

# PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT

(CIP 51.0806)

## Associate of Applied Science

The Physical Therapist Assistant program is designed to prepare students in the skills needed to effectively assist physical therapists while working under their supervision. The program includes study in anatomy and physiology, social science, technical physical therapy courses, and practical experience in area health care facilities. Upon successful completion of the 21-month program, graduates are awarded an Associate of Applied Science degree and are eligible to take the national licensing examination.

The Physical Therapist Assistant Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE).

**Required General Education Courses:** Preference given during the selection process for courses completed with a grade of "C" or higher.

BIOL 2401      Anatomy & Physiology I  
BIOL 2402      Anatomy & Physiology II  
ENGL 1301      Composition I  
PSYC 2314      Lifespan Growth & Development  
MATH 1314      College Algebra

Humanities/Fine Arts from the AAS General Education Course List

### Semester I

PTHA 1409      Introduction to Physical  
                        Therapy  
PTHA 1413      Functional Anatomy

### Semester II

PTHA 2301      Essentials of Data Collection  
PTHA 1531      Physical Agents  
PTHA 2409      Therapeutic Exercise

### Semester III

PTHA 2205      Neurology

### Semester IV

PTHA 1360      Clinical – Physical Therapist  
                        Assistant

### Semester V

PTHA 1321      Pathophysiology for the PTA  
PTHA 2431      Management of Neurological  
                        Disorders  
PTHA 2435      Rehabilitation Techniques

### Semester VI

PTHA 2360      Clinical – Physical Therapist  
                        Assistant  
PTHA 2460      Clinical – Physical Therapist  
                        Assistant  
PTHA 2339      Professional Issues  
                        (Capstone Course)

**Total Semester Hours – 66**