

Physical Therapist Assistant Program Overview:

Students seeking admission to the Physical Therapist Assistant Program will first need to apply to BCCC (if not already enrolled) and have their official transcripts sent to the Admissions Office. Transcripts sent to the Admissions Office will be evaluated for the possible transference of appropriate and acceptable pre-requisite and General Education courses required for admission to the PTA Program. A special application to the PTA Program is also required and is available online, as per noted in section "F" of this Educational Plan. An appointment with the Health Professions Special Admissions Counselor (SAC) is advised (see information below) to establish eligibility.

****The Biology Placement Test is prerequisite for BIO 107; BIO 202 and BIO 203 may be substituted for BIO 107 with Science contingent upon department approval.***

*****Transfer course substitutions will be considered contingent upon department approval.***

- A. Must have an overall GPA of 2.5 or higher for program entry.
- B. Must complete prerequisite courses with a grade of 2.75 or better.
- C. Sciences must be completed within 5 years of acceptance into the PTA program.
- D. A video and quiz must be completed.
- E. A Purpose Statement (350 words minimum) should be submitted with the program application: 1) Please describe your academic experiences and either your work experience, volunteer experience, or observational experience; 2) Please explain why you wish to gain entry into the PTA program; and 3) How will this program help you contribute to the broader community?
- F. Program applications are accepted for Fall entry only. Program applications will be available online at www.bccc.edu by the end of October. The deadline for applications to be submitted via Canvas is March 31st.

Special Note: A student must successfully complete the Selective Admission Process to enroll into the PTA program; however, the completion of PTA Program Requirements, DO NOT guarantee entry into the PTA Program.

Selection Process:

All applications are received by the Special Admissions Counselor in the Admissions Office and are reviewed by the PTA Admissions Committee (SAC and PTA Faculty) shortly after the deadline. Applicants who meet all criteria are assigned points according to the following conditions (**11 points maximum**):

- All pre-requisites completed satisfactorily • +1
- **B** in BIO 107 Anatomy and Physiology or • +2
- **B** in BIO 202 & 203 Anatomy and Physiology I & II • +1 for each
- GPA in pre-requisites **2.75** or **3.0** or **3.5** and more • +1 or +2 or +3
- GPA overall **2.5-2.99** or **3.0-3.49** or **3.5** and more • +1 or +2 or +3
- All additional Gen Ed completed • +1
- **Mandatory** completion of the program's online quiz • +1
- Multiple consecutive D's or F's before a C • -1
- 2 or more Gen Ed courses still not completed (excluding HLF) • -2 (-3, etc.)
- 1 Gen. Ed not completed • -1

BCCC reserves the right to modify the above process and point designations at any time in the student's enrollment. The outlined point system should not be deemed an irrevocable contract between PTA applicants and Baltimore City Community College.

Course substitutions or CLEP exams, (other than Computer Literacy and Science courses) may not be considered or accepted.

Acceptance:

All applicants will receive an e-mail or letter indicating their qualification status (not qualified, qualified-accepted, qualified-on Waiting List). Up to **24** candidates will be invited to an Orientation and Registration session in late May, early June or July. If all seats are not filled, an additional Orientation and Registration will be scheduled for additional qualified applicants (from the Waiting List). **Priority is given to qualified students who have the highest GPA, and who have completed all other General Education courses (HLF, SOC 101, SP 101, PSY 104).**

Note: Under Maryland law, the Maryland Board of Physical Therapy Examiners may deny issuing a PTA license to any candidate who has been convicted of a felony or a crime of moral turpitude. Therefore, it is strongly advised that such an applicant consider the possibility of being denied licensure if efforts to expunge a prior conviction are unsuccessful. The PTA Program faculty has no authority regarding licensure.

**For more information, contact Brittany Henderson of the Admissions Office (Rm 7) at 410-462-8411. To have your transcript evaluated, email: transcripteval@bccc.edu
General inquiries about the PTA program should email: preadmitalliedhealth@bccc.edu**

PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT DEGREE – M039

Associate of Applied Science (AAS)

(Program Admission is based on the Selective Admission Process)

CATALOG DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM:

The Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA) Program is a 2-year course of study leading to an Associate of Applied Sciences (AAS) degree. Students combine academic study in physical therapist assisting procedures, anatomy, kinesiology, medical conditions, and professionalism with clinical education and practice. Graduates work under the supervision of professional physical therapists and are successfully employed in hospitals, rehabilitation centers, extended care and sub-acute facilities, schools and pediatric centers, private PT practices, and out-patient clinics. They are trained to treat patients suffering from physical disabilities related to disease or injury or needing post-surgical rehabilitation using various procedures and modalities, therapeutic exercises, mobility training, cardiopulmonary rehabilitation general conditioning, posture and body mechanics instruction, and other patient education.

