

Pre-Physical Therapy Guide 2024-2025*

Course Requirements for Michigan Physical Therapy Schools

Requirements	Central Michigan University	Andrews University	Grand Valley State University	Oakland University	University of Michigan- Flint	Wayne State University	Western Michigan University	Concordia University, Ann Arbor
Anatomy	HSC 214 or BIO 337	HSC 214 or BIO 337	HSC 214 or BIO 337	HSC 214 or BIO 337	HSC 214 or BIO 337	HSC 214 or BIO 337	HSC 214 or BIO 337	HSC 214 or BIO 337
Biology	3 credits of BIO (HSC 212 or 216 count)	BIO 111 & BIO 112	BIO 101 or BIO 105	BIO 101 or BIO 105 or BIO 111	4 credits of BIO with lab (no botany)	BIO 101 or BIO 105 and Upper level BIO*	Gen BIO w/ lab (include human element)	
Chemistry	CHM 120, 127 & 342 or CHM 131 & 132	CHM 131 & CHM 132	CHM 120, 127 & 342 or CHM 131 & 132	CHM 120, 127 & 342 or CHM 131 & 132	CHM 120, 127 & 342 or CHM 131 & 132	CHM 120, 127 & 342 or CHM 131 & 132	CHM 131 & CHM 132	CHM 131 & CHM 132
Developmental Psychology	PSY 220	PSY 220 or HDF 100	PSY 220 or HDF 100	PSY 220	PSY 220			
Psychology	PSY 100	PSY 100	PSY 100	PSY 100	PSY 100	PSY 100		
Exercise Physiology	HSC 308	HSC 308	HSC 308	HSC 308	HSC 308			
Mathematics	MTH 130 or MTH 132		MTH 130	MTH 130	MTH 130			
Medical Terminology		HSC 201			HSC 201			
Physics	PHY 130, 131, 170 & 171 or PHY 145, 146, 175 & 176	PHY 130, 131, 170 & 171 or PHY 145, 146, 175 & 176	PHY 130, 131, 170 & 171	PHY 130, 131 & 170 <i>(only 1 semester of lab required)</i>	PHY 130, 131, 170 & 171 or PHY 145, 146, 175 & 176	PHY 130, 131, 170 & 171 or PHY 145, 146, 175 & 176	PHY 130, 131, 170 & 171 or PHY 145, 146, 175 & 176	PHY 130, 131, 170 & 171
Physiology	HSC 215 or BIO 392	HSC 215 or BIO 392	HSC 215 or BIO 392	HSC 215 or BIO 392	HSC 215 or BIO 392	HSC 215 or BIO 392	HSC 215 or BIO 392	HSC 215 or BIO 392
Statistics	PSY 211** or STA 282QR or HSC 544 or BIO 500	Any Statistics course	STA 282QR or 382QR or PSY 211QR or HSC 544	STA 282QR or 382QR or PSY 211QR or HSC 544 or BIO 500	STA 282QR or 382QR or PSY 211QR or HSC 544 or BIO 500	STA 282QR or 382QR or PSY 211QR or HSC 544 or BIO 500	STA 282QR or 382QR or PSY 211QR or HSC 544 or BIO 500	STA 282QR or 382QR or PSY 211QR or HSC 544 or BIO 500
Additional Non-Science	Add. Human PSY course (not PSY 211)		SOC 100 or 221			Current First Aid and CPR Cert. or HSC 205 & ENG 101 & 201	2 behavioral science courses (PSY, SOC, ANT, etc.)	

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Additional Information	Central Michigan University	Andrews University	Grand Valley State University	Oakland University	University of Michigan- Flint	Wayne State University	Western Michigan University	Concordia University, Ann Arbor
Min. PT Observational Hours***	Min. 24 hrs in 2 PT settings (more is recommended)	60 hrs in 3 PT settings, with 10 hrs. inpatient acute care or hospital setting	50 hrs in PT settings (multiple settings valued)	Highly Recommended	Not Required, 100 hours recommended	Highly Recommended	Highly Recommended	20 hours observation and 20 hours of volunteer work with underrepresented groups
Competitive GPA	3.64 Cumulative 3.65 Prereq	3.40 Cumulative 3.40 Prereq 3.5 to be competitive	Ave. 3.77 Cumulative and 3.74 Prereq GPA. C or higher for each prereq course	Min. 3.5 Cum/ 3.4 Prereq GPA. C or higher for each prereq course	Ave 3.5 Cum/ 3.48 Science B or higher for each prereq course.	Min 3.0 Cum Min. 3.0 Prereq 3.0 Math/Science GPA (2.0 each class)	3.6 Cum C or higher for each prereq course; 3.0 overall prereq GPA	3.2 Cumulative, 3.2 Science
Prerequisite Deadlines	No more than 2 outstanding prerequisites at time of application				Completed within 7 years.	Prereqs completed by Dec of app. year	No AP or CLEP	5 of 7 prereqs complete at time of application.
Competitive GRE	Not required	Composite 284 Writing 3.0	152 Verbal 152 Quant.	148 Verbal 148 Quant.	152 Verbal 150 Quant.	140 Verbal 140 Quant. 3.0 Writing	CASPER and GRE (within 5 years prior)	Not required
Website	https://www.cmich.edu/academics/colleges/herbert-h-grace-a-dow-college-of-health-professions/departments/departments-physical-therapy/admissions	https://www.andrews.edu/grad/programs/chhs/dpt.html	https://www.gvsu.edu/pt/	www.oakland.edu/shs/pt	https://www.umflint.edu/chs/departments/physical-therapy/	https://cphs.wayne.edu/physical-therapy/	https://wmich.edu/physicaltherapy	https://www.cuaa.edu/academics/programs/doctor-physical-therapy/index.html

*Each professional school has their own policy on whether to accept courses from Advanced Placement and Community Colleges. Students must individually contact the schools to determine the requirements.

**If PSY 211 is taken to meet the Statistics requirement, it cannot be used for the psychology credit hour requirement also.

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*** Students must contact the individual schools they wish to apply to determine what the schools consider acceptable for Observational Hours. Students should also discuss with schools when the required hours must be completed by.