

PTCAS WALKTHROUGH 2026-2027

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PTCAS: the physical therapist
centralized application service



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PTCAS, the physical therapist centralized application service provided by APTA, allows you to apply to multiple physical therapist education programs with one application and set of resources.

IMPORTANT DETAILS

The PTCAS application will open on June 15th.

The first day the application can be submitted is July 1st.

***Note:** some schools do not start their admissions cycle until July or August so you may not see them as a program choice on the PTCAS application during the month of June.

Record your username and password in a secure and convenient location.

Print your completed application for your records before submitting it to PTCAS. Do not send the printed application via mail.

Make sure to go off each individual program's deadline.



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HELPFUL APPLICATION TIPS

- DO NOT ENTER YOUR COURSEWORK FROM MEMORY—USE YOUR TRANSCRIPTS!
- DO NOT WAIT FOR PTCAS TO RECEIVE ALL MATERIALS BEFORE SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION.
- DO NOT WAIT FOR PTCAS TO RECEIVE ALL OF YOUR MATERIALS BEFORE YOU SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION.
- COMPLETE THE "COLLEGES ATTENDED" SECTION OF THE APPLICATION FIRST. PTCAS CANNOT POST TRANSCRIPTS TO YOUR APPLICATION UNTIL THIS STEP IS DONE.
- [LOGIN](#) TO CHECK STATUS OF YOUR TRANSCRIPTS, REFERENCES, GRE SCORES, and PT Observation forms.
- ARRANGE FOR ALL MATERIALS TO ARRIVE BY THE DEADLINE.
- CHECK YOUR EMAIL DAILY FOR IMPORTANT MESSAGES FROM PTCAS AND PROGRAMS.
- REVIEW YOUR APPLICATION FOR ACCURACY BEFORE SUBMITTING THE APPLICATION.

PTCAS CHECKLIST

FOLLOW THESE STEPS FIRST

- VISIT THE [APPLICANT HELP CENTER](#) AND PROGRAM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS.
- CREATE A NEW [PTCAS APPLICATION ACCOUNT](#).
- COMPLETE THE "[COLLEGES ATTENDED](#)" SECTION FIRST BY ENTERING ALL INSTITUTIONS ATTENDED.
- PRINT A **PTCAS TRANSCRIPT MATCHING FORM** FOR EACH INSTITUTION ATTENDED.
- ARRANGE FOR ALL [OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS](#) TO BE SENT TO PTCAS WITH TRANSCRIPT MATCHING FORM ENCLOSED.
- ENTER ALL UNITED STATES AND CANADIAN COLLEGE COURSES USING PERSONAL COPIES OF YOUR TRANSCRIPTS.

COMPLETE NEXT STEPS, IF REQUIRED BY SELECTED PROGRAMS

- [ENTER ALL GRADUATE RECORD EXAMINATION \(GRE\) SCORES ON THE APPLICATION AND ARRANGE FOR ETS TO SEND YOUR OFFICIAL TEST SCORES.](#)
- COMPLETE THE REFERENCE SECTION, SO YOUR EVALUATORS HAVE ADEQUATE TIME TO RESPOND.
- COMPLETE THE OBSERVATION HOURS SECTION, SO A LICENSED PHYSICAL THERAPIST CAN VERIFY YOUR EXPERIENCES.
- SUBMIT SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS DIRECTLY TO YOUR SELECTED PROGRAMS.

BEFORE STARTING THE PTCAS APPLICATION:

PRIOR TO APPLYING YOU WILL WANT TO RESEARCH PROGRAMS YOU WISH TO APPLY TO. STUDENTS USUALLY APPLY TO 6 PROGRAMS.

PAY SPECIAL ATTENTION TO:

- CYCLE DATES AND DEADLINE REQUIREMENTS. IN SOME INSTANCES, THE INDIVIDUAL PROGRAM'S DEADLINE MAY DIFFER FROM THE APPLICATION'S CYCLE DATES.
 - APPLICATION FEES. SOME PROGRAMS MAY HAVE A SUPPLEMENTAL FEE; CONTACT YOUR PROGRAMS TO LEARN IF THEY REQUIRE THIS AND HOW TO PAY IT.
 - EVALUATION REQUIREMENTS.
 - MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS, INCLUDING PREREQUISITES, STANDARDIZED TEST SCORES, SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATIONS, FOREIGN EVALUATIONS, ETC.
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A NOTE ABOUT ETIQUETTE

APTA PTCAS EXPECTS ALL APPLICANTS TO EXHIBIT PROFESSIONALISM WHEN CONTACTING CUSTOMER SERVICE. APPLICANTS MUST IDENTIFY THEMSELVES PROPERLY AND HONESTLY, AS INFORMATION CANNOT BE PROVIDED TO PARENTS, SPOUSES, FAMILY MEMBERS, OR FRIENDS. MISREPRESENTATION OF IDENTITY AND/OR DISHONEST, THREATENING, OR OFFENSIVE COMMUNICATION WILL NOT BE TOLERATED.

APTA CORE VALUES

APTA has identified seven core values that define the critical elements of professionalism in physical therapy. These core values are listed below in alphabetical order with no preference or ranking given to them. The seven values identified were of sufficient breadth and depth to incorporate the many values and attributes that are part of physical therapist professionalism.

- Accountability
- Altruism
- Compassion/Caring
- Excellence
- Integrity
- Professional Duty
- Social Responsibility

Applicants are encouraged to read more about each of the seven core values by [visiting the APTA webpage devoted to the core values](#). Doing so will help applicants to understand the definition and sample indicators for each core value, including a description of what the physical therapist would be doing in practice, education, and/or research if these core values were present.



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PTCAS BACKGROUND CHECKS

OVERVIEW

BACKGROUND CHECKS VARY WIDELY FROM PROGRAM TO PROGRAM. SOME PROGRAMS REQUIRE APPLICANT BACKGROUND CHECKS PRIOR TO ACCEPTANCE, WHILE OTHERS REQUIRE THESE CHECKS AS A CONDITION OF MATRICULATION. FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT BACKGROUND CHECKS – INCLUDING WHEN IN THE APPLICATION PROCESS THIS MUST BE COMPLETED – CONTACT EACH OF YOUR PROGRAMS DIRECTLY.

BACKGROUND CHECKS REFLECT ALL PRIOR CONVICTIONS, GUILTY PLEAS, CITY ORDINANCE CITATIONS (SUCH AS PUBLIC INTOXICATION), ILLEGAL POSSESSION(S) INCLUDING POSSESSION OF ALCOHOL UNDER THE LEGAL AGE, PAYMENTS OF FINES (INCLUDING THOSE FOR TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS), AND IN SOME CASES, PRIOR RECORDS THOUGHT TO HAVE BEEN EXPUNGED. NOTE THAT IN SOME STATES, COMMON TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS CAN BE CONSIDERED MISDEMEANORS.

PROGRAMS THAT REQUIRE BACKGROUND CHECKS

PTCAS HAS PARTNERED WITH [CERTIPHI SCREENING](#) TO OFFER PARTICIPATING PROGRAMS THE OPTION OF A NATIONAL CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK (CBC) PROCESS FOR ACCEPTED APPLICANTS. IF YOU RECEIVE AN OFFER OF ADMISSION FROM A CBC PARTICIPATING PROGRAM, CERTIPHI SCREENING WILL EMAIL YOU WITH INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO COMPLETE THE BACKGROUND CHECK PROCESS. RECEIPT OF THIS EMAIL INDICATES THAT THE CBC IS REQUIRED AS PART OF YOUR ACCEPTANCE TO THE PROGRAM.

FEE PAYMENTS

BEFORE A CBC CAN BE COMPLETED, YOU MUST PAY A REQUIRED FEE OF \$77.75 USD, WHICH IS PAYABLE BY CREDIT CARD, DEBIT CARD, OR PAYPAL.



FEES & FEE WAIVERS

Fees

PTCAS charges \$175 for the first program you apply to and \$75 for each additional program.

Some programs may have an additional supplemental fee; contact your programs to learn if they require this and how to pay it.

Fee Assistance Program

Beginning at the start of the cycle, a limited number of fee waivers are provided to qualified applicants on a first-come, first-served basis. Each fee waiver covers only the initial application fee, so if you wish to apply to additional programs, you are responsible for the remaining balance. If you received a fee waiver during a previous cycle, you may still apply for another in the next cycle.

You may request a fee waiver as soon as you create an application, but keep in mind that fee waiver funds can be quickly depleted. Contact customer service at [617-612-2040](tel:617-612-2040) before you submit a fee waiver request to determine if waivers are still available.

Low Income Levels for 2026-2027 Cycle Awards*

If applicable, use the following chart to help you determine if you come from an economically disadvantaged background.

Size of Family*	Income Level**
1	\$31,920
2	\$43,280
3	\$54,640
4	\$66,000
5	\$77,360
6	\$88,720
7	\$100,080
8	\$111,440
For each additional person add:	\$11,360

FEE WAIVER QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

To qualify for a fee waiver, you must have either:

- Filed a 2025 Income Tax Return Form 1040 with an adjusted gross income that falls below the Low Income Level listed below, or
- Been listed as a dependent on a filed 2025 Federal Income Tax Return Form 1040 with an adjusted gross income that falls below the Low Income Level (see previous slide). **If you were claimed as a dependent by a parent or guardian on their 2025 Federal Income Tax Return, PTCAS requires you to use that individual's Federal Income Tax Return instead of your own.**

Additionally, you must request a fee waiver **before** you submit your application. Requests received after an application has been submitted will not be honored.

If you are approved for a fee waiver, you are required to submit your application within 14 days (including holidays and weekends). Extensions will not be granted; failure to submit your application on time will void your fee waiver and you will not be allowed to reapply for a waiver.

Applying for a Fee Waiver

Determine when to apply for your waiver.	Keep in mind that fee waivers are limited and only valid for 14 days (including holidays and weekends) from the time you are approved. Be ready to submit your application if you are approved.
Start your application.	You must have an account to apply for a fee waiver. Fee assistance applications are not accepted by mail or email.
Complete and submit your fee assistance application.	1. Click on your name in the upper right corner of the application, then select Fee Assistance Program. 2. Enter your household's adjusted gross income for 2023 and the current number of members in your household. Note that "size of family" includes the number of people claimed as dependents on the tax report. 3. Upload a copy of the filed 2023 Federal Income Tax Return Form 1040. This form was either filed by you or by someone who listed you as a dependent (such as a parent or guardian). You must upload the full tax return form; summary printouts are not accepted. Remember, if you were listed as a dependent, you must submit that individual's tax return form instead of your own.
Await notification.	Once you submit your fee waiver request, it can take up to 10 business days to process. The status of your request will be sent to both your email address and your application inbox. While your fee waiver request is pending, you are unable to submit your application. To submit your application and forfeit your waiver request, return to the Fee Assistance Program section and click Cancel Request. Once you submit your application, you are ineligible to apply for another fee waiver.
Submit your application and pay any remaining balance.	If you are approved, the waiver amount of \$170 will be automatically deducted from your total fees, and you are responsible for any remaining balance. Contact customer service immediately if you do not see the waiver amount deducted. Remember to submit your application within 14 days of your approval (including holidays and weekends). Outstanding transcripts, references, and/or test scores do not have to be received within this timeframe.

