Physical Therapist Assistant

ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE(AS) 2025 - 2026

General Education (23 hours)

This Associate in Science degree consists of a minimum of 74 college-level semester hours with at least 23 semester hours of General Education Core courses. The General Education Core courses are chosen for their appropriateness for each degree and represent courses from each of the following disciplines: humanities/fine arts, natural science/mathematics, behavioral science/ social science and communications. Consult with your Faculty Advisor if you have any questions.

Commun	ications	(3/4	credits

ENC1101 English Composition I ● +*	3
□ ENC1101C Enhanced English Comp. I • +*	4

Humanities (3 credits) Select one Humanities course

Humanities 1-Visual & Performing Arts

☐ ARH2000 Understanding Visual Arts•* ☐ MUL2010 Understanding Music•*	3
☐ THE2000 Understanding Theater•*	3
Humanities 2-Philosophy/Religion	

Prerequisite ENC1101 or ENC1101C with grade "C" or higher.

☐ HUM2020 Introduction to Humanities •+*	
☐ PHI2010 Intro. to Philosophy •+*	
Humanities 3-Literature	
Prerequisite ENC1102 with grade "C" or higher.	

☐ LIT2000 Literature and Culture •+*

Mathematics (3 credits) Select one Mathematics Course

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It is highly recommended that the student take either MAC1105 or STA2023 to meet the mathematics requirement.

☐ MGF1130 Mathematical Thinking • +*	3
☐ STA2023 Statistics • +*	3
☐ MAC1105 College Algebra • +*	3
☐ MAC2311 Calculus with Geometry I • +*	4
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Natural Sciences (8 credits)

Biological Sciences

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☐ BSC2085 Anatomy & Physiology I • +*	3
☐ BSC2085L Anatomy & Physiology I Lab+*	1
☐ BSC2086 Anatomy & Physiology II+*	3
☐ BSC2086L Anatomy & Physiology II Lab+*	1

Social Sciences (6 credits)

Behavioral Science

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Select one of the Following

History

☐ AMH2010 United States History I●@%*	3
☐ AMH2020 United States History II • @*	3

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Major Courses (51 hours)

Upon successful completion of the prescribed course of study, students will receive an Associate in Science degree. Graduates are eligible to take the Physical Therapist Assistant licensing examination and the Florida laws and rules examination. Graduates wishing to be employed in Florida are required, under Chapter 486, Florida State Physical Therapy Practice Act, to be licensed. The Physical Therapist Assistant program is an intensive, full-time program that is designed to be completed in two years. Once selected into the program, the courses must be taken sequentially and are offered only once per

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HSC1531 Medical Terminology#*

PHT1000 Intro. to Physical Therapy+#*	2
☐ PHT1102 Applied Anatomy for PTAs+#*	2
☐ PHT1102L Applied Anat. Lab for PTAs+#*	1
☐ PHT1200 Basic Skills in Patient+#*	2
☐ PHT1200L Basic Skills Patient Care Lab+#*	2
☐ PHT1124 Functional Human Motion+#*	2
☐ PHT1124L Functional Human Motion Lab+#*	1
☐ PHT1131 Assess., Measure., Document+#*	1
PHT1131L Assess., Measure., Docum. Lab+#*	2
☐ PHT1220 Intro. to Therapeutic Exercise+*	3
☐ PHT1220L Intro. to Therapeutic Exerc. Lab+*	2
PHT2224 Therap. Inter. I: Med./Surgical Disab.+#*	2
☐ PHT2224L Therapeutic Interventions I Lab+#*	1
☐ PHT2211 Therapeutic Modalities+#*	2
PHT2211L Therapeutic Modalities Lab+#*	2
☐ PHT2225 Therap. Inter. II: Ortho. Disab.+#*	3
☐ PHT2225L Therapeutic Intervent. II Lab+#*	2
☐ PHT2226 Therap. Inter. III: Neuro. Disab. +#*	3
PHT2226L Therapeutic Intervent. III Lab+#*	2
PHT2801 PTA Clinical Practice I+#*	4
PHT2810 PTA Clinical Practice II+#*	-
PHT2820 PTA Clinical Practice III+#*	4

Other AS Requirements

☐ General Education Core Requirement

PHT2931 Seminar+#*

Successful completion of at least one dotted core course from each of the five major general education areas: Communications, Humanities, Mathematics, Natural Sciences, Social Sciences

☐ Civic Literacy Requirement (@) Successful completion of AMH 2020 OR POS 2041 AND passing score on the Florida Civic Literacy Exam (FCLE)

Developmental Courses

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☐ ENC0022 Dev. Writing I & II Combined*
☐ REA0019 Dev. Reading I & II Combined*
MAT0012 Dev. Arithmetic with Algebra*

Requirements

Melinda Cumbaa (N-Z)

Adam Padgett (A-M)

In order to be eligible for the PTA Program, you need to have a minimum GPA of 2.5. show competency in English/Math with testing or course completion, and complete at least 10 observation hours with a licensed PT or PTA.

Faculty Advisors:

You may complete any of the general education courses prior to entering the PTA program. For the program, you must earn a "C" or higher in each course. The grades earned in the courses highlighted in yellow will enhance your PTA application score for program selection purposes.

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- + = Prerequisite or co-requisite required
- * = Minimum grade of "C" required
- @ = Course meets Civic Literacy Requirement
- •= General Education Core course #=Applies to A.S. and Certificate Programs %=Must be taken Fall 2024 or later