

General Information about the DPT at Hunter College

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About the Physical Therapy

Profession: Physical therapists, as essential members of the health care team, address health maintenance and the prevention of disabilities, the identification and assessment of impaired motor function and rehabilitation toward optimal health and function. The physical therapist provides therapeutic services to individuals of all ages with musculoskeletal, neurological, sensorimotor, cardiovascular, and other physiological dysfunctions. Physical therapists may be employed in hospitals and extended care facilities, ambulatory clinics, school systems and sports medicine centers. They may also be self-employed professionals in private practice.

About the DPT at Hunter:

The Program is an entry-level post-baccalaureate clinical doctorate (DPT) degree curriculum. The Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education of the American Physical Therapy Association has granted this program Full Accreditation status through 2016. A recent re-accreditation site visit was extremely positive. The program has been accredited since 1971.

Alumni from our past undergraduate, MPT and DPT programs have achieved a passing rate on the National Licensing Examination equal to or above the national average. The full-time faculty are active in many facets of the Physical Therapy Profession. All faculty members are engaged in research and/or publishing in peer-reviewed journals. Faculty members have an average

of 14 years of teaching experience and over 18 years of clinical experience. All faculty members hold doctoral degrees.

For detailed information about this curriculum, open house dates, etc., please go to our website listed above.

Application processing occurs every Fall semester for admission in the following June.

Students will enter the DPT Physical Therapy Program in the summer semester; the program is designed for full-time study during the day.

The Hunter College Graduate Admissions Office

will administer your application for June 2013 admission. The application will be available on-line at <http://www.hunter.cuny.edu/graduateadmissions> on or about August 15, 2012.

Applying to the Hunter College DPT Program for June 2013

IMPORTANT NOTICE: The Doctor of Physical Therapy Program currently operates via a consortium arrangement among the Graduate Center of CUNY (the -granting institution) and the College of Staten Island and Hunter College campus programs. We are beginning a transition whereby the College of Staten Island and Hunter College will each assume degree-granting authority.

Pending approval by the New York State Education Department, the first step in the transition will take place at Hunter College. Hunter College will be the degree-granting institution for Doctor of Physical Therapy students enrolled in the Class of 2016 (beginning June 2013) at the Hunter College campus. The second step of the transition will occur when College of Staten Island assumes degree-granting authority for students applying for admission to the Class of 2017 (beginning Fall 2014). Students interested in enrolling to the College of Staten Island campus should go to the Graduate Center website for more information.

The deadline for submitting your application online to Hunter College is December 1, 2012.

PLEASE NOTE: THE PRE-REQUISITE COURSES, GRE REQUIREMENT, CPR REQUIREMENT, AND CLINICAL EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS HAVE NOT CHANGED FOR APPLICATION TO THE DOCTOR OF PHYSICAL THERAPY.

Admission Requirements

1. Applicants must have completed a bachelor's degree (BA or BS) from an accredited four-year institution by the end of the spring semester prior to entry. You are not required to be a graduate of Hunter College to apply to this program. If you have taken courses in a non-accredited institution and/or you have taken courses outside of the U.S., these courses will not be accepted as equivalent to Hunter College courses, and will not be accepted as helping to meet the number of credits required for earning a bachelor's degree or as counting toward our prerequisites. Even if another U.S. college accepts those credits, we will not. For example, if you have taken 30 credits abroad or in the U.S. within a non-accredited institution, these credits will not be accepted as meeting the minimum of 120 credits to have earned a bachelor's degree, even if you were granted a bachelor's degree by another college in the U.S. Be sure the credentials you are paying for are valid elsewhere.

We require an undergraduate grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or above. If a course is repeated, both grades are used in GPA calculation.