ACCOUNT CREATION

To begin, click the “Create an Account” button on the PTCAS application homepage. Enter a username, password, security question, and valid contact information. Click on the “Create My Account” button to activate a new account and unique PTCAS identification number. You are not permitted to create more than 1 PTCAS account per application cycle! Duplicate accounts will result in significant processing delays and problems with application materials! PTCAS will delete duplicate accounts, including associated documents!

Welcome!

PTCAS is a service provided by the American Physical Therapy Association, the national organization representing the physical therapy profession. PTCAS simplifies the PT school application process by allowing you to apply to multiple programs with only one application.

Visit the [Applicant Help Center](#) for support on completing components of the application. For more information about each program, visit the [PTCAS Directory](#).

This is the beginning of your journey toward a fulfilling and respected career as a health care provider. The PT profession is one of the fastest growing health care careers nationwide and is consistently ranked in the top ten of the Best Health Care Jobs list by U.S. News & World Report.



Sign In

Email*

Password*

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SIGN IN

New to PTCAS?

[CREATE ACCOUNT](#)

PTCAS

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AdventHealth University

Alabama State University

Allen College

Alvernia University

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PRIORITY DEADLINE

Search

No Value

01/04/2027

01/15/2027

02/01/2027

Emory University

Doctor of Physical Therapy	08/09/2027	Atlanta	GA	N/A	Nov 16, 2026, 11:59 PM EST	Accredited	\$129,546.00	\$129,546.00	+
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Georgia Southern University - Armstrong Campus

Program	Program S...	City	State	Priority De...	Deadline	Accreditat...	Total Cost ...	Total Cost ...	Actions
Doctor of Physical Therapy	5/10/2027	Savannah	GA	09/01/2025	Oct 1, 2026, 11:59 PM...	Accredited	\$35,427.00	\$126,636.00	✓

Georgia State University

Program	Program S...	City	State	Priority De...	Deadline	Accreditat...	Total Cost ...	Total Cost ...	Actions
Doctor of Physical Therapy	06/07/2027	Atlanta	GA	08/17/2026	Oct 15, 2026, 11:59 PM...	Accredited	\$59,000.00	\$154,000.00	✓

Mercer University

Program	Program S...	City	State	Priority De...	Deadline	Accreditat...	Total Cost ...	Total Cost ...	Actions
Doctor of Physical Therapy	08/16/2027	Atlanta	GA	October 1, 2026	Nov 16, 2026, 11:59 PM EST	Accredited	\$103,728.49	\$103,728.49	✓

Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine - Georgia Campus (US Applicants Only)

Program	Program S...	City	State	Priority De...	Deadline	Accreditat...	Total Cost ...	Total Cost ...	Actio
					Jun 1, 2027,		\$115,838.00	\$115,838.00	↑

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Once you have created an account, you must select at least one PT school or college to which you will be applying. It is best to add all programs you are applying to at this point. You can always add more programs later or remove a program prior to submission of the application if you opt not to apply to this program. After you submit, you can only add new programs---you can NOT delete or substitute program selections. Once you have added one or more programs to which you are applying, you will need to review the list of designations schools and colleges, and then advance to the application. The average applicant applies to 6 programs.

PTCAS RELEASE STATEMENT

- There are 3 main parts to the Release Statement section. You must review and respond to the following release statements in order to submit your application:

Pre-submission Release of Information

By answering “yes,” you authorize PTCAS to release your name and contact information to your selected programs before you submit your final application. You are encouraged to select “yes” so that your selected programs can send you important information about their specific admissions processes before you complete your application.

Advisor Release

Selecting YES allows PTCAS to release certain information to Pre-Health advisors. We encourage you to authorize release, as it is useful to our office in assisting you and future applicants!

Certification and Authorization statement

Serves as your legal signature, and is binding

The screenshot shows the PTCAS application interface. On the left is a teal sidebar with icons for Home, Application, Documents, Profile, Release Statement (highlighted), Biographic Information, Contact Information, Citizenship Information, Race & Ethnicity, Parent/Guardian, Economic/Educational/ Environmental Factors, Other Information, What's Next?, and a bottom section for Previous. The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column, titled 'PERSONAL INFORMATION 1/10', lists various sections: Extended Profile, Fee Waivers, Release Statement (highlighted), Biographic Information, Contact Information, Citizenship Information, Race & Ethnicity, Parent/Guardian, Economic/Educational/ Environmental Factors, and Other Information. The right column, titled 'Release Statement', contains three sections: 1. 'Release Statement' header with instructions to review and respond to statements, and a note that only the Advisor Release response can be edited after submission. 2. 'PRE-SUBMISSION RELEASE OF INFORMATION' with a paragraph about authorizing PTCAS to release name and contact info, followed by radio buttons for 'Yes' and 'No'. 3. 'ADVISOR RELEASE' with a paragraph about authorizing PTCAS to release application parts to pre-health advisors, followed by radio buttons for 'Yes' and 'No'. 4. 'PTCAS CERTIFICATION AND AUTHORIZATION STATEMENT' with a certification statement and a 'SAVE & CONTINUE' button at the bottom right. A 'Chat' button is also visible in the bottom right corner.

Release Statement

You must review and respond to the following release statements to submit your application. Review these instructions and the content of the statements carefully. It's your responsibility to read and understand these statements before responding to them. Visit the [Applicant Help Center](#) for more information.

Once you submit your application, you can only edit the Advisor Release response.

* Indicates required field

PRE-SUBMISSION RELEASE OF INFORMATION

By selecting Yes, I authorize PTCAS to release my name and contact information to my designated programs before I submit my application so they can send me important information about their admissions processes.

By selecting No, I understand that my designated programs will not have access to my name or contact information until after I submit my application to them. *

☐ Yes
☐ No

ADVISOR RELEASE

By selecting Yes, I authorize PTCAS to release parts of my PTCAS application and application status to pre-health advisors and advisory committees at schools I previously attended. My advisor can then better assist me throughout the admissions process. I can edit this response after I submit my application. *

☐ Yes
☐ No

PTCAS CERTIFICATION AND AUTHORIZATION STATEMENT

I certify, as required in the application, that I have read and understand all application instructions, including the provisions which note that I am responsible for monitoring and ensuring the progress of my application.

[← PREVIOUS](#) Use Professional Transcript Entry? Make sure to confirm your coursework to get verified.

[SAVE & CONTINUE](#)

BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

Your Name

This section pulls in information you entered when you created your account. Confirm that what appears here is correct; click the **Profile Section** link to make changes.

Preferred Name & Phonetic Pronunciation

If you are sending any documentation or test scores where your name is listed differently than it appears on your application, select **Yes** in this section and enter the alternate information. This ensures that your documents and test scores are matched to your application. Contact customer service so they can manually match these items to your application; failure to do so could cause significant delays.

Legal Sex

Indicate your sex assigned at birth, as it appears on your original birth certificate.

Gender Identity

The American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) and its member physical therapy programs recognize the importance of diversity and inclusivity in the student body and workforce. Select the gender identity option that you feel best describes you. This information is used for statistical purposes only, and in no way affects your application or financial aid eligibility.

Sexual Orientation

Indicate how you describe your sexual orientation.

PREFERRED NAME

If you prefer to be called something other than your legal first name, please indicate that name here.

100 characters remaining

0 words

PHONETIC PRONUNCIATION OF NAME

Enter the phonetic pronunciation of your legal and/or preferred first and last name. Phonetic pronunciation is how your name sounds when read or spoken aloud. You may choose to write a familiar word that rhymes with your name, or enter individual syllables separated by dashes. Make sure to capitalize any syllables that are stressed. Please see the examples below or refer to the [Phonetic Spelling Guide](#) for more information.

Examples:

- Raul Gonzalez = rah-OOL gon-SAH-les
- Ngoc Nguyen = nahk nuhWEN or sounds like "knock" "WIN"
- Sophia Lamagna = so-FEE-uh; sounds like "lasagna"

Enter the phonetic pronunciation of your first and last name(s).

100 characters remaining

0 words

LEGAL SEX

What is your legal sex?*

- ☐ Male
- ☐ Female
- ☐ Decline to state

GENDER IDENTITY

BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION CONTINUED

Birth Information

Enter your date of birth in MM/DD/YYYY format. For example, January 7, 1989, would be listed as 01/07/1989. Make sure you enter your date of birth correctly; failure to do so could cause significant delays with matching documentation and test scores.

Then, enter your country, city, state/territory/province, and county of birth. If you are unsure of your county of birth, select **N/A**.

BIRTH INFORMATION

Date of Birth *

Month

Day

Year

Country *

State/Province *

County *

City *

CONTACT INFORMATION

Current Address

Enter the address where you want to receive mail correspondence. Be sure to keep this section up-to-date as you complete and submit your application. If you anticipate a change of address, enter the date through which your current address is valid. If you don't have a mailing address, you can list the address of a relative or friend, with their permission. If you find more permanent housing in the future, please update it in your application and with the programs you applied to.

Permanent Address

If your current address is different from your permanent address, select **No** under **Is this your permanent address?** Then, enter the address that you consider to be your permanent and/or legal residence.

Phone Number

Your phone number pulls in from the information entered when you created your account. Verify that the listed phone number and type are correct; click the **Profile Section** link to make changes.

Email

Your email address pulls in from the information entered when you created your account. Verify that what appears here is correct; click the **Profile Section** link to make changes.

Contact Information

Enter your contact information in this section. Keep this information up-to-date throughout the application process. Visit the [Applicant Help Center](#) for more information.

You can edit this section after you submit your application.

* Indicates required field

CURRENT ADDRESS

Country / Territory *

Street Address 1 *

Street Address 2

City *

State/Province *

County *

Zip/Postal Code *

Approximate date through which current address is valid

Month

Day

Year

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CITIZENSHIP INFORMATION

United States Citizenship Details

Select your US citizenship status and country of citizenship, if applicable. If you have dual citizenship, indicate your second country of citizenship.

When selecting your status, consider the following definitions which are adapted from the US State Department:

- **US Citizen:** an individual who was born in the US or attained citizenship through naturalization.
- **Permanent US Resident:** an individual who holds a [Green Card](#) and is permitted to permanently live and work in the US.
- **Temporary US Resident:** an individual who is an [alien](#) – a nonimmigrant foreign national – who is approved to [temporarily live](#) in the US for a specific purpose (e.g., as a student), has a permanent residence abroad, and does not hold a Green Card.
- **Non-resident:** an individual who is a nonimmigrant foreign national and who is permitted to travel in the US for [tourism or business for stays of 90 days or less](#).
- **None:** an individual who has no US citizenship or visa (immigrant or nonimmigrant) status.

