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# **PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

## **Academic Requirements:**

- *New and Transfer Students ONLY:* Must have a current college application on file
- High School Diploma or GED
- Eligible to take Freshman English 1 (ENG 101)
- Eligible to take Elementary Algebra (MAT 101), or equivalent, with a "C" or higher, or have successfully completed Developmental Algebra (MAT 020)
- Completed **one or more** of the following **within 5 years** of the application deadline:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Intro to Biology (BIO 110)</li> <li>General Biology I (BIO 101) <b>and</b> General Biology II (BIO 102)</li> <li>Anatomy &amp; Physiology I (BIO 111)</li> <li>Anatomy &amp; Physiology II (BIO 112)</li> </ul> | <b>all must be<br/>with a grade of<br/>"C" or higher</b> |
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- Passing grade on the Biology CLEP examination
  - High School AP Biology (score of 3 or higher) – submit the official AP transcript from College Board

- Students must attain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0

## **Department Specific Requirements:**

- Completion of an online Physical Therapist Assistant pre-admission seminar and follow-up interview with Department Chair within 3 years of the application deadline. At this follow-up interview, students will receive and sign off on information pertaining to health forms, drug testing, and criminal record policies. The online seminar link can be located at [www.sunyorange.edu/pta/preadmission.shtml](http://www.sunyorange.edu/pta/preadmission.shtml).
- Submit Physical Therapist Assistant Observation Form with essay (16 hour minimum with documentation) within 3 years of the application deadline.

*\*\*Pre-Admission seminar dates and observation forms are available online at [www.sunyorange.edu/admissions/healthforms.shtml](http://www.sunyorange.edu/admissions/healthforms.shtml)\*\**

## **Selection Process:**

Students will be considered for admission into this program based on the completion of all academic and department specific requirements. The Physical Therapist Assistant Department reviews all identified eligible students. The Department selects candidates using the highest combination of cumulative GPA, quality of essay and interview.

**All Physical Therapist Assistant Academic and Department Specific Requirements must be completed by February 1<sup>st</sup> in order for a student to be considered for acceptance into the program for the fall semester.**

**Though not admissions requirements, completing the courses below will enhance your admission eligibility (31 credits total):**

Please note that if you have not taken the course(s) within the timeframe listed below, you must retake the course(s).

<i>COURSES</i>			<i>CREDITS</i>	<i>NOTES</i>
ENG	101	Freshman English I	3	
ENG	102	Freshman English II	3	
PSY	101	General Psychology I	3	
PSY	220	Developmental Psychology	3	Must have been completed within 5 yrs of program entry
BIO	111	Anatomy and Physiology I	4	Must have been completed within 5 yrs of program entry
BIO	112	Anatomy and Physiology II	4	Must have been completed within 5 yrs of program entry
COM	101	Foundations of Communication	3	
MAT	101	Elementary Algebra or Higher	3	
PES	100	Concepts of Physical Wellness	1	
PES		Physical Ed. (Activity Course)	.5	
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