2. Two semesters of Anatomy & Physiology, with lab (e.g., Anatomy & Physiology; Biol 120, 122)
3. Two semesters of physics for science majors, with lab (e.g., General Physics; Phys 110 & 120)
4. Two semesters of chemistry for science majors, with lab (e.g., Chem 102, 104 & 106 (which is lab for Chem 102 & 104))
5. One semester of college level mathematics (e.g., Math 125, Precalculus: If you are taking this course at Hunter, you may email [nmoy@hunter.cuny.edu] to request registering for MATH 125 without the MATH 126 corequisite.)
6. Two semesters of psychology. We recommend, but do not require, one semester of developmental or child psychology.
7. One semester of statistics (e.g., Stat. 113 or Statistics for Psychology majors)
8. One semester of English composition (e.g., Eng 120 (Expository Writing) or its equivalent.

9. Basic Life Support by the American Heart Association (212-878-5900, www.americanheart.org) **OR** Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Certification by the Red Cross (212-787-1000, www.nyredcross.org). An advantage of taking CPR through the American Heart Association is renewal every two years, **not annually**. You must submit a copy of your CPR card to the Physical Therapy Program at the address above.

10. Two letters of recommendation. We suggest at least one be written by a physical therapist. The second letter can be from a college faculty member. Formal letters of recommendation attached to a completed clinical experience form will be considered one letter of recommendation plus documentation required of the clinical experience.

11. Documented clinical experience of at least **100** hours in the United States under the supervision of a licensed physical therapist, with a minimum of 50 hours in a hospital-based or rehabilitation setting. See documented experience for additional information on submitting a Clinical Experience requirement. You cannot complete all of your clinical experience in a private practice! The most common error made by applicants is not fully meeting this requirement by **December 1st**.

12. Filing of the Hunter College Graduate Admissions Online Application. The online application becomes available approximately August 15th. You can use this link to access the application:

<http://www.hunter.cuny.edu/graduateadmissions>.

The deadline for all application materials is DECEMBER 1ST, including transcripts and all clinical experience form(s). Apply early! Payment of the application fee is required.

13. **The GRE is required and scores must be forwarded to the Hunter College Graduate Admissions Office (Code # 2301).**

We do accept scores from the previous version of the GRE (before the Fall of 2011). If you are first taking the exam this fall, be sure to indicate when you have taken the GRE's and be sure we get the scores sent to the Admissions Office ASAP. We do not have a specific cutoff score for being considered for admission. For information on the GRE, go to www.gre.org

14. Applicants invited for interviews will write an essay about a topic chosen by the DPT faculty on the day of the interview.

15. The TOEFL examination is required for applicants who have not earned a bachelor's degree in an English-speaking country. We expect a score of at least 550 on the paper based; 79-80 on the Internet based; and 213 on the computer-based examination. Contact the Educational Testing Service, Princeton, New Jersey for information about taking this examination 609-771-7100 or www.toefl.org.



The bachelor's degree requirement for entry is based upon the CAPTE criteria which mandates that physical therapy programs are "...built on a balance of course work in social sciences, humanities, and natural sciences, which is appropriate in depth and breadth, to develop the ability in students to think independently, to weight values, to understand fundamental theory, and to develop skill for clinical practice, including critical thinking and communication."

More Admission Information

Meeting the minimum requirements does not guarantee acceptance to the program, which is based, by necessity, on the limitations of space and resources. The Hunter College Physical Therapy Program is dedicated to equal opportunity for all applicants who meet admission requirements. Please read the section below which

describes our acceptance process.

Students who have not completed **all course prerequisites** may be conditionally accepted for the incoming class; but all requirements must be met prior to the starting date of the program in early June. You may apply during the year you are completing your requirements. Indicate on the checklist what courses are completed and what is in progress, and submit transcripts before December 1st. We will expect updated

transcripts after completion of each semester once the application is submitted.

DO NOT WAIT TO SUBMIT TRANSCRIPTS UNTIL AFTER FALL GRADES ARE POSTED.

Trimester Schools & Quarter Hour Credits: Schools that use the trimester calendar award quarter hour credits for courses. One quarter credit equals 0.7 semester credits. If a course was 4 quarter credits, then it is equal to 2.7 semester credits, if the course was 5 quarter credits, then it is equal to 3.3 semester credits.

