

GUIDED PATHWAY

The following sequence is the suggested pathway to complete the degree in two years. This sequence is based on satisfaction of all basic skills requirements and prerequisites and presumes a fall start date. An individual's program may vary depending on transfer institution, career objectives, or individual needs. See your academic advisor for other options and to monitor your progress.

Program Name: Physical Therapist Assistant, AAS

Program Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs):

1. Graduates will demonstrate the safe and effective application and modification of appropriate treatment techniques established within the plan of care developed by the licensed Physical Therapist (PT). (3, 5, 6)
2. Graduates will demonstrate effective communication, critical thinking and planning skills necessary to work in the field of PT. (1, 2, 3)
3. Graduates will demonstrate proficiency in teaching patients, co-workers, family, classmates and community about physical therapy. (1, 2, 4)
4. Graduates will demonstrate their ability to contribute as a functional team member within the PT profession, the healthcare team and society. (1, 2, 5)
5. Graduates will demonstrate the skills and attitudes necessary for life-long learning, including involvement in APTA and state chapters. (2, 3)
6. Graduates will demonstrate safe, effective, moral, ethical and legal behaviors within the scope of physical therapy. (1, 2, 5)
7. Graduates will demonstrate their role in the delivery of physical therapy. (3, 4, 5, 6)
8. Graduates will demonstrate traits that enhance active patient involvement. (1, 2, 4)
9. Graduates will identify and appreciate cultural diversity and will behave accordingly. (2, 4)
10. Graduates will behave according to the APTA <i>Guide for Conduct for Physical Therapist Assistants</i> and promote the practice of physical therapy through community and state involvement. (2, 4)
11. Graduates will interact toward others (doctors, nurses, co-workers, patients, customers) with honesty, openness, sincerity and compassion. (2, 3)
12. Graduates will support the practice of physical therapy through a commitment to community, chapter and life-long learning. (5, 6)

Program prerequisite(s):

Course– Asterisk (*) indicates required program courses	AGEC course?	Terms**	Credits
BIO 100*	Yes	F, SP, SU	4

First Semester: Fall

BIO 201 *		F, SP, SU	4
ENG 101 *	Yes	F, SP, SU	3
PTA 101 *		F	3
PTA 103 *		F	4
PTA 200 *		F	4

Second Semester: Spring

BIO 202 *		F, SP, SU	4
PTA 202 *		SP	5
PTA 203 *		SP	3
PTA 205 *		SP	2
PTA 214 *		SP	3
PTA 215 *		SP	1

Third Semester: Summer

PTA 206 *		SU	4
PTA 217 *		SU	2
CIS 110 *	Yes	F, SP, SU	3

Fourth Semester: Fall

COM 121	Yes	F, SP	3
PSY 101 *	Yes	F, SP, SU	3
PTA 208 *		F	5
PTA 210 *		F	4
PTA 230 *		F	3

Fifth Semester: Spring

PTA 280 *		SP	6
PTA 290 *		SP	6

Key:

SP= Spring

F= Fall

SU= Summer

1. Aesthetic Sensibilities: An awareness of creative expression in the world around us.
2. Communication Skills: The ability to effectively convey meaning through various media on both personal and professional levels.
3. Critical Thinking Skills and Problem-Solving: The ability to analyze data and arrive at logical and defensible conclusions.
4. Cultural Diversity and Global Awareness: An appreciation of relationships and differences in values, customs, and norms of diverse global communities.
5. Techniques of Inquiry: Use of standardized methodological framework to collect, analyze, interpret, and present findings.
6. Technological Competency: A proficiency in evolving technology to compete and flourish in society.

Total credits**79**

All general education courses that are co-requisites can be completed prior to admission to the PTA program. These courses include BIO 201, BIO 202, ENG 101, COM 121 or 151, PSY 101 and CIS 110.

**terms not guaranteed