

PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT, ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE

Program Code: PTAS
Meta-Major: HSCI
Location(s): Melbourne
Delivery Method(s): On-Campus
Previous Degree Required: HS Diploma
Eligible for Financial Aid: Yes
Additional Limited Access Application Process Required: Yes
Program Testing Requirements: CPT - Common Placement Test (PERT, ACCUPLACER, SAT, ACT), TEAS
Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) Code: 51.0806
Florida Department of Education CIP Code: 1351080601

This program prepares the qualified student for employment as a Physical Therapist Assistant.

Graduation from a physical therapist assistant education program accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE), is necessary for eligibility to sit for the licensure examination, which is required in all states. Admission to the Physical Therapist Assistant program is limited. [Visit the program page for more details and how to apply](#) or call (321) 433-7575.

The Physical Therapist Assistant program at Eastern Florida State College is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE):

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Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
General Education Courses		
BSCC 1010	General Biology 1	4
ENC 1101	Composition 1	3
	Humanities Core Requirement	3
	Mathematics Core Requirement	3
	Social/Behavioral Science/Core-Civic Literacy Requirement	3
Major Courses		
PHT 1121	Functional Anatomy and Kinesiology	4
PHT 1200	Introduction to Physical Therapy	2
PHT 1213	Therapeutic Exercise	2
PHT 1300	Pathology for the Physical Therapist Assistant	3
PHT 2140	Rehabilitation Procedures	3
PHT 2211	Therapeutic Modalities	2
PHT 2252	Orthopedic Disabilities and Treatment	4
PHT 2804	Physical Therapist Assistant Clinical Practicum 1	2

PHT 2810	Physical Therapist Assistant Clinical Practicum 2	2
PHT 2820	Physical Therapist Assistant Clinical Practicum 3	2
PHT 2931	Physical Therapist Assistant Seminar	2
PHTC 2162	Neurologic Disabilities and Treatment	3
PHTL 1121	Functional Anatomy and Kinesiology Laboratory	2
PHTL 1200	Introduction to Physical Therapy Laboratory	2
PHTL 1213	Therapeutic Exercise Laboratory	3
PHTL 2140	Rehabilitation Procedures Laboratory	1
PHTL 2211	Therapeutic Modalities Laboratory	3

Support Courses

BSCC 2093	Human Anatomy and Physiology 1	4
BSCC 2094	Human Anatomy and Physiology 2	4
HSC 1531	Medical Terminology	2
HSCC 1000	Introduction to Healthcare	3
PSY 2012	General Psychology 1	3

Total Credit Hours 74

Note: A grade of "C" or higher is necessary in each major course for progression and graduation.

Learning Outcomes: Physical Therapist Assistant A.S.

- Perform documentation techniques
 - Core Ability Supported: *Think Critically and Solve Problems*
- Demonstrate procedures for safe transport and transfers of patients
 - Core Ability Supported: *Communicate Effectively*
- Identify soft tissue structures around the shoulder girdle and joint
 - Core Ability Supported: *Think Critically and Solve Problems*
- Demonstrate manual muscle testing of various muscles throughout the lower extremity
 - Core Ability Supported: *Communicate Effectively*
- Investigate orthopedic management of the spine
 - Core Ability Supported: *Process Information*
- Investigate resistance exercise for impaired muscle performance
 - Core Ability Supported: *Think Critically and Solve Problems*
- Explain positioning and handling for improving motor function
 - Core Ability Supported: *Think Critically and Solve Problems*
- Demonstrate professional behavior while in clinical setting
 - Core Ability Supported: *Work Cooperatively*
- Create a product or program serving the needs of a defined community
 - Core Ability Supported: *Model Ethical and Civic Responsibility*
- Explain the PTA's role in treating patients in the intensive care unit (ICU)
 - Core Ability Supported: *Think Critically and Solve Problems*
- Assess tissue response to injury
 - Core Ability Supported: *Think Critically and Solve Problems*
- Perform massage as physical therapy intervention
 - Core Ability Supported: *Communicate Effectively*
- Demonstrate exercise interventions for improving dysfunction in the spine
 - Core Ability Supported: *Communicate Effectively*
- Use appropriate channels of communication
 - Core Ability Supported: *Communicate Effectively*

15. Practice basic home assessments

- *Core Ability Supported: Think Critically and Solve Problems*