Admissions Procedures

Pending approval, the Graduate Admissions Office at Hunter College will open online applications on or about **August 15, 2012.**

The Hunter College Graduate online application, official transcripts, clinical experience forms and letters of recommendation have a **December 1st deadline for submission.**

Use the attached **Applicant Checklist** to guide you on meeting the admission requirements. Documents submitted by

eligible applicants will be reviewed for GPA, completion of prerequisites, clinical experience and other relevant experience in health care to identify those eligible for interviews.

An interview is required with faculty of the Hunter College Physical Therapy Program. Subsequent to the interview, a standardized scoring form is used to evaluate each applicant, based on GPA, TOEFL scores, clinical experience, essay quality, and interview scores.

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Acceptance in the Program

The PT program presently admits a maximum of twenty-eight students per year out of the many qualified applicants seeking admission. If you meet our requirements, we urge you to apply. Please

note that an interview is a meaningful component of the admissions procedure, and therefore overall GPA is not the sole factor for acceptance. If you have questions regarding your

qualifications, or need to speak with an advisor, please contact the Physical Therapy office. Applicants will be contacted by the Physical Therapy Program regarding scheduling of an interview.

Clinical Experience Requirements

Documented clinical experience of a minimum 100 hours under supervision of a licensed physical therapist in the United States is required before applying to the program; (minimum of 50 hours must be in a hospital based or rehabilitation setting). Inquire at any hospital about volunteering in their Physical Therapy Department to gain this clinical experience.

The Clinical Experience Form (see attached) documenting completion of the 100 hours must be received by the Physical Therapy Program NO LATER THAN December 1st.

The clinical experience must be obtained with a licensed Physical Therapist in a Physical Therapy Department and completed by the same therapist. Foreign trained physical therapists, or individuals obtaining clinical experience outside the U.S., should refer to the section below for International Students.

Clinical Experience Forms: At the end of this packet you will find your Clinical Experience Form. Be sure to read the instructions for meeting this requirement. It must be submitted by December 1st and be completed by the physical therapist.

The therapist completing this form may attach a letter of recommendation to the form in addition to completing the form. This will count as one of two required letters of recommendation. If it is not possible to forward a clinical experience form, we will accept a letter (from the physical therapist), stating your accumulated number of clinical experience hours, type of facility, the physical therapist's impression according to criteria on the Clinical Experience Form.

The Hunter College DPT Program supports the philosophy of an internationally renowned physical therapist, Florence Kendall, PT, FAPTA. In presenting the second annual John HP Maley Lecture¹ during the 1997 APTA Scientific Meeting and Exposition, she discussed the need for evidence-based (scientifically-based) practice and indicated that one of the most innovative ways for educational programs to lead the way is to get back to basics. "The basics are the foundation from which all innovations should develop and are essential for further learning and discovery."

(Kendall, F. (1997). Innovations in Clinical Practice, Maley Lecture at Annual Physical Therapy Scientific Meeting. PT Bulletin, p. 8.)

Physical Therapy Curriculum

The curriculum has continuously evolved to provide graduates with the necessary knowledge and skills to succeed in a physical therapy career. The design and content of this program is based upon a detailed review of physical therapy practice, accreditation guidelines, and the *Guide to Physical Therapist Practice*. The Program is full time, during the days, and three calendar years in duration. Students enter in the summer semester only. Refer to the curriculum outlined on the next page for actual courses. To review the course descriptions, please go to our web site www.hunter.cuny.edu/pt

The purpose of the Doctorate in Physical Therapy Program is to prepare professionally competent physical therapists that will be capable of providing a diverse scope of Physical Therapy services. The educational goals of the DPT Program at Hunter College are to prepare:

1. Clinical professionals capable of providing a full range of physical therapy rehabilitation and health care services to meet the diverse needs of patients with musculoskeletal, neurological, integumentary and/or cardio- pulmonary conditions, as well as health promotion and wellness services to the general population.
2. Physical therapists who are capable of assimilating the changing health care needs of society into their delivery of services.
3. Physical therapists who are knowledgeable consumers of scientific information and research,

and who demonstrate a professional commitment to the further development of the profession of physical therapy.

