

Pre-Physical Therapy Advising

Area in major Program Plan	GGC Courses
Area A – Essential Skills	ENGL 1101 and ENGL 1102 (English Composition I & II) MATH 1113 (Pre-Calculus)*
Area B – Institutional Option	ITEC 1001 (Introduction to Computing)
Area C – Humanities/Arts	MUSC 1100 <i>or</i> ARTS 1100 <i>or</i> FILM 1005 <i>or</i> ENGL 2110 <i>or</i> ENGL 2100 RELN 1100 (World Religions) <i>or</i> GEOG 1101 (Human Geography) <i>or</i> one semester of 2000-level foreign language
Area D – Science, Mathematics, & Technology	CHEM 1211K and CHEM 1212K (Principles of Chemistry I & II w/lab) ITEC 2110 (Digital Media) OR ITEC 2120 (Introduction to Programming)
Area E – Social Sciences	HIST 2111 <i>or</i> HIST 2112 (U.S. History I & II) HIST 1111 <i>or</i> HIST 1112 <i>or</i> HIST 1121 <i>or</i> HIST 1122 <i>or</i> HIST 2111 <i>or</i> HIST 2112 (if not taken above) POLS 1101 (American Government) ECON 2100 <i>or</i> PSYC 1102 <i>or</i> SOCI 1101 <i>or</i> ANTH 1102
Courses required for admission to most Physical Therapy schools	BIOL 1107K and BIOL 1108K (I & II w/lab) BIOL 2451K and BIOL 2452K (Anatomy & Physiology I & II w/lab) PHYS 1111K and PHYS 1112K (I & II w/lab)* MATH 2050 (Statistics)
Courses recommended for admission to some Physical Therapy schools	HSCI 2000 (Medical Terminology) PSYC 2400 (Introduction to Abnormal Psychology) PSYC 2500 (Lifespan Developmental Psychology) EXSC 3101K (Exercise Physiology) EXSC 3500K (Biomechanics)
Courses recommended for knowledge base in Physical Therapy school	EXSC 3200 (Psychosocial Aspects of Health & Wellness) EXSC 3700 (Human Motor Learning and Control) EXSC 4100K (Exercise Testing & Prescription) EXSC 4420 (Rehabilitation Techniques in Sports Medicine) EXSC 3150 (Resistance Training Applications) EXSC 4150 (Principles of Strength and Conditioning)

Students are ***strongly advised*** to check with the program(s) to which they plan to apply for specific prerequisites.

* Some schools may require calculus based physics -PHYS 2211K and PHYS 2212K (Principles of Physics I & II w/ Lab)

For a prerequisite comparison, visit the Physical Therapy Central Application Service

<https://ptcasdirectory.apta.org/5287/Comparison-of-Course-Prerequisites-by-Program>

What factors are considered in the admission process for DPT Physical Therapy Programs?

1. Bachelor's degree: while there is not a required major, the most common undergraduate majors among PT students include exercise science, biology, kinesiology, and psychology.
2. Volunteer (or paid) physical therapy experiences: most schools require some hours in which students work with a practicing PT. Observation requirements: <https://ptcasdirectory.apta.org/5257/PT-Observation-Requirements-by-Program>
3. Graduate Record Examination (GRE): Compare the GRE requirements by program: <https://ptcasdirectory.apta.org/5254/GRE-Requirements-and-Codes-by-Program>
4. References: from professors, PTs, or clinicians from volunteer experiences <https://ptcasdirectory.apta.org/5256/Reference-Requirements-by-Program>.
5. Visit the Physical Therapist Centralized Application Service (PTCAS) at <http://www.ptcas.org/> for the most current admissions information.

Physical Therapy Schools in Georgia (click on program name for link to additional info):

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| 1. Augusta University | 5. Georgia State University |
| 2. Brenau University | 6. Mercer University |
| 3. Emory University | 7. Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (Suwanee, GA) |
| 4. Georgia Southern University | 8. University of North Georgia |