Note: to ensure applicants are entering consistent data for some questions, this application uses pre-populated answer options that are maintained by the [International Organization for Standardization \(ISO\)](#). For example, country answer options are derived from [ISO 3166](#), which is the international standard for country codes and codes for their subdivisions.

Residency Information

Provide your residency information, including your legal state of residence.

Citizenship Information

Enter your citizenship information in this section. Visit the [Applicant Help Center](#) for more information.

Once you submit your application, you can only edit your Citizenship Details, Residency Information, and Visa Information if you are not a US citizen.

* Indicates required field

CITIZENSHIP DETAILS

U.S. Citizenship Status*

Do you have dual citizenship?*

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

RESIDENCY INFORMATION

Legal State of Residence*

PREVIOUS STATE OF RESIDENCY

If you've lived in your current state of residence less than one year, list your previous state of residence.

CITIZENSHIP INFORMATION CONTINUED

Visa Information

If you currently have a US Visa, select **Yes** and enter all visa information. Please note that we cannot advise you on your visa status or any related details.

When selecting your visa type, consider the following definitions which are adapted from the US State Department. Note that this list is not all-inclusive. Refer to the [US State Department](#) for more information.

- **B-1 Visitor:** [an individual who wants to enter the US temporarily for business.](#)
- **F-1 Student:** [an individual who wants to study at a US academic institution. This is the most common student visa type.](#)
- **H-1-B Employee:** an individual who wants to work in the US in a [specialty occupation](#).
- **I-1 Student:** [an individual who wants to study at a US academic institution. This is generally used for students in educational exchange programs \(e.g., Fulbright Program\).](#)
- **J-1 Teacher, Researcher, or Trainee:** an individual who wants to [teach](#) at a US primary or secondary school, [research](#) at a US institution, or [train](#) in an occupational field at a US business.
- **Refugee:** an individual who is located outside of the US, is of [special humanitarian concern to the US](#), [demonstrates that they were persecuted or fear persecution due to race, religion](#), nationality, political opinion, or membership in a particular social group, is not firmly resettled in another country, and is admissible to the US.
- **Visa Waiver WB:** [an individual from a Visa Waiver Program \(VWP\) participating country that allows travel to the US for business stays of 90 days or less without obtaining a visa.](#)
- **Visa Waiver WT:** [an individual from a Visa Waiver Program \(VWP\) participating country that allows travel to the US for tourism stays of 90 days or less without obtaining a visa.](#)
- **Other:** an individual who has received a visa type not listed. Note that this list is not all-inclusive, and more visa types may be available in the application.

Previous State of Residency

If you have resided in your current state for less than one year, select your previous state of residency from the drop-down.

RACE & ETHNICITY

Programs fully recognize the importance of diversity in their student body and in the workforce. Accordingly, programs strongly encourage applications from persons from all socioeconomic, racial, ethnic, religious, and educational backgrounds and persons from underrepresented groups. Please select all the options in this section which you feel best apply to you. Please note that this section is used for statistical purposes only and in no way affects your application or financial aid eligibility.

Ethnicity

Indicate whether you consider yourself to be of Hispanic or Latino origin. This question is optional.

Race

Select one or more of the groups of which you consider yourself to be a member. This question is optional.

Race & Ethnicity

Select any and all of the options in this section which you feel best apply to you. Note that this section is used for statistical purposes only and in no way affects your application or financial aid eligibility. Visit the [Applicant Help Center](#) for more information.

Once you submit your application, you cannot edit this section.

* Indicates required field

RACE AND ETHNICITY

Please select one or more of the following groups in which you consider yourself to be a member.

- ☐ American Indian or Alaskan Native
- ☐ Black or African-American
- ☐ Asian
- ☐ Hispanic or Latino
- ☐ Middle Eastern or North African
- ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- ☐ White

PARENT/GUARDIAN

In this section, you can enter demographic information about your parent(s) or guardian(s), including where they reside, their level of education, current occupation, and role within your household.

Click [here](#) for a step-by-step guide to adding parent/guardian information in your application.

Parent/Guardian

Enter demographic information about your parent(s) or guardian(s). This information is only used for data and recruitment purposes. Visit the [Applicant Help Center](#) for more information.

Once you submit your application, you cannot edit previously entered parents/guardians, but you can add new parents/guardians.

* Indicates required field

ADD PARENT/GUARDIAN

I'M NOT ADDING ANY PARENT/GUARDIAN

ADDING A PARENT/GUARDIAN

Add a Parent/Guardian

1. Click **Add a Parent/Guardian**.
 2. Select the relationship between you and the parent/guardian.
 3. Enter their first and last names.
 4. Select their gender.
 5. Indicate if they are living or deceased.
 6. Select their occupation.
 7. Select their residency information.
 8. Select their education levels.
 9. Indicate whether this parent/guardian is in your primary household (where you lived during the majority of your life, from birth to age 18).
 10. Click **Save and Continue**.
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FACTORS: Economic/Educational/Environmental

Family Situation (US Applicants Only)

Select your responses to questions related to your family situation.

Childhood Residency

Select your responses to questions related to the area in which you lived as a child.

High School Information

Select your responses to questions related to your high school.

Disadvantaged Applicant Consideration

Indicate whether you wish to be considered a disadvantaged applicant by any of your programs that may consider such factors (social, economic, or educational). You can also enter brief information about your background that helps clarify your determination.

Economic/Educational/ Environmental Factors

Enter your responses to these questions. Visit the [Applicant Help Center](#) for more information.

Once you submit your application, you cannot edit this section.

* Indicates required field

FAMILY SITUATION

Have you or an immediate family member ever used federal or state assistance programs (e.g., Aid to Families with Dependent Children, food stamps, Medicaid, public housing, etc.)?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ I don't know

What was your family's income level during the majority of your life from birth to age eighteen?

Did you have paid employment prior to age eighteen?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Are you the first generation in your family to attend college (e.g., neither your mother nor father attended college)?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ I don't know

Have you ever served as a relative's primary care-giver?

- ☐ Yes

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OTHER INFORMATION

Language Proficiency

Select your first language (the language of your birth). If you speak additional languages, click **Add Another Language**. Then, select the language(s) and the level of your proficiency in each.

Military Status

If you have US military experience, select your anticipated status at the time of enrollment from the drop-down. Select **Not a member of the military** if this does not apply.

If a member of the military, select your branch of the Armed Forces from the drop-down and indicate the dates of service.

Academic Infraction: Indicate whether you have ever been disciplined or placed on academic probation while attending an academic institution. If you select **Yes**, enter a brief explanation in the field provided.

License Infraction: Indicate whether you have ever had any certification, registration, license, or clinical privileges revoked, suspended, or in any way restricted by an institution, state, or locality. If yes, enter an explanation in the spaces provided.

Social Security Number: Optional

OTHER INFORMATION CONTINUED

Academic Record

Indicate whether your academic record accurately reflects your capabilities. If you select **No**, describe why. Include any information that may assist the admissions committee in interpreting and evaluating your academic history or credentials.

PTA Education

Indicate whether you graduated from a physical therapist assistant (PTA) program recognized by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE).

Previous Physical Therapist Education

Indicate whether you previously matriculated into a professional physical therapy degree program.

Education Interruption

Indicate if your education has ever been interrupted or adversely affected for reasons other than deficiencies in conduct or academic performance. If you select **Yes**, enter an explanation in the field provided.

Military Service Interruption

Indicate if your education has ever been interrupted because of military service. If you select **Yes**, enter an explanation in the space provided.

Academic Record

★ Does your academic record accurately reflect your capabilities?

☐ Yes☐ No

PTA Education

★ Have you graduated from a CAPTE-accredited physical therapist assistant (PTA) program?

☐ Yes☐ No

Previous Physical Therapist Education

★ Have you previously enrolled in a professional physical therapist (PT) program? If yes, you MUST list the institution in the Colleges Attended section of the application, enter all attempted and completed PT courses in the Transcript Entry section of the application and have an official transcript sent to PTCAS. Failure to report this institution and associated coursework may jeopardize your application.

☐ Yes☐ No

Education Interruption

★ Has your education ever been interrupted or affected adversely for reasons other than deficiencies in conduct or academic performance?

☐ Yes☐ No

Military Service Interruption

★ Has your education ever been interrupted because of military service?

☐ Yes☐ No

Save and Continue

ACADEMIC HISTORY

The Academic History component of the application is broken into 3 sections: colleges attended, transcript entry and standardized tests. This part can be very tedious and time consuming. It is important that you allocate plenty of time to complete these sections in their entirety before moving on or taking a break.

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Academic History 2/3

Colleges Attended

Transcript Entry

Standardized Tests

CLOSE

COLLEGES ATTENDED

Add each college you have ever attended even if it was for dual enrollment or transient courses. Only enter a college one time even if there are gaps in your enrollment. To add a college, click the blue button that says Add a College or University. Then you can start typing your school in the search bar. Select your school from the drop down. Do this for each college you have attended. You will then answer a series of questions about the colleges that you entered

ACADEMIC HISTORY 2/3

Colleges Attended



Transcript Entry



Standardized Tests



WHAT'S NEXT?

The average applicant submits between 5 and 6 applications.

Have you added all the programs you want to apply to?

[ADD PROGRAMS](#)

Request your observation hours early. It can take some time for them to get completed.

[OBSERVATION HOURS](#)

Also, report each institution only once, regardless of the number of degrees earned or gaps in the dates of attendance. Visit the [Applicant Help Center](#) for more information.

Once you submit your application, you cannot edit previously entered colleges and universities, but you can add new colleges and universities.

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Kennesaw State University



GA, United States

No Degree

Summer 2023 • Summer 2024



University Of Georgia



GA, United States

[Primary](#)

Bachelor of Arts, Anatomy • In-Progress
Spring 2020 • Still Attending

Now that you've entered your colleges and universities, it's time to process your transcripts and/or international coursework evaluations in the Academic Records section.

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COLLEGES ATTENDED REQUIREMENTS

- **Report all institutions attended regardless of their relevance to the programs you are applying to.** Failure to report an institution may cause your application to be undelivered. This can significantly delay the processing of your application. Report all institutions attended, including but not limited to:

- courses taken in high school for college or university credit
- summer courses
- community college courses
- US military academies (note that this does not include courses on SMART or JST transcripts)
- post-baccalaureate, graduate, and doctoral work
- study abroad, Canadian, and foreign work, etc.

- **List all institutions on your application** even if the coursework completed there was transferred to another institution.

