***PHYSICAL THERAPY PROGRAM***

***Instructions to Apply***

Applicants are responsible for submission of an application to the American Physical Therapy Association Centralized Application Service (PTCAS). The application process begins July1s. The soft deadline is November 15th,and the firm deadline is January 15th of the year you are entering. Applications received by November 15th will be given priority. Program admittance is once a year, in the fall. Incomplete packets will be withdrawn from the pool of applicants considered by the Admissions Committee. The start date of the program is June of each year.

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| **Description** | **PTCAS Requirements** | **Widener University Requirements** |
| Application | Must be submitted through PTCAS at [www.ptcas.org](http://www.ptcas.org) | The University will not be accepting applications through our network. |
| Transcripts | Must be submitted through PTCAS at [www.ptcas.org](http://www.ptcas.org) | Transcripts – Once matriculated into our program, you be required to supply your official transcripts with your undergraduate degree conferred. The Registrar should be instructed to seal the transcript in an envelope and return it directly to the applicant or send directly to the University. |
| GRE scores | Must be submitted through PTCAS at [www.ptcas.org](http://www.ptcas.org) | Applicants must send their test scores to PTCAS through the Educational Testing Service (ETS) [www.ets.org](http://www.ets.org). Our university code is **0091**, and departmental code is **0619.** We recommend that you take the test by November 1st. |
| TOEFL |  | TOEFL scores required if the last place of attendance was overseas. TOEFL scores are required if English is your second language. |
| References | Must be submitted through PTCAS at [www.ptcas.org](http://www.ptcas.org)  Recommendation letters may be from former professors, professional colleagues or physical therapist with whom you worked as a volunteer or employer. Of the three references, one must be from a Physical Therapist and one must be from a professor and one can be from any other source. Do not use family members or family friends as reference sources. | The University will no longer be required to collect references. |
| Volunteer/ Work Experience Form | Must be submitted through PTCAS at [www.ptcas.org](http://www.ptcas.org) | No longer required to send to the University. Our minimum requirement is 40 hours with hours being in two different types of settings (i.e. inpatient and outpatient). |
| Deadlines | Application opens in early July. The soft deadline is November 1st and the firm deadline is December 2nd | Applications must be submitted through PTCAS at [www.ptcas.org](http://www.ptcas.org) |
| Legal Name Change |  | An applicant who has legally changed his or her name should have supporting credentials (transcripts, letters of recommendation, etc) submitted under his or her name, should notify the physical therapy program office of any and all names under which material may be received. |
| International Students | Must be submitted through PTCAS at [www.ptcas.org](http://www.ptcas.org) | An official affidavit of support signed and notarized by your sponsor or certified bank letter indicating that you can afford one year of educational costs at Widener University is needed. |

**NOTIFICATIONS:**

Widener University reserves the right to change the application procedures and requirements at the beginning of each academic year without formal published notice.

All information is held in strict confidence. Information requested on gender and ethnic or national origin is gathered to enable the university to comply with the Equal Opportunity obligations and will not be used to discriminate against any individual.