COURSE	CURRENT SEQUENCE	CREDITS	PREREQUISITES	SEMESTER	GRADE
Prerequisites					
PRE 100	Preparation for Academic Achievement	1	None		
	Biology Placement Exam (Test out of BIO 101)	0			
	Computer Literacy Exam	0			
BIO 107	Anatomy and Physiology	4	BIO 101 or BIO 102		
ENG 101	English Writing	3	ENG 82 or RENG 92		
MAT 107/ MAT 128	Modern Elementary Statistics/ Pre-Calculus: College Algebra	3-4	MAT 86 or MAT 91 and RENG 92 /MAT 92 and RENG 92		
PSY 101	Introductory Psychology	3	ENG 82 or RENG 92		
Semester Credits		14-15			
<i>Complete Application to Physical Therapist Assistant Program – see the “Physical Therapist Assistant Program Selective Admission Criteria and Process” @ http://www.bccc.edu/Page/1606</i>					
1st Semester					
PTT 112	Introduction to Physical Therapist Assisting	2	Admission into the PT program; ENG 101; PSY 101; BIO 202; BIO 203 and MAT 107 or MAT 128		
PTT 120	Physical Therapist Assisting Procedures I	5	PTT 112		
SOC 101	Introduction to Sociology	3	ENG 82 or RENG 92		
SP 101	Fundamentals of Speech Communication	3	ENG 82 or RENG 92		
HLF-Elective	Health and Life Fitness	1	None		
Semester Credits		14			
2nd Semester					
PTT 140	Medical Lectures	4	PTT 150		
PTT 150	Physical Therapist Assisting Procedures II	5	PTT 112, PTT 120, and continued enrollment in PT program		
PSY 104	Developmental Psychology	3	PSY 101		
HLF-Elective	Health and Life Fitness	1	None		
Semester Credits		13			
Summer Session					
PTT 215	Pediatric/Adult Rehabilitation Procedures	2	PTT 112, PTT 120, PTT 140, PTT 150		
Semester Credits		2			

COURSE	CURRENT SEQUENCE	CREDITS	PREREQUISITES	SEMESTER	GRADE
3rd Semester					
PTT 240	Physical Therapist Assisting Procedures III	5	Completion of all 1 st year PT program courses, PT 215, and passing written and practical comprehensive exams administered in late August		
PHTT 260	Clinical Education I	4	PTT 112, PTT 120, PTT 140, PTT 150 and PTT 215, and passing written and practical comprehensive exams administered in late August		
Semester Credits		9			
4th Semester					
PTT 210	Physical Therapist Assisting Seminar	2	PTT 250		
PTT 250	Physical Therapist Assisting Procedures IV	4	PTT 240 and PHTT 260		
PTT 213	Clinical Education II (5 Weeks: Full Time)	4	PTT 210; PTT 250		
PHTT 214	Clinical Education II (6 Weeks: Full Time)	4	PTT 210; PTT 250		
Semester Credits		14			
PROGRAM TOTAL		66-67			

Advisor Signature: _____

Date: _____

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Pre-Requisites for Students in Developmental Courses

COURSE	CURRENT SEQUENCE	CREDITS	PREREQUISITES	SEMESTER	GRADE
RENG 90	Intensive Program Writing	4 hrs.	Placement Test		
RENG 91	Composition Skills I	4 hrs.	Placement Test or RENG 90		
RENG 92	Composition Skills II	4 hrs.	Placement Test or RENG 91		
MAT 80	Arithmetic	3 hrs.	Placement Test		
MAT 86/	Integrated Pre-Algebra and Introductory Algebra	5 hrs.	Placement Test or MAT 80 Students who complete MAT 80 with an A or B within a one year period; Students who recently (within one year) failed and need to repeat MAT 91; students whose ACUPLACER placement score on Elementary Algebra falls within the range 52-62.		
MAT 87M	Integrated Elementary and Intermediate Algebra				
MAT 91	Elementary Algebra	4 hrs.	Placement Test or MAT 80		
MAT 92	Intermediate Algebra	4 hrs.	Placement Test or MAT 91		