



Dear Prospective Widener Physical Therapy Student:

Thank you for your interest in Widener University's Institute for Physical Therapy Education. Our CAPTE accredited program offers the DPT degree upon successful completion of three full years of study. While all accredited programs offer a sound program in physical therapy education, Widener offers several unique elements that set us apart. All of our faculty are seasoned clinicians with continued clinical practice and most have achieved a clinical specialization in an area of clinical expertise. We also prioritize developing not only student competency, but also character and citizenship (the three tenets of our mission statement).

Our students have the opportunity to engage in experiential learning throughout the curriculum by connecting and integrating newly acquired knowledge and skills, while also meeting otherwise unmet community member needs, within our student-run pro bono clinic and community health practicum experiences. Every student serves and learns in the student-run pro bono clinic under the mentorship of more senior DPT students and licensed physical therapy supervisors. Students have the opportunity to develop additional leadership skills by applying to serve on the Student Board of the pro bono clinic.

Interprofessional education is a priority within our DPT program with structured learning experiences with nursing students in the high-fidelity simulation lab. DPT students treat interprofessionally in the student-run pro bono clinic as they work closely with fellow occupational therapy, speech language pathology, clinical psychology and social work students to meet client needs in a holistic manner. Soon there will be opportunities to interface with physician assistant students in the pro bono clinic as Widener grows this program.

Widener is located just outside of Philadelphia and all its cultural and culinary attractions, and offers the charm of a small, but progressive campus. To learn more our graduate program including curriculum and description of courses, please visit:

https://catalog.widener.edu/preview_entity.php?catoid=28&ent_oid=966&returnto=1024

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Graduate Admissions Specialist, Ms. Cierra Strickland, cbstrickland@widener.edu, our faculty Admissions Co-Chair, Dr. Sandy Campbell, scampbell@widener.edu, or myself at anpinckney@widener.edu.

Sincerest Regards,

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