

Bachelor of Science Degree in Physical Therapist Assistant

Effective Fall 2025



Clarkson College has a signed articulation agreement with Southeast Community College (SCC). Students who complete an approved associate degree at SCC are guaranteed general admission into a corresponding baccalaureate degree program at Clarkson College.

By completing the Associate of Applied Science in Physical Therapist Assistant (AASPTA) at Southeast Community College, students transfer 56 semester hours as a direct transfer package into the Bachelor of Science in Physical Therapist Assistant degree at Clarkson College. The following degree plan outlines the courses needed to complete this degree. The Bachelor of Science in Physical Therapist Assistant degree may be completed 100% online in as few as 4 semesters.

Direct transfer package granted for completion of the AAS in Physical Therapist Assistant degree: 56 semester hours

Pre-requisite 56 semester hours

COURSE	COURSE TITLE	HOURS	INSTITUTION	SEMESTER COMPLETED	GRADE
AS or AAS in PTA	Direct Transfer (Must include Human Anatomy and Human Physiology)	56			

Core Courses 9 credits

Must be taken at Clarkson College

COURSE	COURSE TITLE	HOURS	INSTITUTION	SEMESTER COMPLETED	GRADE
HCC *	Healthcare Communication	3	Clarkson College		
HUM	Humanities	3	Clarkson College		
EEA	Ethics, Empathy and Advocacy	3	Clarkson College		

* Designated service course

General Courses 12 credits

COURSE	COURSE TITLE	HOURS	INSTITUTION	SEMESTER COMPLETED	GRADE
IPE 301	Interprofessional Education	0	Clarkson College		
ENG 101	English Composition I	3			
ENG 102	English Composition II	3			
MAT 310	Statistics	3			
PSY 101	Introduction to Psychology	3			

Additional General Courses (by concentration)

Students will choose one (1) concentration to complete.

Leadership Concentration 30 credits

COURSE	COURSE TITLE	HOURS	INSTITUTION	SEMESTER COMPLETED	GRADE
BUS 375	Concepts of Leadership	2			
BUS 262	Business Communications and Marketing	3			
BUS 335	Managing Healthcare Departments	3			
PTA 307	Outcome Measures and Reporting for the PTA	3			
BIO 122	Nutrition Science	3			
PTA 351	Organizational Leadership and Practice Integration	1			
PTA 451	Community Leadership and Practice Integration	1			
	Total Required Credits	16			
Students select 14 credit hours from the following courses:					
BUS 140	Healthcare Delivery Systems	2			
HIM 180	Essentials of Pharmacology	2			
BUS 420	Long Term Care Management	3			
BUS 357	Healthcare Accounting and Financial Mgmt	4			
BUS 318	Human Resources & Organizational Behavior	3			
CHL	Community Health electives	Varies			
GEN, PSY	General Education and Psychology Electives	Varies			

Pre-Physical Therapy Concentration 30 credits

COURSE	COURSE TITLE	HOURS	INSTITUTION	SEMESTER COMPLETED	GRADE
MAT 130	College Algebra	3			
BIO 110/BIO 110L	Fundamentals of Biology I	4			
BIO 111/BIO 111L	Fundamentals of Biology II	4			
CHM 150/CHM 150L	General Chemistry I	4			
CHM 151/CHM 151L	General Chemistry II	4			
PHY 200/PHY 200L	Physics I	4			
PHY 205/PHY 205L	Physics II	4			
	Total Required Credits	27			
Students select 3 credit hours from the following courses:					
PTA 307	Outcome Measures and Reporting for the PTA	3			
Electives		Varies			

Major Courses 15 credits

COURSE	COURSE TITLE	HOURS	INSTITUTION	SEMESTER COMPLETED	GRADE
PTA 260 *	Evidence Based Practice and Ethics in Physical Therapy	3	Clarkson College		
PTA 330	Advanced Neurological and Cardiopulmonary Interventions/ Lab	3	Clarkson College		

PTA 335	Advanced Musculoskeletal System Interventions/ Lab	3	Clarkson College		
PTA 370	Physical Therapy Acute to Chronic Care	3	Clarkson College		
PTA 475	Capstone	3	Clarkson College		

* Designated service course

Total semester hours 122

Service Requirement Bachelor programs require students to complete service experiences in Intercultural Communications Core and a minimum of one program-designated service course. Service experiences must be passed successfully to pass the class.

Interprofessional Education Requirement (IPE) All programs require students to successfully pass IPE 301 before graduation.

Intercultural Development Inventory (IDI) All programs require students to complete the Intercultural Development Inventory (IDI) assessments and debrief before graduation.

Residency Requirement At least 27 semester hours must be completed at Clarkson College for a Bachelor's degree.

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