

# Physical Therapist Assistant

Associate of Applied Science (72 Credits)

For Students Seeking Admission to the Fall 2025 Program

The Limited Entry Office will be responsible for managing the application process and the selection of students will be performed by a selection committee.

Qualified applicants must:

- Attend a Health Programs Orientation, meet with a Health Programs Advisor, and complete a Limited Entry Workshop (all within 2 years of the application deadline). (<https://www.csn.edu/health-programs-advising>)
- Possess a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.50 for all program prerequisites
- Submit three letters of recommendation on the approved form

Applicants will be ranked and selected using a point system through which points will be awarded. Please see attached Selection Criteria sheet.

**PROGRAM PREREQUISITE COURSES:** These are courses that must be completed before a student is considered eligible for entry into the Program. FOR SELECTION PURPOSES, PREREQUISITE COURSES FOR LIMITED ENTRY PROGRAMS MAY BE ATTEMPTED *THREE TIMES*. ALL ATTEMPTS INCLUDE WITHDRAWALS, AUDITS, AND GRADES. THE HIGHEST GRADE WILL BE USED FOR THE GPA CALCULATION.

| Course                              | Title                                       | Cr              | Gen Ed Req.        | Tech Prep | Min. Grade |
|-------------------------------------|---|-----------------|--------------------|-----------|------------|
| HHP 123*                            | Introduction to the Human Body              | 4               | Science            | Yes       | B          |
| HHP 124*                            | Introduction to the Human Body Computer Lab | 1               | Science            | No        | B          |
| MATH 120, 120E, 124, 124E or higher |   | 3               | Math               | No        | C          |
| ENG 100, 101, 107, 110, or 113      |   | 3-5             | English            | No        | C          |
| PT 100**                            | Introduction to Physical Therapy            | 3               | Technical Emphasis | No        | C          |
| <b>Total</b>                        |   | <b>14-16 Cr</b> |                    |           |            |

\*BIOL 223 and BIOL 224 (Human Anatomy & Physiology I & II) can be taken in lieu of these courses.

\*\*Students are highly encouraged to take PT 100 early in their progression through the prerequisite courses to avoid delay in their application timeline.

**ADDITIONAL GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS:**

Communications: COM 101, COM 102, COM 115, or COM 215 3 cr  
 U.S. & Nevada Constitution: (see AAS degree requirements in College Catalog) 4-6 cr  
 Social Sciences/Humanities: PHIL 101 or above, PSY 101 or above, or SOC 101 or above 3 cr  
 Human Relations: PT 122\*\*

**Total 10-12 cr**

\*\*Students can enroll once accepted into program

**IMPORTANT POINTS TO REMEMBER:**

- Selection Occurs: Once a year
- Program Begins: Fall 2025
- Application Deadline: **June 1, 2025**
- Proof of completion of all program prerequisites must be in the Limited Entry Office by this date.**
- Maximum number of students admitted: 12
- Science courses must be no more than 7 years old at the time of application deadline.
- Limited Entry Application Fee: \$20 per application**

**PROGRAM COURSES:** PT courses are specialized courses within a health discipline. They are restricted to students who have been accepted into the program. Program courses are subject to revision; this will not impact program admission.

\*PLEASE NOTE: 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> semester course work will begin 2-3 weeks prior to semester start date.

| <i>1<sup>st</sup> Semester (Spring)</i><br><u>Prerequisites</u> | <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Semester (Fall)</i><br><u>Program Course Work Starts</u>     | <i>3<sup>rd</sup> Semester (Spring)</i>   | <i>4<sup>th</sup> Semester (Fall)*</i>                                    | <i>5<sup>th</sup> Semester (Spring)*</i>  |
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| HHP 123.....4 cr<br>Introduction to the Human Body              | PT 105.....1 cr<br>Musculoskeletal Anatomy Review                              | PT 120.....2 cr<br>Observation & Measurement Prin. for the Physical Therapist Assistant | PT 225.....3 cr<br>Therapeutic Principles for Musculoskeletal Pathologies | PT 248.....3 cr<br>Pathophysiology II   |
| HHP 124.....1 cr<br>Introduction to the Human Body Computer Lab | PT 110.....2 cr<br>Principles of Kinesiology                                   | PT 121.....2 cr<br>Observation & Measurement Procedures                                 | PT 226.....2 cr<br>Therapeutic Procedures for Musculoskeletal Pathologies | PT 254.....3 cr<br>Therapeutic Principles for Neuromuscular Path.                               |
| MATH 120, 120E, 124, 124E, or higher.....3 cr                   | PT 111.....2 cr<br>Problems in Kinesiology                                     | PT 122.....3 cr<br>Psychological-Social Considerations in Patient Care                  | PT 238.....3 cr<br>Pathophysiology I                                      | PT 255.....2 cr<br>Therapeutic Procedures for Neuromuscular Pathologies                         |
| ENG 100, 101, 107, 110, or 113.....3 cr                         | PT 117.....2 cr<br>Fundamental Principles for the Physical Therapist Assistant | PT 125.....2 cr<br>Principles of Physical Agents  | PT 240.....1 cr<br>Orthotic and Prosthetic Considerations in Patient Care | PT 256.....2 cr<br>Clinical Affiliation II  |
| PT 100.....3 cr<br>Introduction to Physical Therapy             | PT 118.....2 cr<br>Fundamental Procedures for the Physical Therapist Assistant | PT 126.....2 cr<br>Physical Agents Procedures and Practices                             | PT 244.....2 cr<br>Clinical Affiliation I                                 | US/NV Constitution. (4-6 cr)  |
|   | COM.....3 cr<br>Oral Communication   | PT 130.....2 cr<br>Administration in Physical Therapy                                   | PT 250.....2 cr<br>Therapeutic Principles for Cardiopulmonary Pathologies |   |
|   | SS/Humanities..... (3cr)   | PT 134.....2 cr<br>Clinical Affiliation Preparation                                     | PT 251.....1 cr<br>Therapeutic Procedures for Cardiopulmonary Pathologies |   |
| <b>Total Sem .....14-16 cr</b>                                  | <b>Total Sem .....15 cr</b>  | <b>Total Sem .....15 cr</b>   | <b>Total Sem .....14 cr</b>   | <b>Total Sem .....14 cr</b><br>PT Course Credits ..... 48.0<br><b>Total Program Credit 72.0</b> |