Bachelor of Science Degree in Physical Therapist Assistant

Effective Fall 2025



Clarkson College has a signed articulation agreement with Northeast Community College (NCC). Students who complete an approved associate degree at NCC are guaranteed general admission into a corresponding baccalaureate degree program at Clarkson College.

By completing the Associate of Applied Science in Physical Therapist Assistant (AASPTA) at Northeast Community College, students transfer 65 semester hours as a direct transfer package into the Bachelor of Science in Physical Therapist Assistant degree at Clarkson College. The following degree plan outlines the courses needed to complete this degree. The Bachelor of Science in Physical Therapist Assistant degree may be completed 100% online in as few as 4 semesters.

Direct transfer package granted for completion of the AAS in Physical Therapist Assistant degree: 65 semester hours

Pre-requisite 65 semester hours

COURSE	COURSE TITLE	HOURS	INSTITUTION	SEMESTER COMPLETED	GRADE
AS or	Direct Transfer (Must include Human				
AAS in	Anatomy and Human Physiology with labs	65			
PTA	for 8 total credit hours)				

Core Courses 9 credits

Must be taken at Clarkson College

COURSE	COURSE TITLE	HOURS	INSTITUTION	SEMESTER COMPLETED	GRADE
HCC *	Healthcare Communication	3	Clarkson College		
HUM	Humanities	3	Clarkson College		
EEA	Ethics, Empathy and Advocacy	3	Clarkson College		

^{*} Designated service course

General Courses 26 credits

COURSE	COURSE TITLE	HOURS	INSTITUTION	SEMESTER COMPLETED	GRADE
IPE 301	Interprofessional Education	0	Clarkson College		
ENG 101	English Composition I	3			
PSY 101	Introduction to Psychology	3			
ENG 102	English Composition II	3			
MAT 130	College Algebra	3			
BIO 122	Nutrition Science	3			
BUS 335	Managing Healthcare Departments	3			
BUS 262	Business Communications and Marketing	3			

HIM 180	Essentials of Pharmacology	2		
MAT 310	Statistics	3		

Major Courses 22 credits

COURSE	COURSE TITLE	HOURS	INSTITUTION	SEMESTER COMPLETED	GRADE
PTA 150	Clinical Leadership and Practice Integration I	1	Clarkson College		
PTA 250	Clinical Leadership and Practice Integration III	1	Clarkson College		
PTA 260	Evidence Based Practice/ Critical Inquiry/ Ethics in Physical Therapy	3	Clarkson College		
PTA 307	Outcome Measures and Reporting for the PTA	3	Clarkson College		
PTA 330	Advanced Neurological and Cardiopulmonary Interventions	3	Clarkson College		
PTA 335	Advanced Musculoskeletal System Interventions	3	Clarkson College		
PTA 350	Clinical Leadership and Practice Integration III	1	Clarkson College		
PTA 370	Acute to Chronic Care in Physical Therapy	3	Clarkson College		
PTA 475	Capstone	3	Clarkson College		
PTA 450	Clinical Leadership and Practice Integration IV	1	Clarkson College		

Total semester hours in program = 122

Interprofessional Education Requirement (IPE): All programs require students to successfully pass IPE 301 before graduation.

Residency Requirement: At least 30 semester hours must be completed at Clarkson College for a Bachelor degree.

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^{*}Service Requirement: Bachelor programs require students to complete service experiences in Healthcare Communication Core and a minimum of one program-designated service course. Service experiences must be passed successfully to pass the class.