To Apply

Please visit our website (www.pacific.edu/pharmacy/dpt) for instructions to apply online using the Physical Therapy Centralized Application Service (PTCAS). The PTCAS application, University of the Pacific Supplemental Application, and all required materials must be received by November 2. Most personal interviews are conducted in January and early February.

General Admission Requirements

 Bachelor's degree
 Prerequisite coursework with a grade of "C" or better
   General Biology with lab
   Human Anatomy with lab
   Human Physiology with lab
   General Chemistry (1 year) with lab
   General Physics (1 year) with lab
   Exercise Physiology
   Abnormal Psychology and one other Psychology course
   Statistics
   Medical Terminology
  50 hours of experience in physical therapy practice settings, at least 25 of which must be in an acute care hospital (not a skilled nursing facility or transitional care unit)
 Three letters of recommendation
 GRE scores
 Successful personal interview

Financial Aid Information

Because of the unique configuration of the Pacific DPT Program, students may be eligible for three years of financial aid. Financial aid years are divided as follows: Year 1: Fall 1 and Winter 1; Year 2: Spring 1 and Fall 2; Year 3: Winter 2 and Spring 2. Contact the Financial Aid Office (209.946.2421) for details.

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Department of Physical Therapy Mission Statement

The mission of Pacific's physical therapy program is to prepare lifelong learners who are skilled, reflective, autonomous practitioners. The program is committed to furthering the body of knowledge of physical therapy and providing leadership within the profession advocating for optimal health, wellness and performance for all members of society.

We accomplish this through a concise program of study emphasizing evidence-based reasoning and creative skills grounded in the basic and clinical sciences. Our academic program is enhanced by a wide variety of innovative clinical experiences and involvement in professional societies.

Outcomes

Pacific's Doctor of Physical Therapy program is committed to:
- Producing high caliber, practice-ready graduates
- Contributing to the body of knowledge of the profession
- Providing leadership in the University and profession
- Participating in on-going assessment to maintain currency and relevance in teaching and practice
- Engaging in local, regional, national, and international service
- Fostering diversity and cultural competence
- Promoting life-long relationships with the Pacific Physical Therapy community

Faculty and Staff in the Department of Physical Therapy

Why Pacific?

Student Centeredness
Personal interviews to help us get to know you
Teaching is our number one priority
Small classes in state of the art facilities

The Curriculum
Concise (25 month) DPT curriculum establishes strong foundation
Dissection-based anatomy with subsequent learning using cadavers in numerous courses
Each term includes opportunities for exposure to patient care
Clinical skills are developed in the context of critical thinking and evidence-based decision making
Clinical internships throughout California and the US, and in England and Africa
Structured service opportunities in Northern California and Latin America

Dedicated Faculty
- All full-time faculty have academic or clinical doctoral degrees
- Full and part-time faculty areas of expertise encompass all major practice areas

Service

Todd Eldon Davenport, DPT, OCS. Assistant Professor
Research interests include treatment for spine and extremity pain and overuse syndromes.

Tamara Little, PT, EdD, FAAOMPT. Associate Professor
Research interests include measures of muscle performance and student learning outcomes.

Cathy Peterson, PT, EdD. Department Chair and Associate Professor
Research interests include international learning, student preparedness, and academic administration.

Sandra Bellamy, PT, DPT, PCS. Assistant Professor
Research interests include rehabilitation of brachial plexus injuries.

Katrin Mattern-Baxter, PT, DPT, PCS. Assistant Professor
Research interests include neuromuscular interventions and cultural competence.

Jim Mansoor, PhD. Professor
Research interests include high altitude physiology and pulmonary diseases.

Christine R. Wilson, PhD, PT. Associate Professor
Research interests include regulation of breathing and treatment efficacy of pulmonary interventions.

Kathleen Salamon, MPH, DPT, GCS. Academic Coordinator of Clinical Education and Assistant Professor
Research interests include geriatric balance, education, and women’s health.

Rosie Fox, Program Services Assistant
Advanced administrative support, budgeting, and support for admissions.

Consuelo Roberts, Administrative Assistant
Support for clinical education and operations.