



## PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT Effective April 2010

<u>Core Courses</u>	<u>Semester</u>	<u>Credits</u>
524-138 PTA Kinesiology 1 (first 9 weeks)	Fall 1	3
524-141 PTA Kinesiology 2 (second 9 weeks)	Fall 1	4
524-139 PTA Patient Interventions	Fall 1	4
524-147 PTA Clinical Practice 1	Spring 1	2
524-142 PTA Therapeutic Exercise (first 9 weeks)	Spring 1	3
524-143 PTA Therapeutic Modalities	Spring 1	4
524-145 PTA Principles of Musculoskeletal Rehabilitation (second 9 weeks)	Spring 1	4
524-140 PTA Professional Issues 1	Fall 2	2
524-144 PTA Principles of Neuromuscular Rehab	Fall 2	4
524-146 PTA Mgmt. of Cardiopulmonary & Integumentary Conditions	Fall 2	3
524-148 PTA Clinical Practice 2	Fall 2	3
524-149 PTA Rehabilitation Across the Lifespan (first 9 weeks)	Spring 2	2
524-150 PTA Professional Issues 2 (first 9 weeks)	Spring 2	2
524-151 PTA Clinical Practice 3 (second 9 weeks)	Spring 2	5
	Total	45

Clinical courses follow a two-year sequence.

<u>General Education/Support Courses</u>	<u>Credits</u>
801-195 Written Communication	3
801-196 Oral/Interpersonal Communication	3
806-177 General Anatomy and Physiology <i>(prerequisite: high school or college chemistry with "C" or better)</i>	4
806-139 Survey of Physics (General Physics is acceptable) <i>(Beginning with the 2011 petition period, a grade of B- or better will be required in the physics course)</i>	3
809-198 Introduction to Psychology	3
809-196 Introduction to Sociology	3
809-166 Introduction to Ethics	3
809-172 Race, Ethnic & Diversity Studies	3
	Total
	25
	<b>Program Total</b>
	<b>70</b>

**College Graduation Requirement** (required of students beginning coursework  
Fall 2009 or thereafter)

890-125 Student Success	1
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## APPLICATION INFORMATION and PROGRAM READY REQUIREMENTS Physical Therapist Assistant

Students must meet the **program ready requirements** outlined below in order to submit a **petition form** for the core clinical courses. Students are encouraged to complete the general education courses prior to the core courses. Please check the BTC website ([www.blackhawk.edu](http://www.blackhawk.edu)) or the Career and Counseling Center for petition dates.

*It is the student's responsibility to submit a petition form during the designated petition period in order to be considered for the core clinical courses. If not selected, students will need to submit a petition form each year thereafter as a means of indicating a continued interest in beginning core courses.*

### APPLICATION PROCESS:

- Submit the BTC application and the \$30 application fee
- Submit official copies of high school, GED HSED, and/or college transcripts
- Complete a pre-admission assessment (COMPASS, ACT, SAT or ASSET)

### PROGRAM READY REQUIREMENTS:

The following program ready requirements **MUST** be completed in order to petition for a spot in the core courses:

1. Successful completion of the following:
  - a. One year of high school **algebra** or one semester of college level algebra with grades of "C" or better in all semesters.
  - b. One year of high school **biology** or one semester of college level biology (with lab) or Non-Human Biology **AND** Anatomy and Physiology Prep at BTC with a grade Of "C" or higher in all semesters.
  - c. One year of high school **chemistry** or one semester of college level chemistry (with lab) or one of the following chemistry courses at BTC: Chemistry Prep (856-787), General Chemistry (806-134) OR General, Organic & Biological Chemistry (806-199) with a grade of "C" or higher.

2. Successful completion of the following **FOUR** general education courses: ***Due to these NEW PROGRAM READY REQUIREMENTS, current enrollment in these courses in the fall 2010 will be considered for the 2010 petition period ONLY (all other program ready requirements MUST be met at the time of petitioning). Beginning with the 2011 petition period, all of these courses MUST be completed at the time of petition.***

- **Written Communication** (801-195) or an equivalent college level course with a grade of "C" or better
- **General Anatomy & Physiology** (806-177) or an equivalent college level course with a grade of "C" or better
- **Oral/Interpersonal Communication** (801-196) or an equivalent college level course with a grade of "C" or better
- **Survey of Physics** (806-139) or **General Physics I** (806-154) or an equivalent college level course with a grade of "C" or better (***Beginning with the 2011 petition period, a grade of B- or better will be required in the physics course***)

3. Obtain minimum scores on **ONE of the following** pre-admission assessment. Students with an associate degree or higher are exempt from the test score requirements (students **MUST** provide official transcripts indicating a degree has been earned). Students who do not meet the minimum scores **MUST** remediate and re-test. COMPASS testing requires a \$10 fee. To schedule an appointment to complete COMPASS, call 608-757-6329 at the Central Campus (Career Center) or 608-328-1660 at the Monroe Campus.
  - COMPASS: Math **60** or higher, Reading **85** or higher, Writing **78** or higher
  - ACT: Math **18** or higher, Reading **19** or higher, English **18** or higher
  - ASSET Math, Reading and Writing: **44** or higher
  - SAT Composite: **900** or higher

### **Additional Notes:**

Students who wish to transfer credits from another college should consult with a Counselor or Advisor so that appropriate paperwork can be submitted.