



Physical Therapist Assistant

Provide the highest quality of patient care by helping individuals regain movement and manage pain. Physical Therapist Assistants serve in a variety of health care settings under the direction of a Physical Therapist.

Demand for the physical therapy industry is increasing in response to the needs of the baby-boom generation. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of physical therapist assistants is expected to increase 26 percent from 2018-2028.

At McLennan, you can become trained as a Physical Therapist Assistant in only two years. You'll earn an associate degree and be prepared to take the licensure exam approved by the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners, so you can begin a rewarding career in the health care field.



What You'll Learn

- Physical therapy knowledge and skills
- Treatment plans
- Working with patients
- Communication with patients, families, colleagues, health care providers, and the public

What You'll Get

- Classroom, laboratory and clinic experience
- Instructors who are dedicated to your success
- A program with a great reputation and that has trained many of the Physical Therapist Assistants in Central Texas

Admission Requirements

- Admission is competitive. Meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee admission to the program.
- Completion of BIOL 2401 Anatomy & Physiology I, with a 2.5 or better
- Completion and timely submission of the PTA application packet
- Applicants are **STRONGLY** encouraged to complete all 5 of the general academic prerequisite courses prior to applying to the PTA program.



How to Apply

- Completed MCC application forms and official transcripts to the Office of Student Records
- Completed PTA application and official or unofficial transcripts to the PTA Program Director
- Completion and verification of 40 hours of volunteer/observation or work experience in two different physical therapy settings using the MCC/PTA Physical Therapy Experience Form
- Two completed MCC/PTA Basic Workplace Skills Assessment Forms

APPLICATION FORMS AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD FROM THE PTA WEBSITE:

www.mclennan.edu/health-professions/physical-therapist-assistant

Financial Aid

If you are interested in applying for financial aid, please complete the FAFSA at www.fafsa.gov. For more information about financial aid, go to www.mclennan.edu/financial-aid or call McLennan's Highlander Central at 254-299-8622.

Clinical Experiences

You'll get a chance to earn valuable experience in a physical therapy setting by completing three, six-week long, full-time clinical rotations during the last two semesters of the program.

You'll work with physical therapists and clients, implement treatment plans and perform data collection techniques. You'll learn to work in a manner that shows understanding of the responsibilities of the PTA in the physical therapy delivery system.

Learn More

To find out more about the Physical Therapist Assistant Program at McLennan, visit www.mclennan.edu/health-professions/physical-therapist-assistant or contact the program director listed below.

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A lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission to and participation in career and technical education programs.

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La falta de conocimiento del idioma inglés no será un impedimento para la admisión y participación en programas de educación técnica y profesional.

For students in this course who may have a criminal background, please be advised that the background could keep you from being licensed by the State of Texas. If you have a question about your background and licensure, please speak with your faculty member or the department chair. You also have the right to request a criminal history evaluation letter from the applicable licensing agency.

For more
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