Doctor of Physical Therapy, DPT

Requirements

The Doctor of Physical Therapy requires a minimum of 104 s.h. and is completed in two and a half years. Students must maintain a program grade-point average of at least 3.00.

The program is fully accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education. Satisfactory completion of the professional program qualifies candidates to take the National Physical Therapy Exam for licensure to practice. The minimum passing score on the exam is the same in all jurisdictions.

The Doctor of Physical Therapy degree requires the following coursework.

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