

Admissions Criteria for the Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA) Program

Applicants must earn a minimum adjusted individual total score of 55% on the TEAS. Applicants for the PTA program must also complete 30 hours of observation in a Physical Therapy Clinic or department under the supervision of a licensed PT or PTA. Observation hours must be obtained from a minimum of two (2) different sites and minimum of 10 hours at any site. Upon completion of the required observation hours, the applicant will complete a written essay, at the campus, based on the completed observation experience. If an applicant is employed in a PTA facility, they may submit a letter of reference from a supervisor in lieu of 20 observation hours. Applicants with no experience in health care, especially physical therapy, will view a video on the various practice settings of physical therapy. Applicants who complete all of the admissions requirements and receive positive recommendations from the PT or PTA at the facility where observation hours were completed, will be admitted into the PTA program.