

OZARKS TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Physical Therapist Assistant

Preferred Course Sequence

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Preadmission Requirements		Spring	Summer	Fall	Spring
Human Anatomy BCS 165 4	¹ Human Physiology BCS 205 4	^{2,3} Pathophysiology BCS 210 (Pre-admission completion is strongly encouraged) See prerequisite info below 3	Therapeutic Procedures PTA 200 6	Physical Agents/Therapeutic Message PTA 220 4	Selected Topics PTA 270 2
⁴ Composition I ENG 101 3	Communications Elective COM 100 or COM 105 3	Intro to Physical Therapist Assistant PTA 100 3	6	Therapeutic Exercise I/Ortho & Cardio Conditions PTA 230 4	Clinical Education II PTA 280 10
⁵ American Gov't & Politics PLS 101 3	Introduction to Psychology PSY 110 3	Anatomy for the PTA PTA 155 3		Therapeutic Exercise II/ Neurologic Conditions PTA 240 3	12
Contemporary Mathematics MTH 128 or higher 3		Clinical Kinesiology PTA 225 5		Clinical Education I PTA 250 3	
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		AAS Degree 69 Hours			

¹ Prerequisite for BCS 205: grade of "C" or better in BCS 165

² Prerequisite for BCS 210: grade of "C" or better in BCS 165, BCS 205, and BCS 200. PTA applicants may receive a waiver for BCS 200. Email alliedhealthadmissions@otc.edu for additional instructions.

³ Students are advised to complete BCS 210 before beginning program specific courses. If not completed prior to starting program, it will be completed in the first semester of the program.

⁴ ENG 100 (Composition I w/support) or ENG 102 (Composition II) may be accepted as an alternative to ENG 101

⁵ HST 120 or HST 130 may be accepted as an alternate to PLS 101

For further career guidance and to increase your knowledge of health professions, you are encouraged to participate in any or all of the following:

- Schedule appointment with an Allied Health Advisor by emailing alliedhealth@otc.edu
- Attend an Allied Health Informational Session:
<https://academics.otc.edu/alliedhealth/informational-sessions/>
- Complete one or more of these suggested General Education courses:
BCS 102 – Intro to Bioclinical Science (3 credit hour – seated)
HSC 110 - Introduction to Health Professions (1 credit hour-online)
HSC 120 – Medical Terminology (3 credit hours – online)

EXCEPTIONS: Contact Allied Health Admissions (alliedhealthadmissions@otc.edu) if any of these apply:

- ✓ If you have taken BCS 120, BCS 145, BCS 146 or MTH 110 prior to the FA 18 semester.
- ✓ If all BCS course(s) were completed more than 5 years ago.
- ✓ If a passing grade is not achieved after two attempts in any preadmission requirement, an applicant may not be considered for the program. See the OTC policy for repeat course grades:
<https://students.otc.edu/registrar/course-repeat-policy/>
- ✓ If a 6 hours anatomy & physiology course has been taken at an accredited institution other than OTC and it has been taken within the last 5 years (based on final review of official transcript and in accordance with specific transfer credit), BCS 205 would be required to complete the 8 credit hour A&P progression.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT PREADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

- **Application Deadline: September 1**
- Preadmission requirements must be completed or be in the process of completing when applying (fall semester).
- Points are awarded for a grade of “A”, “B” or “C”. The higher the grade the more points received.
- **An overall 3.0 GPA IS REQUIRED IN ALL COMPLETED PREADMISSION REQUIREMENTS along with all the criteria outlined in the “Selection for Interview Process” located on the Application Checklist.**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Review the “[Application Checklist](#)” to complete the application process.
- The PTA courses within the bolded border represent the courses that will be taken following acceptance into the program through the selective admission application process. This program requires a full time, daytime commitment.
- This block diagram is provided to aid in advising students and tracking course completion.

- OTC reserves the right to modify courses titles, sequences, and content in accordance with college procedures.
- Refer to the PTA webpage for additional information: <https://academics.otc.edu/alliedhealth/physical-therapist-assistant/>.
- You may also contact Allied Health Admissions at (417) 447-8954 or alliedhealthadmissions@otc.edu.

Background Check – Students with a felony or a significant criminal history may not be able to participate in clinical experiences at some of our sites and may not be able to apply for a license to practice. Contact the Allied Health Office for additional information (alliedhealth@otc.edu).