4. Physical therapists who have an appreciation for life-long learning in their careers.

The 3-year curricula for Hunter College DPT Program is based upon the need for students to receive a strong foundation covering all aspects of Physical Therapy practice, followed by the attainment of advanced skills.

This graduate curriculum builds from such a basic foundation, beginning with a series of core courses for evaluation, treatment and clinical problem solving skills, followed by advanced clinical course work covering all areas of clinical practice. Hunter College PT faculty feels entry-level graduates need greater emphasis on clinical skills and critical inquiry of evidence with a foundation in research design and methodology.

While you are waiting to apply for the class starting in June 2013:

1. Submit your **Graduate Record Examination (GRE)** scores from Educational Testing Service to **Hunter College #2301**.
2. Request that all the colleges you attended send your **transcript to Hunter College Graduate Admissions**, 695 Park Avenue, New York, New York, 10065.
3. Either you or the person supervising your clinical experience may submit your completed **Clinical Experience Forms** to the Doctor of Physical Therapy Program at Hunter College, ATTN Mrs. Cleary, 425 East 25th Street, New York, NY 10010. If someone else is submitting the form on your behalf, it is often helpful to provide them with a stamped envelope printed with this address.
4. Prepare your **pre-requisite checklist** for input into the Graduate Application at the time you apply.
5. If you have not studied in an English-speaking country, register for the TOEFL and submit scores to Hunter College Graduate Admissions.

Please note, your **letters of reference** (including letters (not clinical experience forms) from supervising physical therapists) will be uploaded by the person doing the referral through the on-line application process. The Checklist for Pre-requisites will be part of the on-line application. Proof of Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation will be submitted if you are invited for an interview.

FAQ

Housing: The Residence Life office at the Brookdale Campus will assist students in seeking housing in the New York area. We no longer have use of the housing on campus, which has been limited to undergraduate students.

Tuition: Watch our web site www.hunter.cuny.edu/pt for official information after August 2012.

Financial Aid: Once you are accepted to the Physical Therapy Program, you may contact the Hunter College Financial

Aid Office at 212-772-4820, or email them at faohc@hunter.cuny.edu. They can provide you with additional information. Students should file the FAFSA and request "Direct Loans". There are no scholarships within the Physical Therapy program.

Retention Rates: The Physical Therapy faculty is dedicated to producing competent PT clinicians. Students who are having academic/financial/personal difficulties are assisted as much as possible. Our average graduation rate is over 95%.

More FAQ's

Once You Are Accepted: Letters of acceptance are usually mailed in February. An orientation for incoming PT students is usually scheduled for the middle of the spring semester. You will be notified of this orientation in a letter of acceptance mailed by the PT Program. Additional information on the curriculum, schedules, etc., will be provided at that time.

Criminal Background Checks:

Applicants to any professional program in

which state licensing is required will be questioned about any previous arrest and/or conviction record. Clinic affiliation sites are also beginning to require criminal back-ground checks prior to a student being approved for placement in a clinical internship at that site. Please be advised that your past record may prevent you from completing this or any professional program and/or may prevent you from being eligible for licensure in New York and other states.

One more FAQ

What type of bachelor's degree should you get?

We do not want to drive your undergraduate education. You should pursue a bachelor's degree (BA or BS) in a major that suits your interests and is related to working with people and/or

is related to healthcare. For example, degrees in Psychology, Nutrition and Food Science, Community Health Education, Exercise Physiology or Biology are all very acceptable undergraduate degrees.

Our philosophy is for you to obtain a marketable

undergraduate degree in an area of interest. This degree, coupled with a DPT degree upon completion of our program, will give you above average credentials for working in any area of Physical Therapy and health care in the future.

