## **College of Nursing** & Health Sciences FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY **Doctor of** Physical Therapy



The Department of Physical Therapy at Florida International University offers the Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) degree, which is a three-year, 113-credit program. The DPT degree provides the required educational preparation for a professional career as a physical therapist. Our graduates are ethnically and racially diverse physical therapy practitioners poised to help eliminate healthcare disparities in the local, state and national community.

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Each cohort of approximately 62 students follows the identical degree plan with a strict retention policy that is aligned with that of the University Graduate School. The program consists of 34 weeks (12 credit hours) of clinical education. Didactic courses are primarily face-to-face and delivered in classroom or clinical laboratory format. Due to accreditation expectations, students are divided to form two to three lab groups

## Admissions Minimum Requirements

- A BA/BS degree in any academic field from a regionally accredited institution
- Attained a minimum GPA of 3.0 on all listed below:
  - Cumulative (overall); Prerequisite; Upper Division (last 60 credits of the bachelor's degree)
- 60 hours of observation in a physical therapy clinic/facility within the last 3 years.
- GRE scores minimum required test sections:
  - Verbal: 50th percentile
  - Quantitative: 50th percentile
  - Analytical Writing: minimum score of 3.5
- Three (3) letters of reference, two of which must be from a licensed physical therapist.
- Personal Essay
- Met the program prerequisites requirements (visit program website for more information)

## How to Apply:

- 1 Apply through Physical Therapy Centralized Application Service (PTCAS): <u>http://</u> <u>www.ptcas.org/home.aspx</u> by the application deadline.
  - Applicants will be allowed to have two prerequisite courses outstanding at the time of application.
  - If admitted to the program, students MUST complete the outstanding coursework by the start of the Fall semester.
- 2 Complete online FIU supplemental application (Service fee) by deadline: <u>http://gradschool.fiu.edu/</u> <u>admissions.shtml</u>
  - Students are responsible for the costs of required criminal background checks and drug screening.
  - Highly qualified candidates will be offered early interview contingent on completing all admission requirements.

## **Program Highlights**

- 3-year program
- 100% Employment Rate
- Fall admissions
- Early Interview
  Process
- Scholarships available

Applications Accepted Jun 1 - Feb 1

cnhs.fiu.edu 305-348-7703







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