Help Patients Regain Their Strength and Mobility

If you’re eager to play a hands-on role in a rewarding field, our Physical Therapist Assistant Associate’s degree is the way to get there faster. This concentrated program is perfect for confident, independent thinkers.

As a PTA, physical therapists will depend on you to help improve the lives of your patients, while also relying on you to function as part of a cohesive healthcare team. You’ll be immersed in a skills-based curriculum built on industry best practices and guided by experienced instructors. You’ll also benefit from clinical practice at a healthcare facility to ensure career readiness.

Gain Key Skills

Our curriculum provides hands-on experience that allows you to develop the confidence and skills employers value:

- **Collaboration**—Become adept at working under the direction of a physical therapist in order to adjust treatment plans to better serve your patients.

- **Hands-On Training**—Develop one-on-one skills to improve a patient’s mobility, decrease pain and perform exercises to promote healing.

- **Communication**—Interact comfortably and confidently with physical therapists, healthcare team members and patients of all ages and stages of care.

- **Commitment to Wellness**—Sharpen your understanding of how limited mobility can affect a patient’s life, and play a critical role in helping people regain their independence.

To learn more about our complete entrance requirements, contact Rasmussen College to speak with a program manager.

Graduation from a physical therapist assistant education program accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE), 1111 North Fairfax Street, Alexandria, VA 22314; phone: 703-706-3245; accreditation@apta.org, is necessary for eligibility to sit for the licensure examination, which is required in all states.

Effective April 26, 2017, Rasmussen College – Brooklyn Park/Maple Grove has been granted Candidate for Accreditation status by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE). Candidate for Accreditation is a pre-accreditation status of affiliation with the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education that indicates the program is progressing toward accreditation and may matriculate students in technical/professional courses. Candidate for Accreditation is not an accreditation status nor does it assure eventual accreditation.

Rasmussen College – Land O’ Lakes/East Pasco is seeking accreditation of a new physical therapist assistant education program from CAPTE. On June 1, 2016, the program submitted an Application for Candidacy, which is the formal application required in the pre-accreditation stage. Submission of this document does not assure that the program will be granted Candidate for Accreditation status. Achievement of Candidate for Accreditation status is required prior to implementation of the technical phase of the program; therefore, no students may be enrolled in technical courses until Candidate for Accreditation status has been achieved. Further, though achievement of Candidate for Accreditation status signifies satisfactory progress toward accreditation, it does not assure that the program will be granted accreditation.

Flexible Learning Options

Our Physical Therapist Assistant Associate’s degree program is offered with Flex Choice® which allows you to take self-directed assessments alongside your traditional courses to earn your degree with more flexibility and affordability.

Entrance Requirements

To enroll in the Physical Therapist Assistant Associate’s degree program, a student must take and pass the School of Health Sciences Entrance Exam (TEAS) with a score of 55 or higher, interview with Rasmussen College and complete a background check.*
Your Physical Therapist Assistant Career

At Rasmussen College, you’ll earn your Associate’s degree in just 18 months through our rigorous on-campus program featuring small class sizes and no prior coursework entrance requirements.¹ You’ll begin taking core program classes your very first quarter in a highly engaging setting.

To plan for your future, check out the career title that coincides with our credential and browse the growth and salary data projected by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.²

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<td>• Physical Therapist Assistant</td>
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Shortest Time to Graduation

FEATURED COURSES

• Introduction to Evidence-Based Practice and Therapeutic Interventions: Learn to educate patients about pain and the phases of healing.

• Principles of Neuromuscular Physical Therapy: Identify the signs and symptoms of common neuromuscular diseases, which is important in understanding a patient’s condition.

• Physical Therapy Practice Across the Lifespan: Learn to implement exercise programs while addressing the unique needs of children and aging adults.

• Physical Therapy Practice for Special Populations: Study treatments for chronic conditions such as multiple sclerosis and diabetes, allowing you to participate in care in both inpatient and outpatient settings.

Questions?
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BLS Career Options²

• Physical Therapist Assistant

BLS Growth Forecasts²

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Featured Courses

School of Health Sciences

¹ Completion time is dependent on the number of courses completed each term.

For information on our graduation rates, median graduate debt levels and other student investment disclosure information, visit rasmussen.edu/SID.