



**NORTHEASTERN**  
STATE UNIVERSITY

*College of Science & Health Professions*

**Pre-Physical Therapy at OUHSC**

The Pre-Physical Therapy Program at NSU is designed for students interested in the Doctor of Physical Therapy degree at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center. Applicants must have a minimum cumulative and science GPA of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale for all college work and natural science courses attempted. An average cumulative and science GPA of 3.7 and a science/math GPA of 3.5 is typical for students admitted to the program. All pre-requisite courses must be completed with grades of C or better and at least 6 of the 8 pre-requisites must be completed by the application deadline. Selection of students is competitive and is made on the basis of academic achievement, standardized test scores, and knowledge of healthcare services. Applicants must observe a minimum of 40 hours in a physical therapy setting and take the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) prior to the February 1 application date. **An earned Bachelor degree from an accredited college or university prior to enrollment in the program is required.**

**MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:**

		<u>Hours</u>	<u>Completed</u>
Biology 1123	Evolution & Diversity	3	<input type="checkbox"/>
Biology 1131	Investigative Laboratory	1	<input type="checkbox"/>
Biology 2154	Human Anatomy (Lecture & Lab)	4	<input type="checkbox"/>
Biology 3314	Human Physiology (Lecture & Lab)	4	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chemistry 1123, 1131	General Chemistry I (Lecture & Lab)	4	<input type="checkbox"/>
Physics 1115	General Physics I (Lecture & Lab)	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
Physics 1215	General Physics II (Lecture & Lab)	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
Psychology 1113*	General Psychology	3	<input type="checkbox"/>
Psychology 2023	Life Span Development	3	<input type="checkbox"/>
Psychology 3553	Psychological Statistics	3	<input type="checkbox"/>

**\*PSYC 1113 NSU Prerequisite**

As consistent with the practice of the Colleges of the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, the College of Allied Health will no longer honor the Regents' academic forgiveness policy on admission. This means that if you retake courses, the grades from those courses will be averaged. The higher grade will not replace the lower grade for GPA calculations.

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### **Program Description**

The Doctor of Physical Therapy Program consists of 108 semester hours of sequenced and integrated didactic and clinical courses. All didactic course work is offered on the OUHSC campuses in Oklahoma City and Tulsa. This program begins in the summer of every year. Clinical courses are completed within the state and region.

### **Application Requirements**

Admission to the program requires completion of pre-requisite course work and submission of all application materials. The Department Admissions Committee will review application materials and will request additional information such as a personal interview. To be considered for admission to the Physical Therapy Program an applicant must have:

1. Have earned a bachelor degree from an accredited college or university prior to enrollment in the program
2. Be in good standing with the college or university last or currently attending
3. Have a minimum cumulative and science grade point average of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale for all college work and natural science courses attempted.
4. Have completed all department pre-requisite courses with grades of C or better and at least 6 of the 8 pre-requisites must be completed by the application deadline.
5. Document 40 hours of observation experience in a variety of physical therapy settings prior to application.
6. Submit Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores: General Test (1000-1100 competitive)
7. Students for whom English is a second language must submit a minimum score of 600 (paper), 250 (computer) or 100 (internet) within two years prior to application on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL).

### **Application Procedure**

1. Submit a completed online application from: <http://www.ah.ouhsc.edu/main/application/default.asp>
2. Submit the following by **February 1** of the year in which admission is sought:
  - a. A completed University of Oklahoma Health Science Center application
  - b. Official transcripts from all colleges or universities attended
  - c. Documentation of observation experience (40 Hours)
  - d. GRE scores
  - e. Non-refundable application fees
3. A letter of acceptance, alternate status, or denial to the Physical Therapy Program will be mailed the latter part of April. If notification is not received by May 1 contact the department.
4. The applicant must accept the position in writing within two weeks of notification and confirm their intention to enroll and attend with a \$100 non-refundable deposit. The deposit is applied toward tuition and fees during the first term or the position will be considered declined. Alternates will be selected according to ranking. Alternates may be admitted up to the first class day for the summer semester if all positions have not been filled.

### **Two Campuses: Oklahoma City and Tulsa**

### **Typical Admissions Statistics**

Doctor of Physical Therapy  
222 Applied | 60 Admitted | 3.71 Avg. Cumulative GPA | 3.53 Avg. Sci. GPA | GRE - Avg. Verbal + Quantitative = 1150, Avg. Analytical Writing = 4.3

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