

Physical Therapist Assistant Courses

Award: Associate of Applied Science (AAS)

Required number of credits: 71

Program Start: Summer

2021–2022 Suggested Sequence of Study



The following suggested sequence of study is for new full-time students starting the program Fall 2021, Spring 2022, or Summer 2022. Part-time students should visit with a program advisor for a modified sequence of study.



When registering for classes refer to your Academic Evaluation to see your specific program requirements and ensure proper registration.



Courses are subject to change.

◆ General education course.

► Course has a prerequisite and/or corequisite.

O Course meets 100% online.

E Course meets face-to-face after 5:00pm.

4WK2 Course meets the last 4 weeks of the term.

12WK1 Course meets the first 12 weeks of the term.

Pre-Program Coursework

A minimum of one semester of high school or college level physics class with a grade of "C" or higher must be completed by the end of Term 0 to be considered for transition from pre-program to in-program status.

BIO-168 must be completed with a grade of "B" or higher within the last ten years of starting the Physical Therapist Assistant program coursework unless waived by the program chair.

BIO-173 must be completed with a grade of "B" or higher.

A cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher must be achieved for Term 0 and Term 1 coursework.

All pre-program coursework must be scheduled to be completed no later than the end of Term 1 – Spring prior to the program's summer start.

Also see [Admissions Requirements](#) for more information.

You are not eligible for the Iowa Vocational Technical Tuition Grant while taking prerequisite courses.

Term 0: Pre-Program Prerequisites

BIO-168	Human Anatomy and Physiology I	E	4	◆
ENG-105	Composition I ►	O E	3	◆
HSC-108	Introduction to Health Professions <i>Must be completed by the end of Term 0</i>		2	
PSY-111	Introduction to Psychology	O E	3	◆
SPC-101	Fundamentals of Oral Communication	O E	3	◆
Total Credits 15				

Term 1 – Spring

BIO-173	Human Anatomy and Physiology II ►	E	4	◆
HSC-113	Medical Terminology		2	
MAT-110	Math for Liberal Arts ►	O E	3	◆
PSY-121	Developmental Psychology	O E	3	◆
Total Credits 12				

Technical Program Coursework

Term 2 – Summer

PTA-120 Kinesiology ▶		3
PTA-150 Pathophysiology ▶		3
PTA-310 PTA Clinical I ▶	4WK2	1
		Total Credits 7

Term 3 – Fall

PTA-111 PTA Fundamentals ▶	12WK1	4
PTA-194 Therapeutic Agents I ▶	12WK1	3
PTA-211 Musculoskeletal I ▶	12WK1	3
PTA-231 Therapeutic Exercise for PTA ▶	12WK1	3
PTA-350 PTA Clinical II ▶	4WK2	2
		Total Credits 15

Term 4 – Spring

PTA-113 Fundamentals for PTA II ▶	12WK1	3
PTA-195 Therapeutic Agents II ▶	12WK1	3
PTA-212 Musculoskeletal II ▶	12WK1	3
PTA-248 PTA Neurology ▶	12WK1	4
PTA-400 PTA Clinical III ▶	4WK2	2
		Total Credits 15

Term 5 – Summer

PTA-284 PTA Professional Issues ▶		2
PTA-450 PTA Clinical IV ▶		5
		Total Credits 7