

## Physical Therapy

sion to the MPT-DPT program requires a two-part application. The application process begins with the CSU Graduate/Postbaccalaureate application, which is submitted online at <http://www.csumentor.edu>. The application will be automatically forwarded to the second part of the application which will list program specific application requirements.

Physical Therapy Program Application Filing Period: October 1 through November 15.

In addition to the CSU Graduate/Postbaccalaureate application and university required transcripts from each prior institution attended by the applicant, the Physical Therapy Program also requires a separate program application, official GRE test scores, and additional transcript from each institution attended (including previous spring and summer terms), observation verification, and letters of reference. GRE scores are considered during program admissions; however, there is no minimum GRE requirement. Late transcripts or documentation will result in not being considered. Follow program application instructions provided after submitting the CSUMentor application at [www.csumentor.edu](http://www.csumentor.edu). Please review the Graduate Studies section in this catalog for additional graduate admissions information.

Pre-Admission Requirements for MPT-DPT program

### *Lower-division*

Human Physiology

Fresno State: BIOL 65

Transfer: Human physiology with lab.

Chemistry

Fresno State: CHEM 1A or 3A, and CHEM 3B with labs

Transfer: Inorganic and organic or biochemistry with labs

Psychology

Fresno State: PSYCH 10

Transfer: General psychology

Physics

Fresno State: PHYS 2A, 2B

Transfer: Physics with lab including mechanics, heat, light, sound, and electricity

Statistics

Fresno State: HS 92 or Math 11

Transfer: Introduction to basic statistics

The screening committee reviews admission criteria. Prior to admission to the program,

the applicant must meet the following requirements:

1. Hold or be eligible to receive a bachelor's degree by the end of the spring semester prior to admission to the program.
2. Have completed or be currently enrolled in the specified lower-division prerequisite courses at time of application. All lower-division courses must be completed by the end of the fall semester prior to admission to the program.
3. Submit GRE test scores by the end of the fall semester prior to admission to the program. Students are encouraged to take the GRE early to avoid delays in acceptance for graduate work.
4. Enroll in upper-division prerequisite courses during the spring semester prior to admission to the program
5. Receive a grade of *C* or better in each prerequisite course and maintain a total prerequisite GPA of 3.0. An overall GPA of 3.0 on the last 60 units completed is required. *CR/NC* grades, correspondence courses, or independent study courses cannot be used for prerequisite requirements. Only those prerequisite courses completed by the end of the fall semester in which application is made will be counted toward ranking of candidates for selection into the graduate program.
6. Provide evidence of knowledge of physical therapy through employment, volunteer work, or observation in a physical therapy department for a minimum of 100 hours. Fifty hours must be in a general in-patient setting; 50 hours may be in a special area of practice. All observation hours must be under the supervision of a licensed physical therapist.
7. Submit three letters of recommendation, as specified in application instructions.
8. Participate in a personal interview.
9. Submit grades and final transcripts from institutions other than Fresno State as soon as grades are posted. Transcripts should be requested prior to the end of the term.

Meeting the foregoing criteria does not guarantee acceptance into the MPT-DPT program. Students transferring from community colleges and other colleges or universities who meet the foregoing criteria are considered on the same basis as California State University, Fresno students applying

for admission to the program. An applicant must meet the above criteria to be considered for conditionally classified standing in the graduate program.

### **Classified Graduate Standing**

In addition to meeting all admission requirements listed above, the following additional criteria must be met for the applicant to be considered for classified graduate standing:

1. Completion of all (31 units) of coursework listed below with a cum GPA of 3.0 each, and a *C* or better in every course.
2. Be recommended by the physical therapy faculty.

An applicant admitted with conditionally classified standing may be granted classified standing upon meeting the above requirements.

#### *Pre-Professional Courses*

#### *for the MPT-DPT Program*

*Units*

<b>Biological Sciences</b> .....	<b>19</b>
BIOL 166; PHTH 119, 125, 126, 127; KINES 118	

<b>Behavioral Sciences Category</b> .....	<b>6</b>
PHTH 106; PSYCH 169 or RLS 125	

<b>Pre-Clinical Sciences Category</b> .....	<b>6</b>
PHTH 105, 107	

<b>Total</b> .....	<b>31</b>
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For department application or admission information, write to the following address and enclose a self-addressed, stamped, legal-size envelope:

#### Admissions Coordinator

Department of Physical Therapy

College of Health and Human Services

California State University, Fresno

2345 E. San Ramon Ave. M/S MH29

Fresno, CA 93740-8031

The MPT-DPT program is open to all college graduates with a bachelor's degree who have met upper- and lower-division prerequisite requirements and show intellectual promise and ability to perform at a satisfactory level during their graduate studies.

#### Criteria for Departmental Retention and Progression

Criteria for retention in the MPT-DPT program and progression to the next semester in the program:

1. Maintaining a minimum 3.0 GPA each semester in the program