- **Report each institution only once**, regardless of the number of degrees earned or gaps in the dates of attendance.

- **Send official transcripts** for each institution.

My Application

Add Program

Submit Application

Check Status



0/3
Sections Completed

Colleges Attended

Add a College or University

Report all institutions attended. Once you submit your application, you cannot edit previously entered colleges and universities, but you can add new colleges and universities.

✕

* Indicates required field

Colleges Attended

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

Transcript Entry

Standardized Tests

✕

What college or university did you attend?

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

✕

Did you obtain or are you planning to obtain a degree from this college or university?

☒ Yes

☐ No

✕

Degree Info

☐ Degree Awarded

☐ Degree In Progress

☐ Check if you were a double major

+ Add another Degree

✕

What type of term system does this college or university use?

☐ Quarter

☐ Semester

☐ Trimester

TRANSCRIPT ENTRY

There is an optional service that you can choose to use that will enter your transcript coursework for you for a fee. It can take weeks for this to be completed so just keep that in mind. I do not recommend it.

The fees are \$85 for your first 3 transcripts, \$110 if you need to enter 4-6 transcripts, and \$160 for 7 or more transcripts. You can select to have the Professional Transcript Entry done or to enter your coursework yourself for free.

You will start by adding a semester and then adding the courses from that semester.



Professional Transcript Entry (PTE)

Save time completing your application by having us enter coursework for you.

[REQUEST PTE](#)[ENTER TRANSCRIPTS MANUALLY](#)

How long does it take?

Professional Transcript Entry (PTE) begins as soon as you submit your application and we receive all of your official transcripts. Our PTE specialists will then enter your coursework within 10 business days.

Why should I use it?

- Entering coursework from multiple institutions can be a time-consuming and error-prone task.
- PTE frees you to focus on more strategic tasks, like writing your essay or gathering letters of recommendation.
- PTE also improves the accuracy of coursework entry, so you can avoid any processing issues.
- And don't worry, you'll be able to approve all entries before they're finalized.

How much does it cost?

It's just **\$85** for up to 3 transcripts, **\$110** for 4-6 transcripts, or **\$160** for 7 or more transcripts.

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A NOTE ABOUT PROFESSIONAL TRANSCRIPT ENTRY (PTE)

IF YOU PREFER NOT TO ENTER ALL YOUR COURSEWORK YOURSELF, THE PROFESSIONAL TRANSCRIPT ENTRY SERVICE (PTE) SPECIALISTS CAN ENTER IT FOR YOU FOR AN ADDITIONAL FEE. THIS SERVICE IS ONLY AVAILABLE FOR COMPLETED COURSEWORK FROM ACCREDITED SCHOOLS. COURSEWORK FROM UNLISTED SCHOOLS, FOREIGN COURSEWORK, AND PLANNED/IN-PROGRESS COURSES ARE INELIGIBLE FOR PTE AND MUST BE ENTERED BY YOU.

IN ORDER TO ACTIVATE PTE YOU MUST SUBMIT AT LEAST ONE APPLICATION. IF YOU ARE WANTING TO USE THE PTE SERVICE, YOU NEED TO MAKE SURE YOU HAVE ONE SCHOOL COMPLETELY DONE AND READY TO SUBMIT.

NOTE THAT THE PTE SPECIALISTS ONLY ENTER THE INFORMATION LISTED ON YOUR OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS AND DO NOT CORRECT ERRORS FOR COURSEWORK YOU HAVE ALREADY ENTERED. IF YOU ENTERED COURSEWORK AND MADE A MISTAKE OR DID NOT REPORT AN INSTITUTION, THESE ERRORS WILL BE COMMUNICATED TO YOU DURING THE VERIFICATION PROCESS, AT WHICH POINT IT WILL BE YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO CORRECT THEM.

PROFESSIONAL TRANSCRIPT ENTRY TURNAROUND TIME

ONCE ALL THE REQUIREMENTS ARE MET, IT MAY TAKE UP TO 10 BUSINESS DAYS FOR TRANSCRIPT ENTRY TO BE COMPLETED. YOUR APPLICATION WILL NOT BE GIVEN A COMPLETE DATE AND MOVED INTO THE VERIFICATION QUEUE UNTIL YOUR COURSEWORK ENTRY IS APPROVED, AT WHICH POINT IT CAN TAKE UP TO AN ADDITIONAL 10 BUSINESS DAYS TO BE VERIFIED. PLEASE KEEP THESE TURNAROUND TIMES AND YOUR PROGRAM'S DEADLINE REQUIREMENTS IN MIND. WE ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR MISSED DEADLINES DUE TO PTE PROCEDURES OR TURNAROUND TIMES.



REVIEWING & APPROVING PTE

YOU WILL RECEIVE A NOTIFICATION ONCE YOUR PTE IS COMPLETE. YOU SHOULD THEN REVIEW THE COURSEWORK ENTERED BY THE PTE SPECIALISTS TO ENSURE IT IS ACCURATE AND APPROVE THE ENTRY. YOU SHOULD ALSO MATCH YOUR COURSEWORK TO ANY REQUIRED PREREQUISITE COURSES IN THE **PROGRAM MATERIALS** SECTION BEFORE APPROVING THE ENTRY.

IF YOU FIND ANY ISSUES WITH THE COURSEWORK ENTRY, EMAIL CUSTOMER SERVICE TO DETERMINE HOW TO PROCEED. WAIT FOR CORRECTIONS TO BE CONFIRMED AND IMPLEMENTED BEFORE APPROVING THE COURSEWORK ENTRY.

ONCE YOU APPROVE YOUR COURSEWORK ENTRY (AND COMPLETE ALL OTHER APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS), YOUR APPLICATION IS GIVEN A COMPLETE DATE AND PLACED IN LINE FOR VERIFICATION. BE SURE TO APPROVE YOUR COURSEWORK IN A TIMELY MANNER TO AVOID ANY DELAYS IN PROCESSING YOUR APPLICATION.

IF YOU REAPPLY IN A FUTURE CYCLE, YOUR PTE COURSEWORK WILL ONLY CARRY FORWARD IF YOU SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION AND APPROVE THE PTE COURSEWORK ENTRY IN THE CURRENT CYCLE.



TRANSCRIPT ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Reporting coursework accurately is your responsibility. Since credit values, grade values, and course subjects vary widely from school to school, your programs need some type of standardization so they can accurately compare applicants. This standardization is achieved by using your coursework to create a standard set of GPAs, ensuring you are compared to other applicants fairly and equally.
- Complete the **Colleges Attended** section before entering your courses.
- Report all courses on your transcripts, not just prerequisites. Be sure to include courses from which you withdrew, repeated courses, ungraded labs, test credits, gym courses, orientations, or other non-graded courses.
- Use official copies of your transcripts. Coursework must exactly match your official transcripts; don't use an unofficial version, like a printout from your school's website. List your courses under the correct term, year, and class level. Department prefixes and course numbers must precisely match those on your transcripts.
- Enter courses under the institution where you originally took the course, exactly as they appear on the original school's transcript. Don't list courses under the school in which the credits were transferred. You may need to go back to your Colleges Attended and add a school to enter the transfer credits for.



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ENTERING A TERM

1. CLICK **START** TO BEGIN ENTERING COURSES FOR A COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY.
2. ADD A SEMESTER, QUARTER, OR TRIMESTER DEPENDING ON THE TERM SYSTEM YOU SELECTED IN THE **COLLEGES ATTENDED** SECTION.
3. SELECT A TERM.
4. SELECT A YEAR. OPTIONS ARE BASED ON THE TIME SPAN YOU SELECTED IN THE **COLLEGES ATTENDED** SECTION.
5. SELECT AN ACADEMIC STATUS. ACADEMIC STATUS REFERS TO YOUR STATUS DURING THE TERM YOU ARE INPUTTING, NOT YOUR CURRENT STATUS. REFER TO THE LIST OF ACADEMIC STATUS DEFINITIONS BELOW FOR MORE INFORMATION.
6. SELECT A COMPLETION STATUS. IF YOU'RE ENTERING COURSES FOR A TERM THAT IS CURRENTLY IN PROGRESS OR PLANNED, SELECT **IN PROGRESS/PLANNED**.
7. CLICK **SAVE**.
8. CONTINUE ADDING TERMS, AS NEEDED.

DEFINITIONS OF ACADEMIC STATUS

• **FRESHMAN-SENIOR:** APPLIES TO ALL COLLEGE- OR UNIVERSITY-LEVEL COURSES TAKEN PRIOR TO YOUR FIRST BACHELOR'S DEGREE. IN GENERAL, FOUR-YEAR STUDENTS SHOULD LIST ONE YEAR PER DESIGNATION AND FIVE-YEAR STUDENTS SHOULD LIST THEIR LAST TWO YEARS AS SENIOR. NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENTS SHOULD LABEL THEIR TERMS AS EVENLY AS POSSIBLE IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER.

- Dual enrollment courses (college courses taken during high school) are considered Freshman and should be listed under the college where you took them. Do **not** report these courses again as transfer credits at your undergraduate institution.

• **POST-BACCALAUREATE:** APPLIES TO UNDERGRADUATE LEVEL COURSES TAKEN AFTER YOUR FIRST BACHELOR'S DEGREE IS EARNED. IF YOU EARNED A SECOND BACHELOR'S DEGREE, THAT IS CONSIDERED POST-BACCALAUREATE.

• **GRADUATE:** APPLIES TO MASTER'S DEGREE- AND DOCTORATE DEGREE-LEVEL WORK ONLY, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE DEGREE WAS EARNED. WORK SUCH AS THAT TAKEN IN PURSUIT OF A PH.D, MD, PHARM.D, JD, JURIS.D, LL.D, DC., ETC. ARE CONSIDERED DOCTORATE DEGREE-LEVEL.

ENTERING COURSES FOR A COMPLETED TERM

1. CLICK **ADD A COURSE** UNDER THE APPROPRIATE TERM.
2. ENTER THE COURSE CODE. DEPARTMENT PREFIXES AND COURSE NUMBERS MUST EXACTLY MATCH WHAT APPEARS ON YOUR OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT.
3. ENTER THE COURSE TITLE. YOU CAN ABBREVIATE IT IF IT DOES NOT FIT IN THE TEXT BOX.
4. SELECT THE COURSE SUBJECT. IF YOU'RE UNSURE, MAKE YOUR BEST GUESS; OUR TEAM WILL HELP YOU IF IT DOESN'T MATCH.
5. ENTER THE COURSE CREDITS EXACTLY AS THEY APPEAR ON YOUR TRANSCRIPT. SEE THE **COURSE CREDITS** SECTION BELOW FOR MORE DETAILS.
6. ENTER THE GRADE EXACTLY AS IT APPEARS ON YOUR TRANSCRIPT, INCLUDING ANY PLUSES OR MINUSES.
 1. If your grades are listed as "BA," "CB," or "DC," you must list them as "AB," "BC," and "CD" in order for the system to recognize them.
 2. If your grades are listed as numbers (e.g., 93), enter them exactly as they appear on your transcript. They will automatically convert to the equivalent CAS letter grade.
7. THE **CAS GRADE** POPULATES AUTOMATICALLY. THIS ALLOWS US TO STANDARDIZE YOUR COURSEWORK FOR ALL PROGRAMS AND CANNOT BE EDITED.
8. CLICK **SAVE**.
9. CONTINUE ADDING COURSES, AS NEEDED.

