



University of  
Pittsburgh

Department of  
Physical Therapy  
School of Health and  
Rehabilitation Sciences

Fall Term 1 (17 credits)	Spring Term 2 (20 credits)	Summer Term 3 (19 credits)
Courses	Courses	Courses
Human Anatomy and Lab (6) Kinesiology (4)	Neuroscience (4) Musculoskeletal I (6) Cardiopulmonary PT II (2) Survey of Human Disease I (2)	Survey of Human Disease II (2) Musculoskeletal II (5) Neuromuscular I (4) Patient Management 2 (3)
Cardiopulmonary PT I (4) Patient Management I (3)	Leadership & Prof Dev I (2) Clinical Education I (4)	Leadership & Prof Dev II (3) Evidence Based Practice I (2) Clinical Education II

Fall Term 4 (17 credits)	Spring Term 5 (15+ credits)	Summer Term 6 (9 credits)
Courses	Courses	Courses
Patient Management III (2) Neuromuscular II (4) Growth & Development (3) Leadership & Prof Dev III (2) Evidence Based Practice II (2) Clinical Education II cont'd (4)	Neuromuscular III (2) Geriatric PT (2) Medically Complex Pt. (1) Health & Wellness (1) Musculoskeletal III (4) Electives Evidence Based Practice III (2) Pharmacology (3)	Evidence Based Practice IV (1) Terminal Clinical Education III (8)

Fall Term 7 (9 credits)
Courses
Evidence Based Practice V (1) Terminal Clinical Education IV (8)

Basic Science
Clinical Science
Critical Inquiry
Leadership & Prof. Development
Clinical Education

### DPT Curriculum for Residential and Hybrid Formats

The first term begins in late August and students graduate 2.3 years later in December. The first 5 terms are comprised of both didactic instruction as well as full-time clinical experiences. The curriculum concludes with two 15-week terminal clinical educational experiences (Summer-Fall)

We want to make sure our graduates are well prepared to enter the workforce, so we complement our didactic education program with a clinical program that includes 42 weeks of full-time clinical education experience. The curriculum is designed to emphasize early and intensive integration of our students into the clinical environment throughout their educational program. Our students begin clinical education during the second term in the program and end with 30 consecutive weeks of clinical education after the didactic plan of study.