**Hunter College
Doctor of Physical Therapy
425 East 25th Street
New York, NY 10010
212-481-4469**

www.hunter.cuny.edu/pt

International Students and Foreign Trained Physical Therapists

International Students:

Translations and evaluation of transcripts from colleges outside the U.S. must be completed early in the application process. If you want assistance with reviewing your coursework taken outside the U.S. and have not yet submitted an admission application, you may contact the Graduate Admissions Office by email at graduateadmissions@hunter.cuny.edu

Foreign Trained Physical Therapists:

If you are qualified to work as a physical therapist in another country, you may not need to apply to our program. Contact the N. Y.

State Board of Physical Therapy to determine if your education allows you to take the National Physical Therapy Examination. You must hold a bachelor's degree to be considered eligible. If you wish to become a licensed Physical Therapist in the U.S. then you must apply to an accredited physical therapy program. The Physical Therapy Program will require you to apply and enroll in the entire curriculum. We do not waive courses from other colleges or universities. You must also complete 100 hours of clinical experience in the United States, Canada, Australia, or England.



Verification of Submitted Transcripts: Applicants to the PT Program can verify receipt of their documents by contacting:

Hunter College Graduate Admissions
695 Park Avenue
New York, NY 10065
212-396-6049
Email: gradadmissions@hunter.cuny.edu

How to Get More Information

Evaluation of Transfer of Courses:

Many students applying and admitted to our program have completed undergraduate course work outside the City University of New York. Your best method of determining if a course you have taken or are planning on taking will meet our requirements is: First, ask your advisor or course instructor if the course will typically transfer to a four year college. Be sure it will not transfer as elective credits, but as an equivalent course at a four-year college. If you are taking a prerequisite course at a two-year college in the CUNY system, a course equivalency guide is

available to you at: www.tipps.cuny.edu. Schools that use the trimester calendar award quarter hour credits for their courses. One-quarter credit equals 0.7 semester credits. Example: If your trigonometry course was 4-quarter credits then it is equal to 2.7 semesters' credits, if the course was 5-quarter credits, then it is equal to 3.3 semesters credits. All AP credits listed on the college transcript are considered regular college credit.

Applicant Advisement:

Members of the Physical Therapy faculty are available for counseling appointments. These are only scheduled after

receipt of this information packet. Contact the Physical Therapy Program secretary between the hours of 9:00 - 2:00 to schedule an advising appointment. THESE ARE NOT INTERVIEWS.

Informational Session

Dates: The Program Director hosts an informational session every semester about the Program, prerequisites, the admissions process, and answers questions regarding entry into the Hunter College DPT Program and other New York State Schools. Please call for the date and time of the next scheduled session or check our web site homepage and dates are posted on calendar. www.hunter.cuny.edu/pt

Current Physical Therapy DPT Curriculum –Hunter College

Revised curriculum will be posted on web site in August 2012

Summer, Year # 1 (8 weeks)

| Course Name | Credits | Class Hours |
|-------------------------------|----------|--------------------|
| PHT 70100 Clinical Anatomy | 4 | 12 |
| PHT 70200 Medical Terminology | 1 | Online |
| Total | 5 | 12 + online |

Fall Semester, Year # 1 (15 wks)

| Course Name | Credits | Class Hours |
|---|-----------|-------------|
| PHT 70300 Foundations of Patient Care | 2 | 4 |
| PHT 70400 Introduction to PT Practice & Ethics | 2 | 2 |
| PHT 75000 Physical Modalities: Clinical Decision Making & Application | 3 | 4 |
| PHT 70500 Upper Extremity Kinesiology & Assessment | 2 | 3 |
| PHT 72000 Human Physiology and Exercise Physiology | 4 | 4 |
| PHT 71000 Research Design (9 wks) | 2 | 2 |
| PHT 77000 Directed Research | 1 | 3 |
| PHT 70600 Psychosocial Aspects of Clinical Practice | 2 | 2 |
| Total | 18 | 24 |

