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 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

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|--------|------------------------------|-------|------------------|-----------------------|-------|
| 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 | | |
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| MAT 310 | Statistics | 3 | | |

Major Courses 22 credits

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|---------|---|-------|------------------|-----------------------|-------|
| 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 27 semester hours must be completed at Clarkson College for a Bachelor degree.

For more information, please contact Jessica Niemann, Director of Physical Therapist Assistant Programs at 402.552.2868 or niemannjessica@clarksoncollege.edu

^{*}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.