

## **Frequent Asked Questions**

### **Admissions requirements**

1. Do you accept the GRE? No.
2. If my GPA is less than 3.00 points in a scale of 4.00 points, can I apply for admission? No, you need a minimum of 3.00 points for your application be considered for admission.
3. If my specific index is less than 2.8 in a scale of 4 points, should I apply for admission? No, you need a minimum of 2.80 points for your application be considered for admission.
4. If I repeat a prerequisite course, what grade you will use to calculate my IGS? We will take the best grade for calculating your IGS.
5. At the time to do the enrollment do I need to have to all prerequisites completed? Yes, all prerequisites have to be completed before the enrollment date.
6. If I have a baccalaureate in Physical Therapy can I apply for your DPT Program? No, this is an entry level doctoral program.
7. If I obtain my baccalaureate from a university outside USA or its territories can I apply for your DPT? Yes, but you need to present evidence that your studies are equivalent to a baccalaureate in the USA education system. There are private companies in USA that you can hire to do this work.
8. I' m a physical therapist assistant, do I have to complete the 30 hours of shadowing/observation? Yes, you have to complete the 30 hours of shadowing/observation with a licensed physical therapist.
9. Can I do the observation/shadowing hour with a physiatrist, a chiropractic or a physical therapy assistant? No, these hours have to be done with a licensed physical therapist.
10. Can I submit the admission application while having my last semester in progress? Yes, you can submit the admission application with evidence that you are enrolled in the last semester to complete the degree. The semester must be completed on May of the year in progress. Of the prerequisite courses, you can only have a maximum of 2 courses in progress. If you need to take a course in the summer as part of the baccalaureate degree requisites, you cannot be considered for admission in the current year.
11. Do you accept prerequisites grades with grading system of Pass (P). The student needs to present evidence that this pass grade is not and equivalent of a D grade in the course. A maximum of 2 prerequisites courses are accepted with the grading system of pass.

### **Interview Process**

1. How are students selected for the interview? Candidates are preliminarily evaluated by calculating a percentage of competitiveness using a specific formula (refer to the Program Bulletin), which includes the general average grade point, specific grade point average, score of EXADEP, and the interview score (the maximum interview score is granted to all candidates at that moment). The 40 candidates with the highest competitive percentage are summoned to interview.

2. When are interviews done? Interviews are expected to be conducted on early April of each academic year.
3. Can the interview be made on line or by telephone? No, the interviews have to be in person.
4. How should I dress for the interview? You should wear professional attire.
5. If I cannot assist to the program interview, can I be interviewed in another date? No, interviews are conducted only during one day.
6. If I don't get on time for the program interview, can I be interviewed with the next group? Interviews follow a systematic schedule. If you arrive late to your appointment the Program did not have the obligation to schedule a new appointment.

### **Semester**

1. When does the first-year semester begin? It begins early August of each academic year.

### **Other Questions**

1. If I am not admitted, can I apply again for the next year? Yes, you can request admission as many times as you wish, but you will always be competing with new candidates.
2. If I am admitted to the program and for some personal reason I cannot accept the space at that time, can I reserve the space for the next year? No, spaces are not reserved. You will have to re-submit the admission documentation and compete again.
3. How can I be a better candidate? The percentage of competitiveness depends on the following: general point grade average, specific grade point average (pre-requisite courses), score of admission test and the interview score. Options to improve the percentage of competitiveness include: to repeat the admission test and obtain a better score, to repeat courses passed with C, D or F if any and obtain a better grade, and to improve the performance in the interview process.

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