL 15 [‡]	3 PT 100S [*]	3
BIOL 161 [#]	3 PT 120 [*]	2
BIOL 162 [#]	1 PT 384 [*]	3
PSYCH 100	3 BIOL 163 ^{*†}	3

General Education Course - Arts, Humanities or Quantitative [‡]	3 BIOL 164 ^{*†}	1	
General Education Course [‡]	3 General Education Course [‡]	3	
	16	15	
Second Year			
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits Summer	Credits
PT 150 [*]	2 PT 250 [*]	3 PT 395F [*]	4
PT 160 [*]	3 PT 395E [*]	3 PT 395G [*]	4
PT 271W [*]	3 PT 260 [*]	3	
PT 272 [*]	2 PT 282 [*]	3	
PT 290 [*]	2 PT 285 [*]	2	
PT 281 [*]	2 PSYCH 212 [*]	3	
	14	17	8

Total Credits 70

- * Course requires a grade of C or better for the major
- ‡ Course requires a grade of C or better for General Education
- # Course is an Entrance to Major requirement
- † Course satisfies General Education and degree requirement

University Requirements and General Education Notes:

US and IL are abbreviations used to designate courses that satisfy University Requirements (United States and International Cultures).

W, M, X, and Y are the suffixes at the end of a course number used to designate courses that satisfy University Writing Across the Curriculum requirement.

GWS, GQ, GN, GA, GH, and GS are abbreviations used to identify General Education program courses. General Education includes Foundations (GWS and GQ) and Knowledge Domains (GN, GA, GH, and GS). Foundations courses (GWS and GQ) require a grade of 'C' or better.

Program Notes:

- BIOL 161 and BIOL 162 require a B or better.
- All students are required to be currently certified in CPR for participation in PT 395E, PT 395F, and PT 395G. Students may attain the certification through KINES 13, which can be taken any semester.

Physical Therapist Assistant, A.S. at Fayette Campus

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First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits	
BIOL 161 (GN)*	3 BIOL 163 (GN)*	3	
BIOL 162 (GN)*	1 BIOL 164 (GN)*	1	
PT 100*	3 PSYCH 100 (GS) [†]	3	
PT 120*	2 PT 384*	3	
ENGL 15 (GWS) [‡]	3 General Education Course (GH or GA)	3	
Quantification (GQ) (MATH 37 suggested) [‡]	3 General Education Course (GH or GA); US/IL Recommended	3	
PSU 8	1		
	16	16	

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits Summer	Credits
PT 150*	2 PT 201 (suggested elective course but not required)	1 PT 395F*	4
PT 160*	3 PT 260*	3 PT 395G*	4
PT 250*	3 PT 272*	2	
PT 271*	3 PT 282W*	3	
PT 281*	2 PT 285*	2	
PT 290*	2 CAS 203, ENGL 202C, HDFS 129, HDFS 229, PSYCH 212, or PSYCH 270 [†]	3	
	PT 395E*	3	
	15	17	8

Total Credits 72

- * Course requires a grade of C or better for the major
- ‡ Course requires a grade of C or better for General Education
- # Course is an Entrance to Major requirement
- † Course satisfies General Education and degree requirement

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Academic Advising Notes:

A student's career/graduate school plans should be considered in developing an individual academic plan. Be sure to consult an adviser in this department when scheduling courses.

Physical Therapist Assistant, A.S. at Hazleton Campus

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First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits	
BIOL 161 ^{††}	3 BIOL 163 [*]	3	
BIOL 162 ^{††}	1 BIOL 164 [*]	1	
ENGL 15 or 30H [‡]	3 General Education Course	3	
PSYCH 100 [†]	3 PT 120 [*]	2	
PT 100 ^{*4}	3 General Education Course	3	
General Education Course	3		
	16	12	

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits Summer	Credits
PT 150 [*]	2 PT 250 [*]	3 PT 395F ^{*3}	4
PT 160 [*]	3 PT 260 [*]	3 PT 395G ^{*3}	4
PT 270 [*]	5 PT 280 ^{*2}	5	
PT 290 [*]	2 PT 285 [*]	2	
PT 384 [*]	3 ENGL 202C, PSYCH 212, CAS 203, PSYCH 270, or HDFS 229 [†]	3	
PT 395E [*]	3		
	18	16	8

Total Credits 70

- * Course requires a grade of C or better for the major
- ‡ Course requires a grade of C or better for General Education
- # Course is an Entrance to Major requirement
- † Course satisfies General Education and degree requirement

- ¹ This course satisfies the University United States/International Cultures requirement.
- ² This course satisfies the University Writing Across the Curriculum requirement. The clinical practicum component of this course is a three week full-time experience in a physical therapy practice setting.
- ³ This is a six week clinical practicum that is a full-time experience in a physical therapy practice setting.
- ⁴ PT 100 will be offered in the spring.

