

THOMAS JEFFERSON UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS
AND
SHIPPENSBURG UNIVERSITY
AFFILIATE PROGRAMS

MINIMUM COURSE REQUIREMENTS FOR ENTRY INTO THE PROGRAM OF
DOCTOR OF PHYSICAL THERAPY
(4 year baccalaureate degree required for entry into this program)

Thomas Jefferson Requirements	Shippensburg University Equivalent Courses (in credits)
1. Biological Sciences (16 credits) (including physiology, anatomy)	Principles of Biology I - BIO 115 (4) Principles of Biology II - BIO 116 (4) Human Physiology - BIO 350 (4) Human Anatomy - BIO 371 (4)
2. Chemistry (general) (8 credits)	Chemical Bonding - CHM 121 (3) Laboratory IB - CHM 125 (1) Chemical Dynamics - CHM 122 (3) Laboratory IIB - CHM 126 (1)
3. Physics (8 credits)	Introductory Physics I and laboratory- PHY 121 & 123 (4) Introductory Physics II and laboratory - PHY 122 & 125 (4)
4. Precalculus/Calculus (3 credits)	Precalculus - MAT 124 (4) OR Calculus I - MAT 211 (4)
5. Statistics (3 credits)	Statistics - MTH 102 (3) OR MTH 170 (4) OR Research Design & Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences I – PSY 105 (3)
6. Composition (3 credits)	Writing Intensive 1 st year seminar - ENG 106 (3)
7. Additional Humanities (6 credits) (preferred-->)	Intro. to Human Communication - HCS 100 (3) OR Technical/Professional Writing I - ENG 238 (3) OR Introduction to Philosophy - PHL 101 (3) OR Introduction to Ethics - PHL 105 (3) OR Art Appreciation - ART 101 (3) OR Intro. to Music - MUS 121 (3)
8. Psychology (6 credits)	General Psychology - PSY 101 (3) Abnormal Psychology - PSY 330 (3)
9. Additional Social Sciences (3 cr.)	Child & Adolescent - PSY 265 (3) OR Adulthood & Aging - PSY 352 (3) OR Principles of Sociology - SOC 101 (3) OR Cultural Anthropology - ANT 111 (3)
10. Nutrition or Health & Wellness (3 cr.)	Lifestyle Management - ESC 200 (3) OR Sport Nutrition – ESC 350 (3) OR a nutrition course taken an another institution

NOTE: Students who have minimal experience with microcomputers (PCs) should take a computer science course, e.g., IMS 142 or CSC 103

At least 50 hours of shadowing/hands-on experience in at least two physical therapy settings with certified physical therapists are required.

NOTE: → TJU has rolling admissions - apply EARLY in the fall semester!

See the American Physical Therapy Assoc. website for more information: www.apta.org