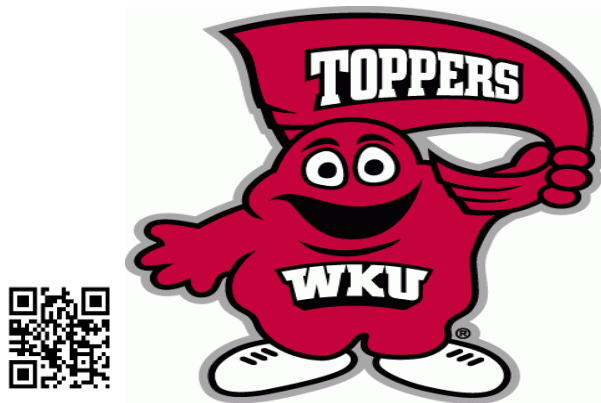


# PRE-PHYSICAL THERAPY INFORMATION



Specialty	Average Salary
Physical Therapist	\$79,000

SOURCES: ExploreHealthCareers.org  
The American Almanac of Jobs and Salaries  
Occupational Outlook Handbook 2012-13

## WHAT DO PT SCHOOLS EVALUATE?

- Academic Record
- GRE Score
- Letters of Evaluation
- Personal Statement (PTCAS Application)
- Experience
- Interview

For more info: <http://www.ptcas.org/Home.aspx>  
and <http://www.wku.edu/wkuhpa>

## WKU COURSES FOR PRE-PT EMPHASIS\*

BIOL 120/121 Biological Concepts I (4)  
BIOL 122/123 Biological Concepts II (4)  
BIOL 131 Human Anatomy & Physiology (4)  
BIOL 231 Adv. Human Anatomy & Physiology (4)

CHEM 120/121 College Chemistry I (5)  
CHEM 222/223 College Chemistry II (5)

PHYS 231/232 Physics & Biophysics I (4)  
PHYS 332/233 Physics & Biophysics II (4)

PSYS 100 Introductory Psychology (3)  
PSYS 220 Developmental Psychology (3)  
MATH 183 Introductory Statistics (3)

Courses that will assist in your first 2 years in physical therapy school include: Comparative Anatomy, Biochemistry, Microbiology, Medical Terminology, Animal Physiology, Physiology of Exercise, and Genetics.

The Bachelor's Degree requires 120 hours. The major + minor must total at least 54 hours (48 unduplicated). A student may opt for a 48 major with no minor.

\* "Pre-PT" is not a major, but is a concentration.

## APPLICATION TIMETABLE

Study for the GRE	Now! At least 4 months prior to attempting the test.
Register for the GRE	Register early (60-90 days prior) for the date and location you desire (seats are limited). <b>Cost, \$195.</b>
GRE	The computer-based GRE is given year-round.
PTCAS Online App.	Primary application to PT school, you may begin working on it in July, and it should be submitted by October 1st. <b>Cost, \$140+ \$40/school.</b>
Letters of Evaluation	After you complete your application, contact your advisor.
Secondary Applications	Submit as soon as you can adequately complete.
Interviews	Contacted Mid-December to be interviewed in Mid to late January.
Acceptances	As early as Mid-February but as late as June.

## OTHER INFORMATION

- There are 231 accredited physical therapy schools in the U.S., District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico.
- You will view your unofficial Verbal and Quant GRE scores at the testing center (computer-based)
- Scholarships and other forms of Financial Aid are available, most students take out loans
- Get some experience, volunteer, shadow and/or work in a physical therapy setting
- Join Alpha Epsilon Delta, the pre-health professions honor society

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