Spring Semester, Year #1 (15 wks)

| Course Name | Credits | Class Hours |
|---|-----------|----------------|
| PHT 73000 Structure & Function of the Nervous System | 3 | 3 |
| PHT 74000 PT Prevention & Intervention | 4 | 6 |
| PHT 76000 Lower Extremity Kinesiology & Assessment | 2 | 4 |
| PHT 80900 Directed Research II | 1 | 3 hrs/wk (lab) |
| PHT 78000 Clinical Medicine for PT | 3 | 3 |
| PHT 80100 Pulmonary PT | 2 | 3 |
| PHT 79500 Integumentary System: Assessment and Intervention | 1 | 1 |
| Total | 16 | 23 |

Part 1 (Didactic) of the First Examination

Summer Semester, Year # 2 (8 weeks)

| Course Name | Credits | Schedule |
|---------------------------------|----------|-----------------|
| PHT 86000 Directed Research III | 1 | 3 hrs/week lab |
| Total | 1 | Hr. Arr. |

Fall Semester, Year # 2 (9 wks)

| Course Name | Credits | Class Hours |
|---|-----------|----------------|
| PHT 80200 Clinical Education: Education Theories | 2 | 3 |
| PHT 80300 Differential Diagnosis & Intervention in Clinical Orthopedics I | 2 | 3 |
| PHT 86000 Directed Research III (Continued from summer – as needed to finish data collection) | 0 | 3 hrs/week lab |
| PHT 80400 Introduction to Neurological PT | 2 | 5 |
| PHT 80500 Musculoskeletal Examination I | 3 | 6 |
| PHT 80800 Differential Diagnosis in Neurological Evaluation | 1 | 3 |
| PHT 81100 Cardiac Rehabilitation | 2 | 5 |
| Total | 12 | 28 |

Fall Semester, Year #2 (6 weeks after above classes)

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|----------------------------------|---|-------|
| PHT 80600 Clinical Affiliation I | 3 | 6 wks |
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Completion of Part II (Clinical) of the First Examination to progress into the next semester.

Spring Semester, Year # 2 (15 weeks)

| Course Name | Credits | Class Hours |
|--|-----------|------------------|
| PHT 81000 Neurological Interventions I | 3 | 5 |
| PHT 82000 Diff. Diagnosis & Intervention in Clinical Orthopedics II/ Radiology & Imaging | 3 | 3 |
| PHT 83000 Orthotics & Prosthetics | 2 | 2 |
| PHT 84000 Differential Diagnosis & Intervention in Clinical Neurology | 3 | 3 |
| PHT 85000 Musculoskeletal Examination II | 3 | 5 |
| PHT 88200 Pediatric Development & Assessment | 2 | 2 |
| PHT 80700 PNF | 1 | 3 |
| PHT 88800 Directed Research IV | 1 | 3 hrs/week (lab) |
| Total | 18 | 26 |

Part II (Didactic) of the Second Examination

Summer, Year # 3 (10 Weeks)

| Course Name | Credits | Class Hours |
|------------------------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| PHT 88600 Clinical Affiliation II | 5 | 10 weeks |
| PHT 88700 Clinical Decision Making | 1 | Online |
| Total | 6 | 10 wks |

Completion of Part II (Clinical) of the Second Examination to progress into the next semester.

Fall Semester, Year # 3 (15 weeks)

| Course Name | Credits | Class Hours |
|---|----------------|--------------------|
| PHT 88000 Neurological Interventions II | 2 | 4 |
| PHT 88100 Seminar in Departmental Organization & Management | 3 | 3 |
| PHT 88300 Systems Review & Pharmacology | 3 | 3 |
| PHT 88400 Musculoskeletal Examination III | 3 | 5 |
| PHT 88500 Electroneuromyography & Motion Analysis | 2 | 2 |
| PHT 87000 Health Promotion through the Lifespan | 2 | 2 |
| PHT 90000 Directed Research V | 1 | 3 hrs/week lab |
| PHT 87200 Topics in Physical Therapy | 1 | TBA |
| TOTAL | 17 | 22 |

