



The University of Delaware's Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) Program is housed within the University of Delaware College of Health Sciences. Renowned faculty are committed to providing inclusive and ground-breaking entry-level education, fostering knowledge translation to impact physical therapy practice, and incorporating experiential learning and service opportunities to best prepare the next generation of leaders of the profession.

The UDPT Program is well-resourced and intentionally-designed. Contemporary instruction by content experts blends seamlessly with the practice philosophies displayed in our state-of-the-art, on-site physical therapy clinics wherein all students are trained. Clinically-oriented lectures and laboratories that leverage community partnerships draw extensively from primary source research and build upon the strong foundation established through the basic science coursework. The program's values are expressed through a curriculum supporting instruction on health equity.

UDPT student outcome statistics can be found on the program's website.

### EXCEPTIONAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

- Our program is ranked #1 in the nation by U.S. News & World Report. We offer a 2.5-year DPT degree and post-graduate education, including six residency and fellowship programs, as well as two Ph.D. programs in Biomechanics & Movement Science and Interdisciplinary Neuroscience.
- Students receive hands-on training in two full-service physical therapy clinics wherein classroom theory and research findings are immediately applied to patient care. In addition, clinical education contracts with outstanding facilities throughout the United States ensure students refine their delivery of high-quality, evidence-supported care.
- UDPT's academic, clinical, and research activities occur at the STAR Campus with collaborative spaces and modern technologies, including state-of-the-art gross human anatomy lab, as well as simulation labs accredited by the Society for Simulation in Healthcare. Ph.D.-prepared educators and researchers, as well as board-certified clinicians, provide instruction supplemented by inter-professional collaborations, high-fidelity simulations, and experiential learning opportunities.

# TO APPLY

## MINIMUM ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS:

- Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution
- Verbal and quantitative GRE scores
- 50 hours of volunteer or paid experience in PT at time of matriculation (25 hours are required at time of applications)
- Three letters of recommendation (two from licensed PTs whom you directly observed/interacted with during patient care; one from a professor of an upper level course)
- Completion of prerequisites below with a grade of C (2.0) or higher
  - **Psychology:** 1 introductory course (3 credits)
  - **Statistics:** 1 introductory course (3 credits)
  - **Biology with lab:** 2 introductory courses (8 credits total)
  - **Chemistry with lab:** 2 introductory courses (8 credits total)
  - **Physics with lab:** 2 introductory courses (8 credits total)
  - **Anatomy with lab:** 1 human or mammalian course (4 credits total)
  - **Physiology with lab:** 1 human or mammalian course (4 credits total)
  - **Note:** Two course sequences in anatomy and physiology with labs are acceptable to fulfill the physiology/anatomy requirements.
- Minimum cumulative undergraduate GPA of 3.0
- Minimum science prerequisite GPA of 3.0 (includes biology, chemistry, physics, anatomy, and physiology)
- Completion of PTCAS application
- Payment of a UD supplemental fee
- Completion of successful admissions interview (by invitation only)
- **Note:** Those applicants who meet the minimum academic requirements are not guaranteed admission, nor are those applicants who fail to meet those minimum requirements necessarily precluded from admission if they offer other appropriate strengths.



## ADMISSION DEADLINES AND FUNDING

UDPT follows a rolling admissions process. Students are encouraged to apply early for best consideration of available seats. All students meeting the criteria for admission will be considered for a scholarship package as funds remain available. Admission and scholarship offers will be extended to qualified candidates beginning with the first application deadline and continued until the class is fully enrolled.

- Mid-August
- Mid-September
- Mid-October
- Mid-December (Final Deadline)

## CONTACT

To learn more or schedule a pre-application advisement meeting, contact [pt-admissions@udel.edu](mailto:pt-admissions@udel.edu) or call 302-831-8910



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703-706-3245; email: [accreditation@apta.org](mailto:accreditation@apta.org); website: [www.capteonline.org](http://www.capteonline.org). If needing to contact the program/institution directly, please call 302-831-8910 or email [pt-admissions@udel.edu](mailto:pt-admissions@udel.edu). Please visit our Student Outcomes page at <http://sites.udel.edu/pt/dpt-program-student-outcomes/> for information on graduation rate, ultimate licensure exam pass rate, and employment rate over the most recent two years. The University of Delaware Department of Physical Therapy also offers credentialed residencies in sports, orthopedics, geriatrics, neurology, and acute care. CAPTE does not provide oversight or accreditation of residency programs. Our residency programs are accredited by the American Board of Physical Therapy Residency and Fellowship Education (ABPTRFE).



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