

PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT

ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE

The Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA) program is designed to be completed in two years with the awarding of an Associate of Applied Science degree upon successful completion of the program. The student is then eligible to take the national exam.

Credits Required: 72

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Concentration Requirements 46

<input type="checkbox"/>	PTA 100	Advanced Med. Term. for the PTA	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	PTA 101	Introduction to PTA	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	PTA 102	Kinesiology	5
<input type="checkbox"/>	PTA 103	Physical Agents and Therapeutic Intervens	5
<input type="checkbox"/>	PTA 104	Therapeutic Exercise	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	PTA 105	Clinical Education I	2
<input type="checkbox"/>	PTA 106	Patient Care	4
<input type="checkbox"/>	PTA 201	Pathology for the Physical Therapist Asst	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	PTA 202	Musculoskeletal	5
<input type="checkbox"/>	PTA 203	Neuromuscular Rehabilitation	5
<input type="checkbox"/>	PTA 204	Clinical Education II	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	PTA 205	Clinical Education III	7
<input type="checkbox"/>	PTA 207	PTA Seminar	2

General Education Requirements 26

<input type="checkbox"/>	BIOL 130	Anatomy & Physiology	5
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM101	Public Speaking	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	ENGL 101	English Composition I	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	MATH 115	College Algebra	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	OTEC 124	Medical Terminology	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 101	General Psychology	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 201	Developmental Psychology	3
<input type="checkbox"/>		Computer Elective	3
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Recommended Course Sequence

SEM 1: PTA 100, PTA 101, PTA 201

SEM 2: PTA 102, PTA 103, PTA 105, PTA 106

SEM 3: PTA 104, PTA 202, PTA 203, PTA 204, PTA 207

SEM 4: PTA 205

Accreditation

The Physical Therapist Assistant program at Lafayette Community College is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE), 1111 North Fairfax Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22314; telephone: 703-706-3245; email: accreditation@apta.org; website: <http://www.capteonline.org>. The program's current status is probationary accreditation; for more information see <http://www.capteonline.org/WhatWeDo/RecentActions/PublicDisclosureNotices/>. If needing to contact the program/institution directly, please call 620-820-1007 or email pta@lafayette.edu.

Requirements

The prerequisite courses must be completed or be in progress at the time of application submission. Acceptance to the program is through a competitive process based on program criteria. Our application and requirements can be accessed on the LCC web site, <http://www.lafayette.edu/pta/index.html> Acceptance to LCC does not ensure acceptance into the PTA program. CPR Certification is required prior to attending clinical training.

Student Organization

Students enrolled in the PTA program participate in the PTA club. Our students work together to promote the art and science of Physical Therapy. The students engage in providing community services and fund raising activities. Our students are encouraged to be members of our national organization and attend conferences at the state and national levels.

After Graduation

Once you have successfully completed the program you must pass the national examination for Physical Therapist Assistants to acquire a license to practice. Once you have a license there are many career opportunities available in many settings. Physical Therapist Assistants work to help individuals to recover from an injury, return to work or athletic activities, or to improve their abilities to allow individuals to function as independent as possible. Opportunities include working with people throughout the life span in settings such as hospitals, clinics, specialty centers, school systems, long term care, and home health. Many PTAs also accept travel assignments throughout the United States and the world. PTAs can advance their careers in the areas of management or earn additional certified skills. PTAs may also seek to advance their education and pursue a degree to become a Physical Therapist.

Courses designated as Physical Science, Natural Science, Humanities, Social Behavioral and General Education electives can be found on page 92.

Placement Tests or pre-requisites are required for English Composition I, and Math courses. See page 26 for complete Placement information.

Some courses are not offer each semester. Always make an appointment with your major advisor to enroll each semester.