

Degree: **Associate in Applied Science**
Major: **PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT (PTA3)- Limited Access Program**
Credit Requirements: 73 semester credit hours

Criminal Background Check Required: YES
Urine Drug Screening Required: YES

The Physical Therapist Assistant program prepares students to implement physical therapy treatment procedures. Physical Therapist Assistants work under the supervision of licensed Physical Therapists to provide interventions that help improve mobility, relieve pain, and prevent or limit permanent physical disabilities of patients suffering from injuries or disease. Other duties include clerical duties, record keeping and continuing education. Employment opportunities include hospitals, rehabilitation centers, schools, home health care and private practice.

The Physical Therapist Assistant program is a limited-access program.

There are specific requirements for placement into this program. Please see the Admissions Office or the program director for details.

ACCREDITATION

Horry-Georgetown Technical College has been granted Candidate for Accreditation status by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education of the American Physical Therapy Association (1111 North Fairfax Street, Alexandria VA, 22314; phone 703-706-3245; e-mail: accreditation@apta.org). Candidacy is not accreditation status nor does it assure eventual accreditation. Candidate for Accreditation is a pre-accreditation status of affiliation with the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education that indicates the program is progressing toward accreditation.

NOTE: Criminal background checks are required of all students enrolling in this program. Felony or misdemeanor convictions could result in applicants and/or students being ineligible to complete the program. Please contact the Admissions Office for more information. A submission of a Physical Therapist Assistant physical examination form indicating the candidate has the ability to perform the physical tasks required for the program.

PROGRESSION REQUIREMENTS

- A grade of "C" or better in each of the required courses.

FIRST SEMESTER (SUMMER 2008)

BIO 210	Anatomy & Physiology I	4
ENG 101	English Composition I	3
MAT 120	Probability and Statistics (Preferred)	3
	OR	
MAT 110	College Algebra	3
PSY 201	General Psychology	3
	Humanities Elective*	3
	TOTAL	16

SECOND SEMESTER (FALL 2008)

BIO 211	Anatomy and Physiology II	4
CPT 101	Introduction to Computers	3
ENG 102	English Composition II	3
PTH 101	Physical Therapy Professional Preparation	2
PTH 221	Pathology I	2
SPC 205	Public Speaking	3
	TOTAL	17

THIRD SEMESTER (SPRING 2009)		
PTH 202	Physical Therapy Modalities	4
PTH 205	Physical Therapy Functional Anatomy	4
PTH 222	Pathology II	2
PTH 234	Clinical Education I	3
PTH 240	Therapeutic Exercise/Applications	5
	TOTAL	18
FOURTH SEMESTER (SUMMER 2009)		
PTH 225	Electrotherapy	2
PTH 242	Orthopedic Management	4
PTH 253	Clinical Practice II	3
	TOTAL	9
FIFTH SEMESTER (FALL 2009)		
PTH 235	Interpersonal Dynamics	2
PTH 244	Rehabilitation	4
PTH 275	Advanced Professional Preparation	1
PTH 276	Physical Therapy Practicum II	6
	TOTAL	13
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	73