

Physical Therapist Assistant AAS Degree Courses

Award	Associate of Applied Science (AAS)
Credits	56
Program Start	Summer
Time to Complete	1½ years

2022–2023 Suggested Sequence of Study



The following suggested sequence of study is for new full-time students starting the program Summer 2023.

Part-time students should visit with a program advisor for a modified sequence of study.



When registering for classes refer to Self-Service > Student Planning to view your specific program requirements, your progress, and ensure proper registration.



Courses are subject to change.

◆ General education course.

▶ Course has a prerequisite and/or corequisite.

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.

Term 0 and Term 1 coursework must be completed with a grade of "C-" or higher with the exception of BIO-168 and BIO-173 which 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 — Prerequisites

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

Term 1 — Spring

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

Technical Program Coursework

Term 2 — Summer *

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

Total Credits 7

* Term 2 — Summer requires students to be on campus two mornings per week.

Term 3 — Fall

PTA-350 PTA Clinical II ▶	4WK2	2
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

Total Credits 15

Term 4 — Spring

PTA-400 PTA Clinical III ▶	4WK2	2
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

Total Credits 15

Term 5 — Summer

PTA-284 PTA Professional Issues ▶		2
PTA-450 PTA Clinical IV ▶		5

Total Credits 7