Spring Semester, Year # 3 (20 weeks)

| Course Name | Credits | Class Hours |
|---|----------------|--------------------|
| PHT 88950 Clinical Affiliation III | 4.5 | 9 weeks |
| PHT 90000 Directed Research V (continued): One week for student in-house advisement for project completion &/or group research presentations | 0 | Hr. Arr. |
| PHT 89000 Clinical Affiliation IV | 4.5 | 9 weeks |
| TOTAL | 9.0 | N.A. |

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|-----------------------|------------------|------------|
| Credits: | 1st year: | 39 |
| | 2nd year: | 34 |
| | 3rd year: | 32 |
| TOTAL CREDITS: | | 105 |

Summary of DPT Graduation Requirements

- Complete all required coursework as outlined in curriculum table with cumulative GPA at or above 3.0
- Successfully pass First Examination and Second Examination
- Complete the requirements for Professional Development I & II
 - Each Professional Development activity participation in a continued education course or other professional development activity, as approved by the Program Director. Each course must be equivalent to 15 contact hours. Examples include any of the continued education courses we host at Hunter College, attendance at a PT state or national PT conference, or other activity that further develops an area of PT practice.
- File a "Clinical Research Project Clearance Form" along with your approved IRB application from the site where research is completed and from the Graduate Center.
- Obtain faculty advisor approval of your group research project final document.
- Present final project to the program faculty and students either orally or as a poster.

GRADUATE CENTER/HUNTER COLLEGE
PHYSICAL THERAPY PROGRAM

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE FORM

APPLICANTS - READ THIS CAREFULLY

All applicants to the Physical Therapy Program at the Hunter College are required to have had practical experience in a physical therapy setting in order to be considered for admission to our program. We recommend that you try to select a health care facility having a physical therapy service, which treats a variety of disability groups and ages.

Your participation in the Physical Therapy Department can be either on a paid or voluntary basis. We require a minimum of 100 hours of exposure of which at least 50 hours are obtained in an acute care hospital or rehabilitation setting. A multi-disciplinary in-patient hospital type rehabilitation setting is considered acceptable toward these 50 hours as well. IF ALL YOUR CLINICAL EXPERIENCE IS IN A PRIVATE PRACTICE, SCHOOL SETTING OR NURSING HOME - YOU WILL NOT MEET THE CLINICAL EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENT. You must make your own arrangements for this experience.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE FORMS MUST BE COMPLETED BY A PHYSICAL THERAPIST AND SUBMITTED IN A SEALED ENVELOPE FROM THAT FACILITY.

ONLY ONE CLINICAL EXPERIENCE FORM WILL BE ACCEPTED FROM EACH FACILITY FOR THE APPLICANT.

ONE PAGE LETTERS SUBMITTED BY A VOLUNTEER OFFICE WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED TO DOCUMENT CLINICAL HOURS. THEY DO NOT REPLACE A CLINICAL EXPERIENCE FORM FROM A PHYSICAL THERAPIST.

To verify your experience and to provide a reference for you, the opposite side of this sheet must be completed by a licensed Physical Therapist who observed your performance. He/she is to return the completed form to you in a sealed envelope with initials of person completing form on seal for inclusion into your self-managed application packet. Enter your name and address on the top of the form and sign the disclaimer before forwarding to the physical therapist. (I suggest you attach a post card to the clinical experience form, which we will then mail to you indicating receipt of the completed form.)

The absolute deadline for receipt of the Clinical Experience Forms is **December 1st**. Forms received after December 1st will delay your application being reviewed for eligibility for an interview.

You may photocopy this form if you require more than one form submitted from more than one facility.

Applicants, mail the completed form to:

Hunter College Physical Therapy Program
425 East 25th Street
New York, NY 10010

**CLINICAL EXPERIENCE FORM
HUNTER COLLEGE PHYSICAL THERAPY PROGRAM**

NAME: _____ ADDRESS: _____

I do ___ do not ___ waive all rights to see or review the reference submitted by _____.

