

# PHYSICAL THERAPY (DPT)

As a Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) student at Widener University, you'll achieve what we call "The 3 C's": you'll graduate as a competent physical therapist who demonstrates exemplary character while assuming the responsibilities of citizenship.

Along the way, you'll work interprofessionally with students in the College of Health & Human Services, complete three full-time clinical experiences, and give back to the community through our student-run pro bono clinic. Here, you'll take the inside track to vibrant professional practice.

## AT A GLANCE

- **Format:** Full-time
- **Total credits:** 115
- **Avg. time to completion:** 3 years
- **Department:** Institute for Physical Therapy Education
- **School:** College of Health & Human Services
- **Location:** Chester, PA



Widener's Institute for Physical Therapy Education is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE). Learn more at [capteonline.org](http://capteonline.org).

## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

**Clinical experiences that build competence:** Gain exposure to inpatient and outpatient settings, and individuals with a variety of health conditions, through one part-time and three full-time clinical experiences.

**Chester Community Clinic:** Give back to the community by working at the Chester Community Clinic, our interprofessional, student-run pro bono clinic. You'll deliver compassionate and accessible care to uninsured and underinsured residents of Chester.

**Interprofessional learning:** Connect with faculty interprofessionally across other departments of the College of Health & Human Services through shared

academic and experiential opportunities that support holistic approaches to care.

## OUTCOMES

When you graduate, you'll enter an industry in the midst of rapid growth: in the next 10 years, employment of physical therapists is expected to grow by 18 percent (U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics). Your Widener education will put you in position to benefit from this growth, as you'll walk away ready to pass the National Physical Therapy Exam. The first-time pass rate for the classes of 2019 and 2020 was greater than 97 percent. The ultimate pass rate for the classes of 2019 and 2020 was 100 percent.

As you prepare to launch a career in areas such as geriatrics, pediatrics, neurology, oncology, and orthopedics, including sports, you'll have access to our connections with national and local employers. A few of these connections include:

- Rehabilitation hospitals
- Acute care hospitals
- Skilled nursing facilities
- Sports medicine clinics
- School and community settings

## HOW TO APPLY

You can view all admissions and application requirements at [widener.edu/ipte](http://widener.edu/ipte). Once you're ready to apply, you will submit all applications and supplemental materials through the Physical Therapy Centralized Application Service: [ptcas.org/general](http://ptcas.org/general).

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