



Course Information

Course Title	Clinical-Physical Therapist Assistant I
Course Prefix, Num. and Title	PTHA 1360
Division	Allied Health
Department	Physical Therapy Asst.
Course Type	WECM Course
Course Catalog Description	A health-related work-based learning experience that enables the student to apply specialized occupational theory, skills, and concepts. Direct supervision is provided by the clinical professional
Pre-Requisites	PTHA 2205. (Offered summer I session to first year PTA students)
Co-Requisites	Enter Co-Requisites Here.

Semester Credit Hours

Total Semester Credit Hours (SCH): Lecture Hours:	3:0:15
Lab/Other Hours	
Equated Pay Hours	3
Lab/Other Hours Breakdown: Lab Hours	0
Lab/Other Hours Breakdown: Clinical Hours	15
Lab/Other Hours Breakdown: Practicum Hours	0
Other Hours Breakdown	0

Approval Signatures

Title	Signature	Date
Prepared by:		
Department Head:		
Division Chair:		
Dean/VPI:		
Approved by CIR:		

Additional Course Information

Topical Outline: Each offering of this course must include the following topics (be sure to include information regarding lab, practicum, and clinical or other non-lecture instruction).

SECTION I: PROFESSIONAL BEHAVIORS

1. Professionalism
2. Commitment to learning
3. Interpersonal Skills
4. Communication
5. Effective Use of Time and Resources
6. Use of Constructive Feedback
7. Problem Solving
8. Clinical Decision Making
9. Responsibility
10. Stress Management
11. Colleague or Community Education

SECTION II: DATA COLLECTION

12. Patient History & Chart Review
13. Implementation of Plan of Care
14. Modification within the Plan of Care
15. Patient Related Education
16. Discharge Planning

SECTION III: INTERVENTIONS INPATIENT/CLIENT MANAGEMENT

17. Therapeutic Exercise
 - 17.1 Aerobic Exercises
 - 17.2 Balance Activities
 - 17.3 Coordination Activities
 - 17.4 Breathing Activities
 - 17.5 Inhibition/Facilitation
 - 17.6 Relaxation
 - 17.7 Manual Strengthening
 - 17.8 Mechanical Strengthening
 - 17.9 Motor Development Training
 - 17.10 Posture Awareness
 - 17.11 Range of Motion
 - 17.12 Stretching

18. Functional Training (ADL's)
 - 18.1 Adaptive Device Training
 - 18.2 Bed Mobility
 - 18.3 Body Mechanics Training
 - 18.4 Gait
 - 18.5 Tilt Table
 - 18.6 Transfers
 - 18.7 Wheelchair Mobility

19. Manual Therapy

- 19.1 Passive Range of Motion
- 19.2 Therapeutic Massage
- 19.3 Joint Mobilization

20. Biophysical Agents

- 20.1 Biofeedback
- 20.2 Continuous Passive Motion
- 20.3 Cryotherapy
- 20.4 Electrotherapeutic Modalities
- 20.5 Hydrotherapy
- 20.6 Compression Therapies
- 20.7 Superficial Thermal
- 20.8 Deep Thermal
- 20.9 Traction
- 20.10 Light Therapies

Section IV: Tests and Measures

21. Test and Measures

- 21.1 Anthropometric Measurements for Edema
- 21.2 Arousal/Mentation
- 21.3 Assistive Technology
- 21.4 Gait, Locomotion, and Balance
- 21.5 Functional Outcome Assessments
- 21.6 Skin Integrity
- 21.7 Joint Integrity and Mobility
- 21.8 Muscle Performance: Strength, Power, and Endurance
- 21.9 Neuromotor Function
- 21.10 Range of Motion
- 21.11 Self-Care/Home Management
- 21.12 Sensation/Pain Response
- 21.13 Ventilation, Respiration, and Circulation
- 21.14 Aerobic Capacity and Endurance

SECTION V: HEALTHCARE ENVIRONMENT

- 22. Safety
- 23. Interprofessional Practice
- 24. Documentation
- 25. Billing and Payment
- 26. Quality Assurance/Performance Improvement

SECTION VI: SITE SPECIFIC SKILLS

- 27. Airway Clearance
- 28. Amputation and Prosthetic Management
- 29. Aquatic Therapy
- 30. Environmental Barriers
- 31. Ergonomic Assessment/Work Conditioning
- 32. Orthotic/Supportive/Protective Device Management
- 33. Preventive/Wellness/Screening
- 34. Wound Management
- 35. Site Specific

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Course Learning Outcomes:

Learning Outcomes – Upon successful completion of this course, students will:

As outlined in the learning plan, apply the theory, concepts, and skills involving specialized materials, tools, equipment, procedures, regulations, laws, and interactions within and among political, economic, environmental, social, and legal systems associated with the occupation and the business/industry and will demonstrate legal and ethical behavior, safety practices, interpersonal and teamwork skills, and appropriate written and verbal communication skills using the terminology of the occupation and the business/industry.

Methods of Assessment:

Demonstrate entry level performance on Skills
1-11, 22, and demonstrate progress on all listed skills
In-service Presentation
Progress Notes
Self-Assessment
First Week Assignment
Clinic Journal

Required text(s), optional text(s) and/or materials to be supplied by the student:

PTA MACS
Pocket Notes for the Physical Therapist Assistant, Skinner, B. Steven; Hurley, Christina

Suggested Course Maximum:

16

List any specific or physical requirements beyond a typical classroom required to teach the course.

Clinical experience only; in hospitals, outpatient clinics, rehab centers, long term care facilities, school settings, home health settings and sports medicine facilities.

Course Requirements/Grading System: Describe any course specific requirements such as research papers or reading assignments and the generalized grading format for the course.

Students are required to complete a 6 week fulltime (40 hours per week) clinical affiliation.

70% - will account for establishing entry-level performance on critical skills #1-12 and demonstrating progress towards entry level by completing as many of the skills listed as objectives for Clinical I.

10% - In-service presentation

05% - Progress Notes

05% - Self-Assessment

05% - First Week Assignment

05% - Clinic Journal

A= 90 – 100

B= 80 – 89

C= 75 – 79

D = 70-74

Curriculum Checklist:

- Administrative General Education Course** (from ACGM, but not in WCJC Core) – No additional documents needed.
- Administrative WCJC Core Course.** Attach the Core Curriculum Review Forms
 - Critical Thinking
 - Communication
 - Empirical & Quantitative Skills
 - Teamwork
 - Social Responsibility
 - Personal Responsibility
- WECM Course** -If needed, revise the Program SCANS Matrix and Competencies Checklist