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Therapeutic Services

PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT

(10-524-1)

Associate of Applied Science Degree
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△ Suggested Sequence	✓	Course Number	Course Title	Requisites	Credits	Hrs/Wk Lec - Lab
Summer		806-177	* General Anatomy & Physiology	Prereq: 806-134 (See Note 6)	4	2-4
Semester 1		524-138	* PTA Kinesiology 1	Prereq: Instructor Consent	3	1.5-3
		524-139	* PTA Patient Interventions	Prereq: Instructor Consent	4	2-4
		524-140	* PTA Professional Issues 1	Prereq: Instructor Consent	2	2-0
		524-143	* PTA Therapeutic Modalities	Coreq: 524-139	4	2-4
		809-198	Psychology, Introduction to	Prereq: 838-105 (See Note 2 & 8)	3	3-0
Semester 2		524-141	* PTA Kinesiology 2	Prereq: 524-138	4	2-4
		524-147	* PTA Clinical Practice 1	Coreq: 524-141; 524-143	2	0-1-0-6
		524-142	* PTA Therapeutic Exerc.	Prereq: 806-177 Coreq: 524-138	3	1.5-3
		524-145	* PTA Principles of Musculoskeletal Rehab.	Prereq: 524-139 Coreq: 524-141 & 524-142	4	2-4
		804-113	* College Technical Math 1A	Prereq: 834-110 (See Note 2)	3	3-0
	801-136	English Composition 1	Prereq: 831-103 (See Note 2)	3	3-0	
Semester 3		524-144	* PTA Princ of Neuro Rehab.	(See Note 1)	4	2-4
		524-146	* PTA Cardio & Integ Mgmt	(See Note 1)	3	1.5-3
		524-148	* PTA Clinical Practice 2	Prereq: 524-147	3	.5-0-0-10
		809-188	Psychology, Developmental	Prereq: 838-105 (See Note 2)	3	3-0
Semester 4		524-149	* PTA Rehabilitation Across the Lifespan	Prereq: 524-144; 524-145; 524-148 Coreq: 524-146	2	1-2
		524-150	* PTA Prof Issues 2	Prereq: 524-140 Coreq: 524-148	2	2-0
		524-151	* PTA Clinical Practice 3	Prereq: 524-144; 524-145; 524-146; 524-148	5	.5-0-0-18
		801-196	Oral/Interpersonal Communication	Prereq: 838-105 (See Note 2)	3	3-0
		809-196	Sociology, Introduction to	Prereq: 838-105 (See Note 2 & 8)	3	3-0
Electives		Take 3 elective credits. Any associate degree level course may be taken as an elective.			3	
		Suggested Electives: 501-101 Medical Terminology (3 Cr.) 524-108 PTA Musculoskeletal Anatomy & Function (2 Cr) 510-154 Pathophys. for Health Prof. (3 Cr.) 806-179 Anatomy & Physiology, Advanced (4 Cr)				

Minimum Program Total Credits Required 70

△ Courses may be taken out of suggested sequence as long as requisites have been met.



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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Physical Therapist Assistant is a health profession with the primary purpose of promoting optimal human health and function through the application of scientific principles to prevent, identify, assess, correct, or alleviate acute or prolonged movement dysfunction. The physical therapist assistant (PTA) is a technical health care worker who carries out many patient treatments under the supervision of a physical therapist. PTAs find employment in clinics, hospitals, nursing homes, rehabilitation centers, home care agencies, schools, private health and fitness centers, and other settings.

PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

Graduates of the Physical Therapist Assistant Program should be able to:

1. Demonstrate effective comm. with patients, families, and health care team.
2. Exhibit behaviors and conduct that reflect respect and sensitivity according to PT practice standards.
3. Func. under the super. of a physical therapist in a safe, legal, ethical manner.
4. Produce documentation to support the delivery of PT services.
5. Demonstrate critical thinking skills to implement and adjust a plan of care under the direction and supervision of a physical therapist.
6. Perform technically competent data collection under the direction and supervision of the physical therapist.
7. Perform technically competent PT interventions under the direction and supervision of the physical therapist.
8. Educate patients, families, and other health providers.
9. Integrate components of administrative, operational, and fiscal practices of PT service in a variety of settings.
10. Implement a self-dir. plan for career dev., credentialing, and lifelong learning.

CORE ABILITIES

Gateway believes students need both technical knowledge and skills and core abilities in order to succeed in a career and in life. The following nine core abilities are the general attitudes and skills promoted and assessed by all Gateway programs. All Gateway graduates should be able to:

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| 1. Act responsibly | 6. Respect themselves and others as a member of a diverse community |
| 2. Communicate clearly and effectively | 7. Think critically and creatively |
| 3. Demonstrate essential comp. skills | 8. Work cooperatively |
| 4. Demonstrate essential math skills | 9. Value learning |
| 5. Develop job seeking skills | |

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. Students must submit an application and \$30 fee.
2. Students must complete reading, writing, math, and computer skills placement assessments.
3. Students must submit official high school, GED, or HSED transcript including a graduation or passing date.
4. Students must complete a Background Disclosure form and must request and pay for a background check. Applicants for all health science programs are subject to a review of their criminal backgrounds. Positive background checks may negatively impact your ability to pursue a health career at Gateway Technical College. Each case will be individually evaluated based on all available evidence provided to the college.
5. Students must complete a functional ability form verifying they have read and understand the functional abilities for the program.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Minimum 70 credits with an average of 2.0 or above.
2. *A minimum grade of 2.0 ("C") or above for these major courses.
For a complete list of Graduation Requirements check the Student Handbook.

NOTES

1. Courses 524-144 and 524-146 all have prerequisites of 524-141, 524-139 and 524-142.
2. A satisfactory placement test score (or successful remediation) is required prior to enrollment. See an advisor for details.
3. Students must meet petition requirements before enrolling in 524 courses.
4. Any general studies course may be taken prior to entry in the program, assuming prerequisites and corequisites have been satisfied (or waived with department approval).
5. CPR certification must be obtained and maintained.
6. The prerequisite for this course must have been completed with a minimum grade of a 'C' or better.
7. This program has a second-tier admission process for clinical/practicum/program courses called petitioning. Students are selected based on completion of academic eligibility requirements and district residency. See <https://www.gtc.edu/student-services/admissions/what-petitioning> for additional information.
8. Transfer credits in Social Science may substitute for this course. See an advisor for details.
9. Please note that your program may require additional fee(s) for: Criminal Background Check, Medication Documentation Manager, and/or Drug Testing.

OTHER INFORMATION

Gateway Technical College reserves the right to modify curriculum requirements for students who interrupt enrollment for a period of two years or take over seven years to complete. Tuition and material fees are determined by the board of the Wisconsin Technical College System. Consult Web Advisor for exact fee amounts. Occasionally, the District may offer a particular course out of published sequence. By doing so, the District does not obligate itself to offer succeeding courses out of published sequence.

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To schedule an appointment with an advisor, please call 1-800-247-7122.
For a complete list of course descriptions (and possible online courses) for this program, please consult Web Advisor on our web page at www.gtc.edu.

My advisor is _____. My advisor's contact information is _____.