

# Physical Rehabilitation Science, MA

The Master of Arts in physical rehabilitation science is granted to students working toward the Doctor of Philosophy in physical rehabilitation science.

## Learning Outcomes

Graduates will be prepared for research appointments that emphasize research in rehabilitation science. They will possess:

- theoretical and scientific knowledge to perform basic, applied, or clinical-level original research that leads to scientific presentations, publication in peer-reviewed journals, and competition for extramural funding through scientific grant writing; and
- breadth of knowledge in exercise physiology, biomechanics, neuroscience, or motor control specialty areas as they relate to impairment, functional limitation, and disability.

## Requirements

The Master of Arts in physical rehabilitation science is awarded to students pursuing knowledge about the underlying science of rehabilitation. The MA degree does not prepare students to practice physical therapy. Students often work toward the Doctor of Philosophy in physical rehabilitation science with the goal of promoting scholarship in the field. See the PhD in physical rehabilitation science in this section of the catalog.

## Graduate Education

Graduate education prepares students with advanced knowledge and skills in specialized fields. At the University of Iowa, the Graduate College advocates for student-centered graduate education and supports equitable application of rules and policies across graduate programs.

## Academics

University of Iowa graduate credentials are regulated by policies and requirements found in the Graduate College Manual of Rules and Regulations. This includes minimum grade-point average (GPA) requirements for academic standing and degree conferral. The Graduate College sets the minimum requirement. Individual graduate programs may establish higher GPA requirements.

## Admissions

Graduate student applicants must meet admission requirements for both the Graduate College and the program to which they have applied. University of Iowa graduate admission requirements are published by the Graduate College and on the Graduate Admissions website.

## Financial Support

Graduate students might be eligible for financial support. Several contingencies apply, including degree program and award type, satisfactory progress toward degree, satisfactory

completion of all duties related to an appointment, and availability of funding. Graduate students should inquire directly with their program for more information about funding availability. The Graduate Student Employment Standards govern the employment relationship between the University of Iowa and all graduate teaching and research assistants in all matters except wages, which are covered by an existing collective bargaining agreement or the conditions of an applicable federal grant.