



**Pennsylvania
Institute of
Technology**

PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT

Help patients restore their health!

In two years, you can earn the skills and knowledge needed to be successful as a Physical Therapist Assistant.

Why P.T.A.?

Do you like helping people? Do you enjoy being active? Do you want to make a difference in people's lives? Then maybe a career as a Physical Therapist Assistant is for you.

As a Physical Therapist Assistant, you will be a skilled and competent healthcare provider that works with a Physical Therapist. As a student, you will learn how to deliver physical therapy intervention within a plan of care, use critical thinking and problem solving skills, communicate effectively with those involved in a patient's care, perform data collection for assessment purposes, perform appropriate therapeutic interventions; and much more.

Students are prepared to successfully pass the state administered National Physical Therapist Assistant Examination after graduation and can then decide where they would like to practice from a variety of different settings.

About the PTA Program

- Small class sizes with individualized attention
- Accelerated terms so that you can earn your degree faster
- Caring, dedicated faculty who will help you succeed
- Hands-on, real-world learning, including clinical experiences
- High placement rate- more than 90% of our graduates are employed in their chosen field or continuing education within one year of graduation
- Average PTA Salary: 56,430 (www.bls.gov)

Physical Therapist Assistant Program at Pennsylvania Institute of Technology is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE), 3030 Potomac Ave., Suite 100, Alexandria, Virginia 22305-3085; 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 <https://www.capteonline.org/about-capte/recent-actions-and-updates/recent-actions>. If needing to contact the program/institution directly, please call 610-892-1500 or email ptaprogram@pit.edu.

Job Market

- Assisted living facilities
- Home health care agencies
- Medical and surgical hospitals
- Outpatient physical therapy offices and clinics
- Rehabilitation hospitals
- Skilled nursing facilities and more!

Go Further, Faster.

In addition to being prepared for an immediate career, P.I.T. has transfer agreements with a number of colleges and universities in the area. These agreements enable you to transfer your college credits earned at P.I.T. or apply them toward a bachelor's degree offered at P.I.T. to continue your education successfully. P.I.T. will prepare you for the next step that's right for YOU!



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PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT (PTA)

Associate in Science (A.S.)

Recommended Course Sequence

Code Course (Credits) Code Course (Credits)

Health Science Domain

BI0112	Introduction to Anatomy & Physiology (4)
ENG108	Composition I (3)
MOT115	Health Care in a Transcultural Environment (3)
MTH130	Mathematics for Health Care Professionals (3)
BIO135	Anatomy & Physiology I (4)
MTH145	College Algebra & Trigonometry (3)
PSY109	Human Growth and Development (3)
BIO136	Anatomy and Physiology II (4)
BIO145	Introduction to Physical Therapy Kinesiology (4)
ENG215	Analytical Writing (3)
PSY105	Introduction to Psychology (3)

PTA221	Physical Therapist Assistant Modalities (3)
PTA229	Rehabilitation Techniques (3)
PTA218	Lower Quarter Management (4)
PTA223	Geriatrics and Special Populations (3)
PTA226	Neurological & Pediatric Rehabilitations (4)
PTA210	Clinical Practice 1 (3)
PTA249	PTA Seminar (2)
PTA250	Clinical Practice II (4)
PTA251	Clinical Practice III (4)

PTA Domain

PTA102	Introduction to Physical Therapy (3)
PTA130	Diseases of the Human Body (3)
PTA135	Functional Anatomy & Kinesiology (4)
PTA113	Patient Care Essential Skills (3)
PTA118	Upper Quarter Management (4)

PROGRAM TOTAL: 84

*Prerequisite coursework is required.
NOTE: Additional course(s) may be required based on the results of a placement test.

The Physical Therapist Assistant program provides physical therapy education that is evidence-based and students are provided with classroom and clinical instruction using relative and current practices. Further, many non-laboratory courses in the PTA Program incorporate both didactic and “hands-on” learning experiences enabling students with different learning styles to acquire the appropriate knowledge. The PTA Program prepares students to successfully pass the National Physical Therapist Assistant Examination after graduation.



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