University Requirements and General Education Notes:

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Program Notes:

Students are required to take a total of 3 credits in ARTS and 3 credits in HUM during the first 2 semesters.

KINES 13 is optional, student must be certified in Professional Rescuer, CPR, and First Aid.

Students are allowed to attend graduation ceremonies, but officially do not receive diploma until August, upon successful completion of their summer practicums.

A student's career/graduate school plans should be considered in developing an individual academic plan. Be sure to consult an adviser in this department when scheduling courses.

Physical Therapist Assistant, A.S. at Mont Alto Campus

The course series listed below provides **only one** of the many possible ways to move through this curriculum. The University may make changes in policies, procedures, educational offerings, and requirements at any time. This plan should be used in conjunction with your degree audit (accessible in LionPATH as either an **Academic Requirements** or **What If** report). Please consult with a Penn State academic adviser on a regular basis to develop and refine an academic plan that is appropriate for you.

First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
PT 100S ^{*1}	3 PT 120 [*]	2
BIOL 161 (GN) ^{*†}	3 PT 384 [*]	3
BIOL 162 (GN) ^{*†}	1 BIOL 163 (GN) [*]	3
ENGL 15 or 30H (GWS) [‡]	3 BIOL 164 (GN) [*]	1
PSYCH 100 (GS) [†]	3 General Education Course (GQ) [‡]	3
PSU 8 ⁸	1 General Education Course (GH or GA); US/IL recommended	3
General Education Course (GH or GA); US/IL recommended	3	

16-17

15

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits Summer	Credits
PT 150 [*]	2 PT 250 [*]	3 PT 395F ^{*5}	4
PT 160 [*]	3 PT 260 [*]	3 PT 395G ^{*6}	4
PT 271W ^{*2}	3 PT 272 [*]	2	
PT 281 [*]	2 PT 282 [*]	3	
PT 290 [*]	2 PT 285 [*]	2	
PT 395E ^{*3}	3 ENGL 202C, PSYCH 212, CAS 203, HDFS 129, HDFS 229, or PSYCH 270 ⁴	3	
	15	16	8

Total Credits 70-71

- * Course requires a grade of C or better for the major
- ‡ Course requires a grade of C or better for General Education
- # Course is an Entrance to Major requirement
- † Course satisfies General Education and degree requirement

¹ PT 100 - Students are required to complete eight observation hours at two different clinical facilities in preparation for this course. See <https://montalto.psu.edu/academics/degrees/associate-physical-therapist-assistant/observation> (<https://montalto.psu.edu/academics/degrees/associate-physical-therapist-assistant/observation/>) for more information.

- ² PT 271W - This course satisfies the University Writing Across the Curriculum requirement.
- ³ PT 395E - This is a three-week clinical practicum in that is a full-time experience in a physical therapy practice setting.
- ⁴ ENGL 202C, PSYCH 212, HDFS 129, HDFS 229, PSYCH 270 - Students will select ONE of the following: ENGL 202C - Technical Writing (requires 4th semester standing), Psychology 212 Introduction to Developmental Psychology, HDFS 129 Introduction to Human Development and Family Studies, HDFS 229 - Infant and Child Development, or PSYCH 270 - Introduction to Abnormal Psychology. Not all of these courses are offered each semester at the Mont Alto campus.
- ⁵ PT 395F - This is a six-week clinical practicum that is a full-time experience in a physical therapy practice setting.
- ⁶ PT 395G - This is a six-week clinical practicum that is a full-time experience in a physical therapy practice setting.
- ⁷ Either GA or GH must satisfy US/IL requirements.
- ⁸ Required of students entering their first year of college only. Not required for students who are transferring credits from other institutions or are re-enrolling at Penn State.