ENTERING COURSES FOR AN IN-PROGRESS OR PLANNED TERM

YOU SHOULD ENTER ANY COURSES THAT YOU ARE CURRENTLY TAKING OR PLAN TO TAKE SOON. THIS IS NOT REQUIRED, BUT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED, AS SOME PROGRAMS REQUIRE IT. NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT ANY TERM CONTAINING IN PROGRESS/PLANNED COURSES CANNOT BE MARKED AS COMPLETE; THE ENTIRE TERM MUST BE MARKED AS IN PROGRESS/PLANNED. CONTACT YOUR PROGRAMS TO DETERMINE IF THEY REQUIRE PLANNED OR IN-PROGRESS COURSEWORK TO BE LISTED. ONCE YOU COMPLETE IN-PROGRESS COURSES, YOU CAN UPDATE THEM IN THE APPLICATION.

1. MAKE SURE THAT YOU SELECTED **IN PROGRESS/PLANNED** FOR THE TERM YOU'RE LISTING THE COURSE UNDER. THIS ALERTS THE SYSTEM THAT YOU AREN'T REQUIRED TO ENTER A GRADE FOR THIS COURSE.
2. ENTER THE COURSE CODE.
3. ENTER THE COURSE TITLE. YOU CAN ABBREVIATE IT IF IT DOES NOT FIT IN THE TEXT BOX.
4. SELECT THE COURSE SUBJECT. IF YOU'RE UNSURE, MAKE YOUR BEST GUESS.
5. ENTER THE EXPECTED COURSE CREDITS. DEPENDING ON THE FORMAT OF YOUR CREDITS, YOU MAY NEED TO CONVERT THEM. SEE THE **COURSE CREDITS** SECTION BELOW FOR MORE DETAILS.
6. CLICK **SAVE**.
7. CONTINUE ADDING COURSES, AS NEEDED.

ENTERING NARRATIVE TRANSCRIPTS

IF YOUR INSTITUTION USES A NARRATIVE TRANSCRIPT, ENTER YOUR COURSEWORK AS DESCRIBED ABOVE. IF THE TRANSCRIPT LISTS "SUGGESTED" CREDITS AND/OR GRADES, BE SURE TO ENTER THOSE AS WELL; OTHERWISE, LIST THE COURSE CREDITS AS "0.0" AND THE GRADES AS "PASS."

YOUR PROGRAMS WILL SEE THE LIST OF CLASSES YOU TOOK, ALONG WITH A COPY OF THE OFFICIAL NARRATIVE TRANSCRIPT THAT YOU SUBMIT.



COURSE CREDITS

SEMESTER, TRIMESTER, AND QUARTER CREDITS

IF YOUR COURSE CREDITS ARE MOSTLY IN "3.0," "4.0," OR "5.0" FORMAT, THEN YOUR TRANSCRIPT IS LISTING NORMAL SEMESTER, TRIMESTER, OR QUARTER CREDITS AND NO CONVERSION IS NECESSARY. ENTER THE CREDITS EXACTLY AS THEY APPEAR ON YOUR TRANSCRIPT.

UNIT CREDITS

IF ALL OF YOUR COURSE CREDITS ARE LISTED IN "1.0" OR "0.50" FORMAT, THEN YOUR TRANSCRIPT IS LISTING CREDIT UNITS AND YOU NEED TO PERFORM A CONVERSION. CHECK THE BACK OF YOUR TRANSCRIPT FOR A CONVERSION RATIO, WHICH WILL SAY SOMETHING LIKE "1 UNIT IS EQUIVALENT TO 4 SEMESTER HOURS."

IF THERE IS NO CONVERSION ON THE BACK OF YOUR TRANSCRIPT, CONTACT YOUR REGISTRAR'S OFFICE TO DETERMINE THE CONVERSION RATIO. THEN, CONVERT THE CREDITS BY MULTIPLYING THE NUMBER OF UNITS LISTED ON YOUR TRANSCRIPT BY THE CONVERSION FACTOR. FOR EXAMPLE, IF YOUR CONVERSION IS 1 UNIT = 4 HOURS AND YOUR TRANSCRIPT LISTS 1 UNIT FOR A COURSE, YOU WOULD ENTER 4.00 CREDITS ON YOUR APPLICATION. IF 0.50 IS LISTED, YOU WOULD ENTER 2.00.

REVIEW **PTCAS GRADE VALUE CHARTS** TO VIEW SOME CANADIAN INSTITUTIONS' UNIT CONVERSION RATIOS.

COURSE CREDITS CONTINUED

LAB CREDITS

IF YOUR TRANSCRIPT LISTS LABS SEPARATELY, YOU MUST LIST THEM AS SEPARATE COURSES ON YOUR APPLICATION AS WELL. RECORD THE LABS EXACTLY AS THEY APPEAR ON YOUR TRANSCRIPT. IF YOUR TRANSCRIPT COMBINES LAB AND LECTURE COURSES INTO ONE COURSE, LIST IT AS ONE COURSE ON YOUR APPLICATION.

TEST CREDITS

YOU CAN ONLY LIST TEST CREDITS IF THEY WERE AWARDED BY ONE OF THE SCHOOLS YOU ATTENDED, AND THEY APPEAR ON YOUR TRANSCRIPT. TEST CREDIT TYPES INCLUDE ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP), INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB), CLEP, DANTE, REGENTS, AND COURSES YOU "TESTED OUT OF" AT COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY. LIST THESE CREDITS UNDER YOUR FIRST TERM AT THE SCHOOL THAT AWARDED YOU THE CREDIT AND ENTER "CR" AS THE GRADE. IF NO COURSE PREFIX OR NUMBER APPEARS ON THE TRANSCRIPT, ENTER "N/A" FOR NOT APPLICABLE.

BE SURE TO DESIGNATE THESE TEST CREDITS APPROPRIATELY IN THE TRANSCRIPT REVIEW SECTION (BELOW).

ENTER COURSE TYPES (TRANSCRIPT REVIEW)

ONCE YOU ENTER AND SAVE ALL YOUR COURSES, CLICK **REVIEW & FINALIZE MY TRANSCRIPTS**. YOUR NEXT STEP IS TO DESIGNATE SPECIFIC COURSES AS STUDY ABROAD, ADVANCED PLACEMENT, REPEATED, ETC. YOU MUST COMPLETE TRANSCRIPT REVIEW BEFORE YOU CAN ADD PREREQUISITES IN THE PROGRAM MATERIALS SECTION.

PRIMARY COLLEGE

IDENTIFY YOUR PRIMARY UNDERGRADUATE INSTITUTION. THIS IS TYPICALLY CONSIDERED THE COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY WHERE YOU EARNED (OR WILL EARN) YOUR FIRST BACHELOR'S DEGREE. IF NO DEGREE IS PLANNED, SELECT THE COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY WHERE YOU COMPLETED THE MAJORITY OF YOUR UNDERGRADUATE COURSEWORK.

REPEATED CLASSES

INDICATE IF YOU REPEATED ANY OF YOUR COURSES. COURSES SHOULD ONLY BE MARKED AS **REPEATED IF YOU REPEATED THEM AT THE SAME INSTITUTION** (I.E., YOU RETOOK THE COURSE FOR A HIGHER GRADE). WITHDRAWN COURSES, COURSES TAKEN AT DIFFERENT SCHOOLS, AND COURSES TAKEN MULTIPLE TIMES FOR NEW CREDIT (I.E., SCHOOL BAND, PHYSICAL EDUCATION, ETC) ARE NOT CONSIDERED REPEATED.

RECORD FULL CREDIT VALUES AND GRADES FOR ALL REPEATED COURSES. PTCAS IS REQUIRED TO INCLUDE ALL REPEATED COURSES IN GPA CALCULATIONS, REGARDLESS OF AN INSTITUTION'S OR STATE'S ACADEMIC FORGIVENESS POLICIES.

IF YOU REPEATED COURSES, SELECT **YES** AND CLICK **CONTINUE**. THEN, CLICK THE PLUS SIGN NEXT TO THE REPEATED COURSES FOR EACH COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY YOU ATTENDED.

ENTER COURSE TYPES (TRANSCRIPT REVIEW) CONTINUED

ADVANCED PLACEMENT CREDIT

INDICATE IF YOU RECEIVED ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) CREDIT ON THE COLLEGE BOARD ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMS FOR ANY OF YOUR COURSES.

IF YOU RECEIVED AP CREDIT, SELECT **YES** AND CLICK **CONTINUE**. THEN, CLICK THE PLUS SIGN NEXT TO THE ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES. BE SURE TO ONLY SELECT COURSES THAT ARE CLEARLY MARKED AS AP ON YOUR TRANSCRIPT.

OTHER TEST CREDIT

INDICATE IF YOU RECEIVED CREDIT FOR TESTS OTHER THAN THE AP EXAM, INCLUDING INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB), CLEP, DANTE, REGENTS, OR INSTITUTIONAL/DEPARTMENTAL EXAMS (I.E., COURSES YOU "TESTED OUT OF" AT COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY).

IF YOU RECEIVED TEST CREDITS, SELECT **YES** AND CLICK **CONTINUE**. THEN, CLICK THE PLUS SIGN NEXT TO THE COURSES. BE SURE TO ONLY SELECT COURSES THAT ARE CLEARLY IDENTIFIED AS TEST CREDITS ON YOUR TRANSCRIPT.

ENTER COURSE TYPES (TRANSCRIPT REVIEW) CONTINUED

HONORS COURSES

INDICATE IF YOU TOOK ANY HONORS COURSES, WHICH ARE GENERALLY COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY COURSES TAKEN AT AN HONORS LEVEL. THESE ARE USUALLY DESIGNATED WITH AN "H" IN THE COURSE NUMBER ON YOUR TRANSCRIPT. NOTE THAT EARNING LATIN HONORS UPON GRADUATION DOES NOT MEAN YOUR COURSES ARE RETROACTIVELY CONSIDERED "HONORS."

IF YOU TOOK HONORS COURSES, SELECT **YES** AND CLICK **CONTINUE**. THEN, CLICK THE PLUS SIGN NEXT TO THE COURSES. BE SURE TO ONLY SELECT COURSES THAT ARE CLEARLY IDENTIFIED AS HONORS ON YOUR TRANSCRIPT.