Signature: _____

TO: CLINICAL PHYSICAL THERAPIST:

The above named person is applying for admission to the Physical Therapy Program of Hunter College/GC of CUNY. We require each applicant to have had a minimum of 100 hours exposure to the profession through volunteer or paid work. We would greatly appreciate your impressions of this person's performance in your clinical setting. We are grateful for your input and assure you that the information will be kept confidential if the above waiver is signed. An incomplete form is not acceptable and may deny admission!

The above:

_____ Visited for Observation Only....Date(s) _____

_____ Worked or Volunteered (please circle one) from _____ to _____

TOTAL NUMBER OF HOURS: _____

Experiences: _____

Please rate the applicant's on the following:

| ABILITY | EXCELLENT | GOOD | FAIR | POOR | ABILITY | EXCELLENT | GOOD | FAIR | POOR |
|-------------------------|-----------|------|------|------|-----------------------------|-----------|------|------|------|
| RELATES TO STAFF | | | | | RELIABLE/DEPENDABLE | | | | |
| RELATES TO PATIENTS | | | | | VERBAL ABILITY | | | | |
| MATURITY | | | | | WRITTEN ABILITY | | | | |
| CARRIES OUT INSTRUCTION | | | | | GRASPS THEORETICAL CONCEPTS | | | | |
| JUDGMENT | | | | | APPEARANCE | | | | |
| ACCEPTS DIRECTION | | | | | PROFESSIONAL POTENTIAL | | | | |

COMMENTS: _____

SUPERVISOR'S NAME: (PRINT) _____ TITLE: _____

FACILITY NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TYPE OF FACILITY (CHECK ONE OR INDICATE): ACUTE CARE HOSPITAL _____

IN PATIENT REHAB SETTING _____ OUT PATIENT REHAB SETTING _____

PRIVATE PRACTICE _____ OTHER: _____

SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Return to Applicant in a sealed envelope with initials of person completing form on seal.

DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 1ST

Hunter College - Physical Therapy DPT Program
Applicant Prerequisite Checklist
PLEASE SUBMIT THIS COMPLETED CHECKLIST WITH YOUR APPLICATION

Applicant Name: _____

| Minimum Pre-requisite Courses | Credits | Grade on transcript | Name of college where course taken | Semester and year completed | If in progress, check below |
|---|--|---------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Bachelor's Degree Earned from: | | | | | |
| Please indicate your major(s): | | | | | |
| First Semester Anatomy & Physiology | | | | | |
| First Semester Anatomy & Physiology Lab* | | | | | |
| Second Semester Anatomy & Phys. | | | | | |
| Second Semester Anatomy & Phys. Lab* | | | | | |
| First Semester Chemistry | | | | | |
| First Semester Chemistry Lab* | | | | | |
| Second Semester Chemistry | | | | | |
| Second Semester Chemistry Lab* | | | | | |
| First Semester Physics | | | | | |
| First Semester Physics Lab* | | | | | |
| Second Semester Physics | | | | | |
| Second Semester Physics Lab* | | | | | |
| Mathematics | | | | | |
| Psychology I | | | | | |
| Psychology II | | | | | |
| Statistics | | | | | |
| English Composition | | | | | |
| Graduate Record Exam (GRE) - Scores must be sent to Hunter College, CUNY, Code 2301. Please write in scores → | Verbal | Quantitative | Analytical writing | | |
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| CPR certification | If completed, submit copy of certificate | | | | |
| +Acute Care or Rehab. Clinical Experience – list location and if clinical experience form has been submitted. | | | | | |
| 2 ND Clinical Experience (optional) # List location and if form has been submitted. | | | | | |
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* If lecture class is under four credits, then lab must be listed separately on transcript.
+ Minimum of 50 hours in acute care or rehab setting is required
If less than 100 hours in acute care or rehab setting, a second clinical experience is required.