

Course Requirements

Prerequisite Courses

Take the following required courses:

► *Natural Sciences*

BIOL 101	Human Anatomy	5
BIOL 102	Human Physiology	5
BIOL 223	Medical Terminology	2
BIOL 123	Biological Foundations III	5
CHEM 111+12+13+L	General Chemistry I,II,III+Lab	5+5+5
PHYS 111+12+13	General Physics I, II, III	4+4+4
STAT 222	Introduction to Statistics	4

► *Social Sciences*

PSYC 121	General Psychology	4
PSYC 234	Human Development	4

► *At least one of the following*

BIOL 348	Systems Physiology (5)
BIOL 422	Advanced Human Anatomy (5)
ESTH 301	Exercise Physiology (5)

► *Observation Hours:*

Students must complete a minimum of 60 observation hours supervised by a licensed physical therapist in at least 3 different settings; at least 10 hours must be in an in-patient acute care or hospital setting and 50 hours in an outpatient setting.

Occupational Information

General Areas of Service

The physical therapist aids in the treatment of disease, injury, or disability by employing physical means (light, heat, cold water, electricity, massage, exercise, and other therapeutic rehabilitative techniques; training in ambulation with braces, crutches and prosthetic devices). Working closely with their patients, the therapist uses psychological and sociological principles to motivate and instruct. Professional opportunities exist in hospitals, physicians' offices, children's centers, athletic training and sports medicine programs, research institutions, rehabilitation centers, outpatient clinics, state and national agencies, private practice, and schools of physical therapy.

Professional training

A graduate degree and successfully passing state board examinations are required to enter the profession.

Job Outlook

Employment opportunities are expected to grow much faster than average for the foreseeable future.

Earnings

Starting salaries average about \$99,710 a year.

For More Information

The applicant is advised to contact the Andrews University DPT Admissions Coordinator and Pre-PT Advisor by the fall quarter of the sophomore year.

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Representatives from AU's physical therapy program are on the PUC campus at least once per year. Sign up for your applicant interview during your third year at PUC.

Priority application deadline is November 15 and the final deadline is March 15.

To apply online, go to: www.apta.org/cas/ptcas

Pacific Union College and Andrews University have entered into an agreement for guaranteed admission. This agreement assures that at least two students, who meet the criteria (see below) will be accepted from Pacific Union College into the Doctor of Physical Therapy program each admission cycle.

Guarenteed Admission

Requirements for Guaranteed Admissions Program:

1. Apply by the priority deadline of November 1 through PTCAS.
2. Have a minimum prerequisite GPA of 3.6
3. Participate successfully in a standard pre-admission interview conducted by the appropriate person from the DPT program.
4. Submit deposit within two weeks of notification of acceptance into the DPT program.