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Advising Notes:

All students are required to be currently certified in CPR for participation in PT 395E, PT 395F, and PT 395G. Students may attain the certification through KINES 13, which can be taken any semester.

Physical Therapist Assistant, A.S. at Shenango Campus

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First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
Art (GA)	3 BIOL 163*	3
BIOL 161*	3 BIOL 164*	1
BIOL 162*	1 Humanities (GH)	3
ENGL 15 (GWS) ^{*†‡}	3 PT 120*	2
PSYCH 100 (GS) [†]	3 PT 384*	3
PT 100*	3 Quantification (GQ) ^{*‡}	3
	16	15

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits Summer	Credits
PT 150*	2 PT 250*	3 PT 395F*	4
PT 160*	3 PT 260*	3 PT 395G*	4
PT 270W*	5 PT 280*	5	
PT 290*	2 PT 285*	2	
ENGL 202C, CAS 203, PSYCH 212, PSYCH 270, HDFS 129, or HDFS 229 (GS) [†]	3 PT 395E*	3	
	15	16	8

Total Credits 70

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Program Notes:

Students must complete a 3-credit course in "United States Cultures (US)" or a 3-credit course in "International Cultures (IL)."

Healthcare Providers CPR is required for clinical rotations.

Career Paths

The Physical Therapist Assistant program prepares its graduates for positions in many traditional and non-traditional career settings and for opportunities to further their educations in a variety of fields.

Careers

Physical Therapist Assistants provide services to patients of all ages and health conditions many settings, including outpatient clinics, hospitals, inpatient rehabilitation facilities, extended care or sub-acute facilities, home, education or research centers, schools, occupational environments, fitness centers and sports training facilities. All states in the US require PTAs to have graduated from a CAPTE-accredited program and have obtained state licensure. Students seeking licensure as a PTA must apply to the licensing authority of the jurisdiction (state) in which the graduate is seeking licensure and then register for the National Physical Therapy Examination for PTAs administered by the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT PT/PTA CAREERS (<http://www.apta.org/Careers/>)

BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS OCCUPATIONAL OUTLOOK HANDBOOK IN HEALTHCARE (<https://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/physical-therapist-assistants-and-aides.htm>)

Opportunities for Graduate Studies

Many students choose to continue their education at Penn State after completing their AS degree in PTA by completing and complete bachelor's degrees in a variety of disciplines, including: Rehabilitation and Human Services; Letters, Arts and Sciences; Human Development and Family Studies; Health Policy Administration; Psychology; or other related field of study. Advisers assist interested students in completing bachelor's degrees and meeting prerequisite qualifications to apply for doctoral degrees in physical therapy (DPT) or other field of graduate study.

Professional Resources

- American Physical Therapy Association (<http://www.apta.org>)
- Pennsylvania Physical Therapy Association (<http://www.ppta.org/>)
- Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (<http://www.fsbpt.org/>)

Accreditation

The Associate of Science degree in Physical Therapist Assistant at Penn State is accredited by the:

Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE)
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Graduation from a physical therapist assistant education program accredited by CAPTE is necessary for eligibility to sit for the licensure examination, which is required in all states.

Accreditation by Campus

Penn State DuBois

The Physical Therapist Assistant Program at Penn State DuBois is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE), 3030 Potomac Ave., Suite 100, Alexandria, VA 22305-3085, 703-706-3245, accreditation@apta.org.

Penn State Fayette

The Physical Therapist Assistant Program at Penn State Fayette, The Eberly Campus is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE), 3030 Potomac Ave., Suite 100, Alexandria, VA 22305-3085, 703-706-3245, accreditation@apta.org.

Penn State Hazleton

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Penn State Mont Alto

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Penn State Shenango

The Physical Therapist Assistant Program at Penn State Shenango is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE), 3030 Potomac Ave., Suite 100, Alexandria, VA 22305-3085, 703-706-3245, accreditation@apta.org.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION IN PHYSICAL THERAPY EDUCATION (<https://www.capteonline.org/>)

Professional Licensure/Certification

Many U.S. states and territories require professional licensure/certification to be employed. If you plan to pursue employment in a licensed profession after completing this program, please visit the Professional Licensure/Certification Disclosures by State (<https://psu.edu/state-licensure-disclosures/>) interactive map.

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