

College of Health Sciences

Preview Day

Doctor of Physical Therapy October 14, 2020

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Western University of **Health Sciences DPT** Admissions Admissions





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Preview Day Agenda

October 14, 2020

2:30 PM- 3:00 PM

Welcome & Admissions Q&A

Admissions Counselor – Michael Haverkamp University Recruiter – Jaziel Camacho

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Program Overview & Admissions Details

Faculty – Dr. Chad Lairamore, PT, PhD, FNAP, Dr. Christina Gomez, PT, DPT

4:00 PM - 4:30 PM

Q & A



College of Health Sciences Department of Physical Therapy Education

DOCTOR OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

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WE UNDERSTAND...

Choosing a graduate or health professions school can be a nerve-wracking experience. Here at WesternU, we understand this and would like to provide you with the information needed to make an informed decision.

Admissions Details	
Applications Available	July
Priority Deadline	October 1 st
Application Deadline	November 1 st
Tuition (subject to change)	\$42,670/annually
Class Size	60
Classes Begin	July
Length of Program	3 years
Applicant Pool Statistics (2020 Stats for Pomona CA)	
Applications Received	954
Interviews Granted	264
Average Overall GPA*	3.40
Average Prerequisite GPA	3.45

^{*}Includes all post-baccalaureate and/or graduate coursework.

HOW TO APPLY...

All applicants must submit a primary and a supplemental application. Submitting materials early will ensure timely processing and help avoid delays.

The first step in the application process is to submit your primary application to the:

Physical Therapy College Application Service (PTCAS) http://www.ptcas.org/

APPLICATION DEADLINE...

The deadline to apply is November 1st of the year prior to matriculation. Applications need to be submitted on or before this date. The Department of Physical Therapy Education will review applications and make admissions decisions throughout the admissions cycle.

WE'RE HERE TO HELP

Feel free to contact us at: (541) 259-0200 or admissions@westernu.edu

We also encourage you to visit our website at www.westernu.edu

Do You Live in Alaska, Hawaii or wyoming?

If your permanent residence is in any one of these states, you may be able eligible for reduced tuition through the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) program. For more information, please review WICHE's Professional Student Exchange program at www.wiche.edu/sep.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. Do I need to have a bachelor's degree to apply?

Yes. Our physical therapy program is a doctoral degree program that requires a bachelor's degree as a prerequisite.

2. How many hours of clinical experience are required prior to application?

A minimum of 100 hours of volunteer or paid work experience in two or more physical therapy facilities and/or clinical settings (minimum of 40 hours per facility or clinical setting) is required. In-patient hours are highly recommended. In-patient settings may include: in-patient hospital (acute, sub-acute/transitional care or rehab), skilled nursing facilities (SNF), extended care facilities (ECF) and residential facilities (geriatric/pediatric). * Due to COVID-19 we will not require clinical experience for 2020 applications.

3. Can I have prerequisite courses in progress at the time of application? How many?

Yes, however, no more than one science (if semester-based course; two if the course is quarter-based) and one non-science prerequisite course can be in progress after the Fall term prior to matriculation (i.e. December 31, 2019 for Fall 2020 entering class). All prerequisite courses must be completed by the end of the spring semester/quarter prior to matriculation or June 15th of the planned matriculation year.

4. Do you require any standardized tests prior to application?

At this time we are not requiring any standardized tests to apply.

5. What are your GPA Requirements?

We require applicants to have a minimum overall and a minimum prerequisite GPA of 3.00. Applicants should have a competitive overall and prerequisite GPA consistent with current incoming class averages of 3.4 and above.



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Physical Therapist Centralized Application Service (PTCAS)

The purpose of PTCAS is to facilitate the PT admissions process for applicants and programs, promote the physical therapist profession and educational programs to a broad spectrum of applicants, and provide rich applicant data for institutional, regional, and national analysis.

www.ptcas.org

AMERICAN PHYSICAL THERAPY ASSOCIATION (APTA)

The APTA is a national organization that serves as a source for information on PT practice, trends and issues. The association publishes *Physical Therapy* and *PT-Magazine of Physical Therapy*. The APTA also organizes the National Student Conclave, a national meeting for students of physical therapy.

www.apta.org

FEDERATION OF STATE BOARDS OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

The federation aims to facilitate reasonable uniformity in physical therapy practices and administers the National Physical Therapy Examination. One of the group's key objectives is to strengthen state leadership in policymaking, promoting excellence and continuing competence in the PT profession.

www.fsbpt.org

CALIFORNIA PHYSICAL THERAPY ASSOCIATION (CPTA)

A state chapter of the national association, this group exists to meet the physical therapy needs of California residents through the development and improvement of physical therapy education, practice and research.

www.ccapta.org

Physical Therapist Online

Physical Therapist Online offers PT-related event listings, job postings, a clinic directory, continuing education opportunities and journal article abstracts.

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