STUDY ABROAD COURSES

IF YOU STUDIED ABROAD, INDICATE THE COURSES YOU TOOK AS PART OF YOUR INSTITUTION'S STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM. REFER TO THE SENDING TRANSCRIPTS SECTION FOR MORE INFORMATION.

IF YOU STUDIED ABROAD, SELECT **YES** AND CLICK **CONTINUE**. THEN, CLICK THE PLUS SIGN NEXT TO THE COURSES.



TRANSCRIPT ENTRY LAB REVIEW

- After you have entered all your coursework, select Transcript Review. It will prompt you to answer a series of questions and to select the courses that are applicable. For example, you will be asked “Did you take any Lab Courses?”. If you did, click on Yes and then you will be able to add the courses that were labs.

If your transcript lists labs separately, you must list them as separate courses on your application as well. Record the labs exactly as they appear on your transcript. If your transcript combines lab and lecture courses into one course, list it as one course on your application.

ORDERING TRANSCRIPTS

You need to order OFFICIAL transcripts from EVERY institution that you have attended even if it was for transient courses or dual enrollment, even if your courses transferred to another institution. It can take several weeks for PTCAS to receive your transcripts so make sure ordering them is one of the first things you do after you create your account. That way you do not slow down the verification process. UGA uses Parchment. To order your UGA transcripts log into your MyUGA portal and select Order Transcripts. There is a fee.

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1. Login or Register

2. Select Documents

3. Order Details

4. Provide Consent

5. Billing Info

6. Review Order

Select Document



Diploma

Order an official copy of your diploma to be sent to a destination of your choice.



Transcript

Order an official copy of your undergraduate or graduate transcript to be sent to a destination of your choice. eTranscript (electronic emailed transcript) and printed transcript (mailed or pickup) options are available.

GRADE POINT AVERAGES (GPAS)

PTCAS GPAS MAY DIFFER FROM THOSE CALCULATED ON APPLICANT TRANSCRIPTS DUE TO THE GRADE STANDARDIZATION PROCESS. DPT PROGRAMS ARE NOT OBLIGATED TO THE PTCAS PROVIDED GPAS AND MAY CALCULATE THEIR OWN GPAS FOR USE IN THE APPLICATION REVIEW PROCESS. PTCAS GPAS INCLUDE:

- COURSES FROM POSTSECONDARY COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES IN THE UNITED STATES, AS WELL AS ENGLISH-SPEAKING CANADIAN INSTITUTIONS
- ALL ATTEMPTS OF COURSES COMPLETED FOR A GRADE, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THEY WERE REPEATED FOR A BETTER GRADE OR NOT.
- STUDY-ABROAD COURSES IF THEY ARE REPORTED ON A U.S. TRANSCRIPT WITH A GRADE.
- FAILED COURSES.
- COURSES WITH A GRADE OF "WITHDRAWN FAILING" OR "WF" (CALCULATED AS AN "F").

GRADE POINT AVERAGES (GPAS) CONTINUED

PTCAS GPAS DO **NOT** INCLUDE:

- INTERNATIONAL (FOREIGN) COURSEWORK.
- ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) COURSEWORK.
- COLLEGE LEVEL EXAM PLACEMENT (CLEP) COURSEWORK.
- AUDITED COURSES.
- DEFERRED COURSES.
- COURSES WHERE CREDIT WAS EARNED BY COMPLETION OF AN INSTITUTIONAL OR DEPARTMENTAL EXAM.
- INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB) COURSEWORK.
- INCOMPLETE COURSES.
- COURSES TAKEN ON A "PASS/FAIL" OR "CREDIT/NO CREDIT" BASIS.
- WITHDRAWN COURSES.

STANDARDIZED TESTS

The last section of the Academic History section will collect your standardized test scores. If you do not wish to enter any test information, select the “I Am Not Adding Standardized Tests” button. Many of you will have GRE and/or MCAT. Select all the tests that are applicable to you. We will use the GRE as an example. Select “Add Test Score” under the test title that you would like to include. Then you will be prompted to enter that test’s information. If you have completed the exam, then include your scoring information. If you have not completed the exam, enter the dates that you plan on taking the test.

Note that self-reporting your scores is not the same as providing official scores to your programs.

Standardized Tests

You can self-report your standardized test scores or report tests you plan to take in this section. Some of the programs you apply to may require you to report certain test scores; be sure to check with your programs to ensure you’re completing all requirements. Visit the [Applicant Help Center](#) for more information.

Note that self-reporting your scores isn’t the same as providing official scores to your programs. If your programs require official test scores, see [Sending Official Test Scores](#) for more information. For [official GRE scores](#), you must include your ETS Registration code when self-reporting your scores, and ensure that your name and date of birth match between PTCAS and your GRE score report.

Once you submit your application, you cannot edit previously entered tests, but you can add new tests.

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GRE



Planned for Jun 26, 2026



GRE



Taken on May 07, 2025



I HAVE REVIEWED THIS INFORMATION

PTCAS accepts scores for the following tests:

- GRE
- TOEFL (Before Jan 21, 2026)
- TOEFL iBT (After Jan 21, 2026)
- AP (Advanced Placement)
- CLEP (College Level Examination Program)
- IB (International Baccalaureate)
- Duolingo English

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ADDING TEST SCORES

ADD A TEST SCORE

1. NAVIGATE TO THE **STANDARDIZED TESTS** SECTION.
2. FIND THE TEST YOU TOOK IN THE LIST AND CLICK **ADD TEST SCORE**. IN SOME CASES, YOU MAY ONLY BE ABLE TO ENTER SCORES FOR CERTAIN TESTS.
3. SELECT **YES** UNDER **HAVE YOU TAKEN THE TEST**.
4. ENTER THE DATE YOU TOOK THE TEST.
5. ENTER ALL APPLICABLE SCORES AND TEST ID, IF APPLICABLE.
6. CLICK **SAVE THIS TEST**.

AFTER SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION, YOU CAN CONTINUE TO ADD NEW TEST ENTRIES TO THIS SECTION, BUT YOU CANNOT UPDATE OR DELETE PREVIOUS ENTRIES.

ADD A PLANNED TEST

1. NAVIGATE TO THE **STANDARDIZED TESTS** SECTION.
2. FIND THE TEST YOU TOOK IN THE LIST AND CLICK **ADD TEST SCORE**. IN SOME CASES, YOU MAY ONLY BE ABLE TO ENTER SCORES FOR CERTAIN TESTS.
3. SELECT **NO** UNDER **HAVE YOU TAKEN THE TEST**.
4. ENTER THE DATE YOU PLAN TO TAKE THE TEST.
5. ENTER YOUR TEST ID, IF APPLICABLE.
6. CLICK **SAVE THIS TEST**.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

The next component to the application is called Supporting Information. It is in this section where you will request your evaluators to submit letters of recommendation, log your experiences, include any achievements, licenses, and certifications that you have and submit your personal statement.

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Observation Hours

Experiences

Achievements

Licenses and Certifications

Essay

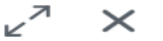
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OBSERVATION HOURS

Check the **Program Materials** section or contact your individual programs to learn their program-specific requirements. PTCAS does not review or determine if you meet your program's minimum observation hour requirements. Once you submit your application, you cannot edit previously entered observation hours, but you can add new observation hours.

For a step-by-step guide click [here](#).

Add Observation Hours



Phone



+1

License No.

License State

PT OBSERVATION HOURS SUBMISSION TYPE

How do you want to have your PT observation hours verified?*

- ☐ Send my PT observation hours to my PT/PTA supervisor for verification
- ☐ Upload a signed form verifying my PT observation hours
- ☐ I will not have my PT observation hours verified

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CANCEL

CONTINUE

Observation Hours

Add Observation Hours

EXPERIENCE DETAILS

Start Date*

Month

Day

DD

Year

YYYY

End Date*

Month

Day

DD

Year

YYYY

Recognition Type*

- ☐ Paid
- ☐ Volunteer
- ☐ Both

Experience Type*

- ☐ In-person/Face-to-face
- ☐ Virtual/Telehealth
- ☐ Hybrid In-person & Virtual

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SAVE

Add Observation Hours



☐ Other

SETTINGS AND HOURS OF EXPERIENCE

Check and enter hours for all settings that apply to your experience in this facility.

Setting:*

Search or select from list

Hours*

Completed

Planned, In-Progress

+ ADD ANOTHER

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TOTAL HOURS COMPLETED

TOTAL HOURS PLANNED, IN-PROGRESS

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OBSERVATION HOURS CONTINUED

AFTER SUBMITTING YOUR PTCAS APPLICATION YOU CAN GO BACK IN AND ADD MORE OBSERVATION HOURS. HOWEVER, THESE MUST BE HOURS AT A NEW CLINIC. YOU CANNOT GO BACK AND ADD MORE HOURS TO A PREVIOUS CLINIC.

CLICK [HERE](#) FOR A LIST OF OBSERVATION REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM.



ADDING OBSERVATION HOURS

1. CLICK **ADD OBSERVATION HOURS**.

2. ENTER INFORMATION ABOUT THE FACILITY WHERE THE OBSERVATION HOURS TOOK PLACE.

3. ENTER THE DATE RANGE IN WHICH THE OBSERVATION HOURS TOOK PLACE. NOTE THAT YOUR OBSERVATION HOURS WILL NOT DISPLAY ON YOUR APPLICATION IN ANY SPECIFIC ORDER, REGARDLESS OF THE DATES ENTERED.

4. INDICATE IF THE OBSERVATION HOURS WERE PAID, VOLUNTEER, OR BOTH.

5. ENTER THE TOTAL NUMBER OF OBSERVATION HOURS COMPLETED AND PLANNED/IN PROGRESS FOR THIS FACILITY.

6. INDICATE THE DIAGNOSES AND PATIENTS YOU DIRECTLY OBSERVED.

7. SELECT THE WAY YOU WANT YOUR HOURS TO BE VERIFIED, IF APPLICABLE. YOU CAN CHOOSE:

1. **Send my PT observation hours to my PT/PTA supervisor for verification:** PTCAS will email your PT/PTA supervisor instructions for verifying your hours via Letters by Liaison. We recommend asking your PT/PTA supervisor to monitor their inbox (including spam and junk folders) for an automated email from PTCAS.
2. **Upload a signed form verifying my PT observation hours:** upload a document that verifies your hours (typically an image of a paper hours form signed by the PT/PTA).
3. **I will not have my PT observation hours verified:** select this option if none of your selected programs require PT hour verification or if you will not request verification for this particular experience

8. ENTER INFORMATION ABOUT THE LICENSED PHYSICAL THERAPIST/PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT WHO SUPERVISED YOU AND CAN VERIFY YOUR HOURS. IF AN OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR AT THE FACILITY WILL VERIFY YOUR HOURS IN LIEU OF THE PHYSICAL THERAPIST/PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT, ENTER THE NAME AND EMAIL ADDRESS OF THE OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR. IF YOU DON'T KNOW THE PHYSICAL THERAPIST/PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT'S PT LICENSE NUMBER AND PT LICENSE STATE, YOU CAN LEAVE THESE FIELDS BLANK.

