



## PHYSICAL THERAPY DOCTOR OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

Imagine being a member of a coalition of researchers, educators, and practitioners from many professions who work together to improve human health. We transform students into highly skilled health care practitioners who advance the health and well-being of society. Through research, we discover, evaluate, and implement new knowledge to improve models and methods of practice in pharmacy and health sciences from the urban to global levels. Arrive at your health career destination by accepting our invitation to explore the programs of the Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences.

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### WHAT DOES A PHYSICAL THERAPIST DO?

Physical Therapists are dynamic health professionals who develop, coordinate and utilize selected knowledge, skills and techniques in planning, organizing and directing programs for the care of individuals whose ability to function is impaired or threatened by disease or injury. Physical Therapists examine, evaluate, diagnose, plan and provide treatment for persons of all ages who have disabilities or changes in physical function or health status resulting from injury, disease and other causes. The goal of physical therapy is to enhance a person's quality of life and ability to participate in activities. Physical Therapists work in a variety of settings with a variety of persons including those with disabilities, acute injuries and illnesses, pain, developmental delay, and elite athletes.

For more information about a career in physical therapy, please contact:

- APTA (American Physical Therapy Association) (800) 999-APTA or [www.apta.org](http://www.apta.org)
- MPTA (Michigan Physical Therapy Association) (517) 335-0918 or [www.mpta.com](http://www.mpta.com).
- "You Can Be Me - A Career in Physical Therapy" <http://www.apta.org/youcanbeme/>

### WHY PHYSICAL THERAPY?

*"I wanted to help people by educating them about improving their daily habits and incorporating health, wellness, and exercise after an injury."*

- TIMOTHY DUFF  
Physical Therapy Alumnus

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### WHY WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY?

Wayne State University is a premier urban research institution offering more than 370 academic programs through 13 schools and colleges to nearly 28,000 graduate and undergraduate students. The University provides a multidisciplinary approach to research and education, and collaborates closely with government, industry, and other institutions on a range of programs.

The Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (EACPHS) is located on one of the largest academic medical campuses in the United States and puts you in close proximity to the nation's leading health care educators. A degree from the College puts you in good company, with more than 12,000 EACPHS-educated health care professionals working in Michigan.

The Wayne State University Doctor of Physical Therapy program provides classroom and laboratory facilities with state-of-the-art technology, and a faculty made up of highly skilled clinicians, teachers, researchers and leaders in the profession. The resources of the WSU School of Medicine and the Detroit Medical Center are also available to students through learning, research and service opportunities. Graduates of the program consistently score high on physical therapy license examinations.

### HOW DO I APPLY?

The application deadline is **October 15** of each year. The applicant must successfully complete the admission requirements, including application for admission to WSU and the professional program application. Completion of admission requirements does not guarantee an interview or admission into the program.

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- A minimum of 3.0 overall GPA as calculated by PTCAS, a minimum 3.0 GPA in science and math prerequisite courses, and a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA in all prerequisites.
- All grades in prerequisite requirements must be a minimum of "C" or better (2.0 on a 4.0 grade scale).
- A minimum of 90 credit hours.
- General Test of the GRE taken by October 15th.
- GRE minimum scores required: 280 combined verbal & quantitative and 3.0 in writing.
- Math and science prerequisite coursework must be completed by December of application year (one can remain to be completed by May). Non-science prerequisites must be completed by May. General Education requirements must be complete before entering the professional program.

## SCIENCE PREREQUISITE COURSEWORK

BIO 1510 - Basic Life Mechanisms & Lab (LS)

BIO 2870 - Anatomy & Physiology & Lab

BIO 3200 - Human Physiology

Two chemistry courses with at least one lab, as long as topics do not overlap (options include CHM 1020 or 1220/30, CHM 1030 or 1240/1250, and CHM 2220/2230)

PHY 2130/2131 - General Physics I & Lab (PS)

PHY 2140/2141 - General Physics II & Lab

*Science prerequisite requirements must be completed within six years of the time of professional program start.*

## ADDITIONAL PREREQUISITE COURSEWORK

ENG 1020 - Introductory College Writing (BC)

PSY 1010 or 1020 - Introductory Psychology

STA 1020 - Elementary Statistics

Red Cross First Aid/CPR Certification or LFA 2330

A minimum of 6 additional credits in upper division (3000 level +) courses concentrated in one area.

***Students who hold a previous bachelor's degree are exempt from completing the requirements listed below. Students who qualify under the university's MTA transfer policy are exempt from them with the exception of Intermediate Composition (IC) and Oral Communication (OC).***

## UNIVERSITY GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

American Society & Institutions (AI)

Critical Thinking Competency (CT)\*

Foreign Culture (FC)

Historical Studies (HS)

Intermediate Composition (IC)

Oral Communications (OC)\*

Philosophy & Letters (PL)

Social Science (SS)

Visual & Performing Arts (VP)

\* Exam option: see [www.testing.wayne.edu](http://www.testing.wayne.edu)



**TIMOTHY DUFF** is an outpatient orthopedic physical therapist at All Pro Physical Therapy, where he works with patients as well as supervising and training two PT Assistants. His experiences with injured friends and family in his youth lead him to pursue the field, as he witnessed the progress a patient can make with PT. While a student at WSU, he faced challenges but says, "I was able to persevere with the support of my classmates and help of the faculty." He has been able to take the skill set the program provided and expand it based on his interests. He sees the program as providing "good training in beginning a career with general knowledge of all things PT."

## GENERAL DEADLINES FOR ADMISSION

**PROGRAM APPLICATION DUE** - October 15

For application information:

<http://cphs.wayne.edu/physical-therapy/>

**PTCAS APPLICATION:** [www.ptcas.org](http://www.ptcas.org)

The program participates in an **Early Decision** program. For details and deadlines, see [www.ptcas.org](http://www.ptcas.org).

**WSU GRADUATE APPLICATION DUE** - October 15

WSU Graduate School Application:

<http://wayne.edu/admissions/graduate>

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

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