

Physical Therapy at Drexel University

Gettysburg College has an early assurance program with [Drexel University](#). This program helps to facilitate early admission of students enrolled at Gettysburg into Drexel's Professional Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program. The program allows a student to obtain a decision regarding his or her admission in Drexel's DPT program in the spring of his/her junior year at Gettysburg.

Requirements for Acceptance

- 1) Minimum cumulative GPA of 3.25
- 2) Minimum science GPA of 3.00
- 3) Completion of at least 10 of the following pre-requisite courses with a grade of "C" or better and a plan of study in place for completion of the remaining courses:
 - General Biology with lab (2 courses)
(BIO 101 or BIO 111, and BIO 112)
 - Human or mammalian physiology
(HS 209 and HS 210 or BIO 340)
 - Advanced Biology (one course)
Note: HS 309 Exercise Physiology or another HS 300-400 level course satisfies this requirement
 - General Chemistry with lab (2 courses)
(CHEM 107 and CHEM 108)
 - General Physics with lab (2 courses)
(PHY 103 and PHY 104)
 - General Psychology (one course)
(PSYCH 101)
 - One additional psychology course (developmental or abnormal preferred)
 - Introductory Statistics (one course)
(MATH 107, BIO 260, PSYCH 205, or HS 232)
 - Humanities and Social Sciences (5 courses)
- 4) No pre-requisite courses may be repeated
- 5) One page personal statement discussing the student's motivation and interest in becoming a physical therapist
- 6) GRE: 1000 combined score for verbal and quantitative; ≥ 4 for analytical
- 7) Documented volunteer experience in physical therapy (no prescribed number of hours)

- 8) Two letters of recommendation:
 - One letter is required from an academic source
 - One letter is required from a physical therapist
- 9) A letter of endorsement from the Health Professions Advisor at Gettysburg College
- 10) A successful interview with Drexel University

Procedures/Timeline

- Junior Year, 1st Semester: Take GRE
- Junior Year, 2nd Semester: Apply to Drexel (fee waived)
Review of credentials by Drexel
Invited for interview
Receive Provisional Acceptance Letter
Submit Intent to Enroll Form
- Senior Year, 1st Semester: Drexel reviews accepted students for scholarships
Updated transcripts may be required
- Upon Graduation: Send final transcript to Drexel for verification of degree conferral

For more information about the early assurance program with Drexel University, please contact Dr. Kristin Stuempfle, the Health Professions Advisor (kstuempf@gettysburg.edu or x6448) or Judy Jones, the Health Professions Office Administrator (jujones@gettysburg.edu or x6020).