9. IF APPLICABLE, CLICK **ADD DOCUMENT** TO UPLOAD YOUR HOURS' DOCUMENTATION. ACCEPTED DOCUMENT FORMATS ARE PDF (.PDF), MICROSOFT WORD (.DOC), RICH TEXT FORMAT (.RTF), OR ASCII TEXT FILE (.TXT). UPLOADED DOCUMENTS MUST BE LESS THAN 5MB IN SIZE.

10. CLICK **SAVE AND CONTINUE**.

EXPERIENCES

You may update the information in this section at any time prior to submission. Once you have submitted, you will be able to add more Experiences, but you will not be able to update or delete completed Experiences. Once you submit your application, you cannot edit previously entered experiences, but you can add new experiences.

Add Experiences



Experience Type*

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TYPES OF EXPERIENCES

1. Click **Add an Experience**.
2. Select the appropriate experience type from the drop-down.
3. Enter information about the organization where the experience took place.
4. Enter information about your supervisor at the organization. This is a person that programs can contact to verify that this experience occurred. If the experience was a student-organized group and there was no advisor, list a member who can verify your experience.
5. Enter the date or date range in which the experience took place. Note that your experiences will not display on your application in any specific order, regardless of the dates entered.
6. Enter additional details about the experience, including the title of the experience and the time commitments. Enter the average weekly number of hours that you completed for this experience during the date range that you indicated.
7. Select **Yes** or **No** to indicate a release authorization to allow your selected programs to contact the organization.
8. Click **Save & Continue**.

Note that you cannot repeat hours between experience types. So, if position duties encompass more than one section, enter the position in both sections and divide the hours and duties accordingly.

Employment

Paid work done outside of the physical therapy field; for example, a retail or restaurant job.

Do not enter work experience from high school.

Extracurricular Activities

Related activities you would like your selected programs to review; for example, academic clubs and competitive teams. Do not include paid work experience in this section.

Research

Any experience working on a research project, preferably in addition to or outside of regular classroom work. This may include student research positions, research technician positions, summer research student, master's rotational student, etc.

Volunteer

Volunteer work done outside of the health care field; for example, working for Habitat for Humanity, tutoring students, participating in or working for a fundraiser walk or blood drive, etc.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Enter any relevant professional or academic achievements in several categories, or types, in this section. Once you submit your application, you cannot edit previously entered achievements, but you can add new achievements.

Add Achievements



Type*

ACHIEVEMENT DETAILS

Name*

Name of Presenting Organization

Issued Date

Month

Day

Year

Brief Description

600 characters remaining

0 words

ADDING AN ACHIEVEMENT

1. Click **Add An Achievement**.
2. Select the type of achievement.
3. Enter the name of the achievement.
4. Enter the name of the organization that presented the achievement, if applicable.
5. Enter the issued date.
6. Enter a brief description, especially if the achievement is not clear based on its title. You can also note if any special circumstances surrounded it. If your achievement was awarded multiple times (e.g., Dean's List), use this field to explain that instead of creating multiple instances.
7. Click **Save This Achievement**. Your saved achievements will not display in any particular order, regardless of the order or dates you enter.

Note that once you submit your application, you cannot edit or remove your achievements; however, you can continue to add new achievements, as needed.

Achievement Types

Awards

Awards received as a prize, such as trophies and medals.

Honors

Honors received as a special distinction for work done, including Dean's List and memberships in honor societies.

Scholarships

Scholarships earned based on academic, athletic, and other achievements.

LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS

You may update the information in this section at any time prior to submission. Once you have submitted, you will be able to add more Licenses and Certifications, but you will not be able to update or delete completed Licenses and Certifications. Once you submit your application, you cannot edit previously entered licenses and certifications, but you can add new licenses and certifications.

< Add Licenses And Certifications



Type*

Certifications

Licenses

ADDING A LICENSE OR CERTIFICATION

1. CLICK **ADD A LICENSE OR CERTIFICATION**.
 2. SELECT **LICENSES** OR **CERTIFICATIONS** FROM THE **TYPE** DROP-DOWN.
 3. ENTER THE TYPE OF LICENSE OR CERTIFICATION.
 4. ENTER THE NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION THAT ISSUED THE LICENSE OR CERTIFICATION.
 5. ENTER THE DATE ON WHICH THE LICENSE OR CERTIFICATION WAS ISSUED AND THE DATE IT IS VALID TO, IF APPLICABLE. BECAUSE YOU CAN ONLY LIST CURRENT LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS, THE SYSTEM WILL NOT LET YOU ENTER A PAST DATE IN THE **VALID UNTIL** FIELD.
 6. SELECT THE STATE THE LICENSE OR CERTIFICATION WAS ISSUED IN.
 7. UPLOAD A COPY OF THE LICENSE OR CERTIFICATION.
 8. CLICK **SAVE & CONTINUE**.
- NOTE THAT ONCE YOU SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION, YOU CANNOT EDIT OR REMOVE LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS; HOWEVER, YOU CAN CONTINUE TO ADD NEW ONES, AS NEEDED.

ESSAY

This essay can't be more than 4500 characters.

You can attend UGA Career Center by making an appointment for in person or virtually.

You can find personal statement do's and don'ts [here](#).

More tips can be found on our [website](#).

Essay

Respond to the essay prompt below. Visit the [Applicant Help Center](#) for more information. DPT program faculty and admissions committees are looking for you to use this essay to persuade the reader that the physical therapy profession is the right fit for you. Please keep this in mind as you complete your personal essay.

Once you submit your application, you cannot edit this section.

* Indicates required field

ESSAY

As a prospective Doctor of Physical Therapy, how do you see yourself having an impact on the profession upon entering the field? Consider areas such as practice, education, research, leadership, or community-based endeavors.*

4500 characters remaining

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ESSAY TIPS

• **KEEP YOUR TOPIC GENERAL:** KEEP THE STATEMENT GENERAL AS THIS ESSAY IS SENT TO ALL THE PROGRAMS YOU APPLY TO. IF YOU PLAN TO ONLY APPLY TO ONE PROGRAM, WE STILL STRONGLY RECOMMEND KEEPING YOUR STATEMENT GENERAL IN CASE YOU LATER APPLY TO ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS. ONCE YOU SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION, THE ESSAY CANNOT BE EDITED OR CHANGED.

• **DO NOT EXCEED THE MAXIMUM LENGTH:** YOU CAN SEE BOTH THE WORD AND CHARACTER COUNT BELOW THE FIELD IN THE APPLICATION. THE RIGHT-HAND NUMBER SHOWS THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CHARACTERS THAT YOU CAN USE IN YOUR ESSAY. AS YOU TYPE, YOU CAN SEE HOW MANY CHARACTERS ARE STILL AVAILABLE AND THE ASSOCIATED WORD COUNT. CHARACTERS INCLUDE SPACES, CARRIAGE RETURNS, AND PUNCTUATION. YOU CANNOT SAVE YOUR ESSAY IF IT EXCEEDS THE 4,500 CHARACTER LIMIT.

• **USE YOUR OWN WORDS:** PLAGIARIZING ANY PART OF YOUR ESSAY IS A VIOLATION OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT AND MAY SUBJECT YOU TO SANCTIONS.

• **USE SIMPLE FORMATTING:** FORMATTING SUCH AS TABS, ITALICS, MULTIPLE SPACES, ETC., WILL NOT BE SAVED. TO DELINEATE PARAGRAPHS, TYPE A DOUBLE RETURN BETWEEN EACH PARAGRAPH.

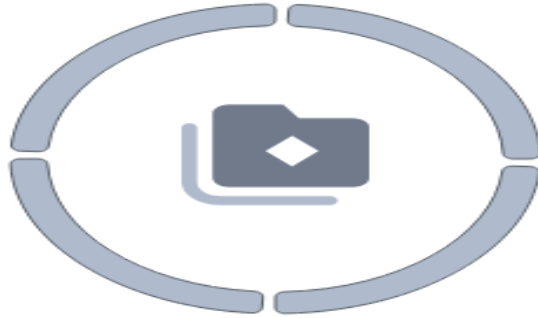
BE SURE TO READ OVER YOUR ESSAY SEVERAL TIMES TO CATCH ANY SPELLING, GRAMMAR, PUNCTUATION, ETC., ERRORS BEFORE SUBMITTING. ONCE YOU SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION, YOU CANNOT EDIT YOUR ESSAY. IF YOU FIND AN ERROR AFTER SUBMISSION THAT YOU BELIEVE COULD HAVE MAJOR EFFECTS ON YOUR APPLICATION, WE RECOMMEND SENDING A CORRECTED COPY DIRECTLY TO THE PROGRAMS YOU APPLIED TO.

PROGRAM MATERIALS

The program materials section will consist of FAQ, deadlines, questions to be answered, and a list of pre-requisites. Each school you are applying to will be listed in this section.

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Doctor of Physical Therapy

Georgia Southern University - Armstrong Campus

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Doctor of Physical Therapy

Georgia State University

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Mercer University

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Doctor of Physical Therapy

University of North Georgia

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PROGRAM MATERIALS CONTINUED

HOME

THE **HOME** TAB CONTAINS THE PROGRAM DETAILS PROVIDED BY EACH PROGRAM AT THE START OF THE APPLICATION CYCLE. IT INCLUDES DEADLINES AND OTHER INFORMATION SPECIFIC TO THE PROGRAM. BE SURE TO REVIEW THIS PAGE CAREFULLY FOR ANY ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS, INFORMATION, AND/OR REQUIREMENTS.

DETAILS

The **Details** section contains basic program information, such as the location and deadline. Be sure to review this page carefully for any additional instructions, information, and/or requirements.

PROGRAM QUESTIONS

The **Program Questions** section is only available for certain programs. Here, you can answer questions specific to each program. Questions may be multiple choice or open-ended text boxes. Some programs require an additional essay. Contact each program directly if you have questions.

Select your answers for each question and then click **Save and Continue**. If copying a response into a text box, check for possible formatting changes. We suggest using simple formatting, as tabs, italics, multiple spaces, etc., will not be saved. To delineate paragraphs, type a double return between each paragraph.

DOCUMENTS

The **Documents** section is only available for certain programs. Uploaded documents will only be visible to that specific program. Documents that do not have a red asterisk are optional and do not need to be uploaded for you to submit your application.

