EAST CAROLINA DPT – DOCTOR OF PHYSICAL THERAPY PROGRAM

http://www.ecu.edu/pt/

3 Year Program

Application Deadline:

• Program starts the 1st summer session of year admitted (May) and terminates with completion of the 3rd spring semester. Variations in the length of specific affiliations may alter actual date of program completion. Applications to the DPT program will be accepted during the fall semester of each year for enrollment in the program starting the following summer. (ECU no longer offers the MPT). Admission is competitive and limited to 30 students. Deadline date for receipt of applications is January 15th. Applicants are notified of their acceptance status in March and the program begins the 1st summer session in May.
• The DPT is a three-year, 106 semester hour program that includes 32 weeks of clinical education

Basic Admitting Stats and requirements:

30 students representing 80% in state

• Applicants must apply separately to both the DPT program and ECU Graduate School.
• Must have satisfactory Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores (must also take the WRITING portion of the GRE)
• Must provide evidence of exposure to the practice of physical therapy. Must be supervised by a licensed physical therapist. A minimum of 100 hours is encouraged.
• Must have two of the three letters of reference (from the ECU Graduate School application) be completed by licensed PTs who supervised the applicant's PT experience.
• Must present evidence that the required prerequisite course work will be completed and an undergraduate degree from an accredited institution conferred before the start of the program in the summer.
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• A selected number of applicants will be required to be interviewed.

Admission preference is given to North Carolina residents.

Course Prerequisites:

• General Chemistry – 8 hours with lab
  o CH 101/102, 201/202, 221, 223
• General Physics – 8 hours with lab
  o PY 211/212 or 205/208
• Biology – 12 hours to include 8 hours biology, 1 semester human physiology with lab or 4 hours biology and 2 semesters human physiology & anatomy
  o BIO 181/183 or ZO 150/160, Zo 212 and Zo 412 and 421, or BIO 495 A & B
• College algebra or higher and statistics – 8 hours with lab
  o MA 107 or higher, and ST 311
• Psychology – (6 semester hours)
  o Any two psychology courses.

Test Scores:
Satisfactory Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores (must also take the WRITING portion of the GRE)

**Clinical Experience:**

Must provide evidence of exposure to the practice of physical therapy. Must be supervised by a licensed physical therapist. A minimum of 100 hours is encouraged.

**Contact Information:**

For further information contact: For more information regarding prerequisite courses, please contact Dr. Denis Brunt, bruntd@ecu.edu or the Pre-Health Advisor, Kathy Bernstein, bernsteink@ecu.edu.