Contact the program directly if you have any questions about their specific requirements.

If your program provides a PDF form to fill out and upload in this section, you must save and upload it as an image. Depending on your computer's operating system, there may be multiple ways to do this; a Google search can point you in the right direction.

Once your application is submitted, you cannot re-upload, update, or edit the documents in any way; however, you can upload new documents (if available).

References

References (sometimes called Letters of Evaluation, Letters of Reference, or Letters of Recommendation) are submitted by the references themselves; they cannot be completed or submitted by the applicant or another party on behalf of the reference. We are not responsible for verifying references' identities. If a discrepancy is found, we reserve the right to contact the appropriate individuals to investigate and to share the discrepancy with all programs.

Before getting started, consider the following:

- **All references are submitted electronically** by references using [Liaison Letters](#), our Recommender Portal.
- **Research each program's requirements.** You should determine whether your programs have specific requirements regarding reference roles or relationships before listing references on your application. Many programs have strict guidelines and completed references cannot be removed or replaced.
- **Choose your references early in the application process** to ensure they have adequate time to submit your reference.
- **Prepare your references.** Once you choose your references, be sure to inform them about the process and that they will be completing the reference electronically. We recommend getting their preferred email address and asking that they monitor that inbox for your reference request (which will come from support@ptcas.myliaison.com), including any junk or spam folders.

The Reference Process

When you request references, your reference receives an email request with a link to Liaison Letters. References review your requests, and then accept, complete, or deny them. References may complete assessments such as writing essays, completing Likert scales, and/or uploading letters. Once your reference completes your reference, you'll be notified via email. You can check the status of your reference requests in the **Statuses** section of your application at any time.

Visit the [APTA site](#) for more information on each program's reference requirements.

Submit a Reference Request

Submit a Request

- In the **References** section, click the plus sign to add a reference.
- Enter the reference's full name and email address.
- Select the date by which you would like this reference completed. This date should be before your program(s) deadline.
- Enter a brief message or note for the reference.
- Select whether you want to waive your right of access to the reference. See **Waiver** below.
- Click the checkboxes to indicate your permission for us (and programs) to contact your references.
- Click **Save This Reference Request** to submit it. Once you do so, an email is immediately sent to the reference.
- Confirm with your references that they received the email notification.
- Add more references as needed. Then, click I'm **Done Adding References**.
- Use the **Statuses** section to monitor the status of your references. Completed references are marked as "Complete" and have a Complete Date listed. Follow up with your references if their references are still marked as "Requested" or "Accepted." It is your responsibility to ensure that reference requests are received and completed on time. We will not notify applicants about missing references.

Resend the Reference Request

If you need to resend a request:

- In the **References** section, locate the request you wish to res-end.
- Click the **pencil icon** to edit the request.
- Scroll to the bottom of the page and click **Re-send**.

•Change the Reference's Email Address

•If you entered an incorrect email address for any references (or if any reference asks that you send the request to a different email address), you must delete these requests and then re-add them with the correct email.

•Waiver

•The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) gives you the right to access references unless you choose to waive your right of inspection and review. Prior to requesting any references, you are required to indicate whether you wish to waive your rights. PTCAS will release your decision to waive or not waive access to your references and designated programs.

Your waiver decision serves the same purpose as a legal signature and is binding.

•Selecting **Yes** indicates to programs that your reference completed their reference with the understanding that you would not be able to view it. This means you will not be able to see the content of the reference. Programs may view this type of reference as a more accurate representation of an applicant's qualifications.

•Selecting **No** indicates to programs that your reference completed their reference with the understanding that you may choose to view it in the future. Selecting this option does not allow you to view your reference via the application. If you do not waive your right to view the reference, you may ask your reference for a copy of the reference. Programs may view this type of reference as a less accurate representation of an applicant's qualifications.

•Once you make a selection, you can't change it, so consider the choices carefully.

PROGRAM MATERIALS: KIRA ASSESSMENT

KIRA ASSESSMENT

SOME PROGRAMS MAY REQUEST OR REQUIRE THAT YOU COMPLETE A KIRA TALENT ASSESSMENT, WHICH IS SEPARATE FROM YOUR PTCAS APPLICATION. KIRA TALENT IS A CLOUD-BASED, ONLINE VIDEO SCREENING PLATFORM WHERE YOUR PROGRAMS CREATE VIRTUAL INTERVIEW QUESTIONS. CONTACT EACH PROGRAM DIRECTLY IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS.

TO SUBMIT A KIRA ASSESSMENT:

1. CLICK **OPEN KIRA ASSESSMENT**.
2. YOU WILL THEN BE REDIRECTED TO KIRA TALENT, WHERE YOU CAN REGISTER AND COMPLETE YOUR ASSESSMENT.

ONCE YOU COMPLETE THE KIRA ASSESSMENT, RETURN TO YOUR PTCAS APPLICATION TO VERIFY THAT THE SECTION IS MARKED COMPLETE. IT CAN TAKE UP TO ONE HOUR TO UPDATE, AND YOU MAY NEED TO REFRESH THE PAGE.

NOTE: IF YOUR PROGRAM'S KIRA ASSESSMENT IS OPTIONAL, YOU CAN CHOOSE NOT TO SUBMIT ONE BY CLICKING **DO NOT WANT TO COMPLETE THIS ASSESSMENT**.



PROGRAM MATERIALS: PREREQUISITES

PREREQUISITES

THE **PREREQUISITES** TAB IS ONLY AVAILABLE FOR CERTAIN PROGRAMS. IN IT, YOU CAN ASSIGN COURSES YOU TOOK (OR PLAN TO TAKE) TO FULFILL THE PROGRAM'S REQUIRED PREREQUISITES. YOU MUST COMPLETE TRANSCRIPT ENTRY AND TRANSCRIPT REVIEW IN ORDER TO COMPLETE THIS SECTION.

NOTE THAT ASSIGNING THESE COURSES **DOES NOT NECESSARILY MEAN YOU MEET THE PROGRAM'S PREREQUISITE REQUIREMENTS**; THE PROGRAM WANTS YOU TO SELF-IDENTIFY THESE COURSES FOR THEIR REVIEW. CONTACT EACH PROGRAM DIRECTLY IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THESE PREREQUISITES.

ASSIGN A PREREQUISITE

1. CLICK **ASSIGN COURSE**.
 2. CLICK THE PLUS SIGN NEXT TO THE COURSE(S) THAT YOU BELIEVE FULFILLS THE PREREQUISITE. YOU CAN MATCH MULTIPLE COURSES TO ONE PREREQUISITE, IF APPLICABLE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A PREREQUISITE COURSE TO ADD, CLICK **I AM NOT MATCHING ANY COURSES TO THIS PREREQUISITE**.
 3. CLICK **SAVE AND EXIT**.
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Using Transcript Entry for Program Prerequisites

I have made a fake application. As you can see in the image you will include you AP grades in your freshman year of wherever you attended your first year of college.

Enter the grade as "CR" as I did as an example for ENGL 1101.

If you are applying to a school that has an outstanding prerequisite do not forget to put the course you plan to take (or would take if admitted) into FALL 2026 or SPRING 2027.

University Of Georgia

▼ Winter 2020 Freshman

Course Code	Course Title / Classifications	Credits	Grade / CAS Grade	Action
CBIO 2200	ANATOMY	4.00	85 / B	
ENG 1101	COMP ENG11	3.00	CR	
BIOL 1108 LAB	BIOLOGY	1.00	K	
ENGL 1101	INTRO TO ENGL	3.00	CR	

▼ Summer 1 2025 Senior • In-Progress

Course Code	Course Title / Classifications	Credits	Grade / CAS Grade	Action
CBIO 2210	ANA 2	4.00	-	
HDFS 2299	HDFS	0.00	-	
BIO	BIO	0.00	-	
CHEM 1212	3	3.00	-	

▼ Spring 2026 Post-Baccalaureate • In-Progress

Course Code	Course Title / Classifications	Credits	Grade / CAS Grade	Action
BIOL 1108	BIO 2	4.00	-	
CBIO 2200	ANAT	4.00	-	

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Prerequisites

Doctor of Physical Therapy

Georgia Southern University - Armstrong Campus

[DETAILS](#)[PROGRAM QUESTIONS](#)[REFERENCES](#)[PREREQUISITES](#)

DPT programs may have additional course requirements, preferences, or policies beyond what is displayed on this screen; and may require a minimum grade higher than 2.0 ("C"). You are strongly encouraged to visit the PTCAS Directory <http://www.ptcas.org/DirectoryProgramsList/> to view additional details about each program's course prerequisites.



Anatomy & Physiology I

Course should be part of a sequence of anatomy and physiology with laboratories; may be human or upper division vertebrate anatomy and physiology, or combination of comparative or developmental anatomy and physiology.

Minimum Credits 4 • Minimum Grade 3

[ADD COURSE](#)

Anatomy & Physiology II

See course description for A&P I

Minimum Credits 4 • Minimum Grade 3

[ADD COURSE](#)

Biology I

One general biology course with laboratory (not botany, ecology, or environmental science).

Minimum Credits 4 • Minimum Grade 3

[ADD COURSE](#)

Chemistry I

This course should be part of a one-year sequence of basic (general, inorganic) chemistry with laboratories that is designed for science or health professions majors.

Minimum Credits 4 • Minimum Grade 3

[ADD COURSE](#)

Chemistry II

See course description for Chemistry I

Minimum Credits 4 • Minimum Grade 3

[ADD COURSE](#)[Chat](#)[CONTINUE](#)

Physics I

CASPER

See the Power Point I made on CASPER on our website [here](#)

GA SCHOOLS WHO NEED CASPER:

- **Augusta University Physical Therapy**
- **Georgia Southern University Physical Therapy**
- **University of North Georgia Physical Therapy**

PTCAS is only the beginning:

Most physical therapy programs require supplemental applications in addition to PTCAS.

Applying to PT school can be costly and may include:

- Supplemental application fees
- Interview-related expenses
- Acceptance deposits

Because of the time and financial commitment involved, students should apply only to programs they would genuinely consider attending if accepted.

STILL HAVE QUESTIONS?

PTCAS

- PTCAS Phone: 617-612-2040
- Application Website:
<https://ptcas.liaisoncas.com/applicant-ux/#/login>
- Email: ptcasinfo@ptcas.org
- Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday, 9 AM – 5 PM, EST.
- PTCAS Chat: You can chat with a live agent by using the chat in the bottom right corner. Be sure to have your CAS ID number available (located in the upper-right hand corner of the application) when chatting with PTCAS.

Contact your program directly for questions about the following:

- Admission requirements and policies
- Deadline requirements
- Supplemental Materials
- Requirements about letters of evaluation
- Admission decisions and interviews
- Content and duration of a particular school's program

THANK YOU

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<https://ppao.uga.edu/about/advisors/>

