



## Pre-Physical Therapy Preparation

Physical Therapists work with patients to regain mobility and strength after accidents or injury. They work with people of all ages, in schools, nursing homes, and hospitals. Students should maintain a grade point average near or above 3.40/4.00, with a high Graduate Record Exam (GRE). Most programs also require 45+ experience hours in the field of health care (preferably physical therapy, either actual or through observation). Below are the requirements to be considered for admission to Doctor of Physical Therapy Programs. As long as the requirements are met, **identifying an undergraduate major is based completely on the student's interests and goals – AEROSPACE PHYSIOLOGY major fulfills the below criteria as well as the experiential component that most schools require.** Physical Therapy schools do not favor any particular major. Most importantly, these schools are seeking individuals who are well rounded in their educational background and applied experiences. More information about the profession can be found through the **American Physical Therapy Association** <http://www.apta.org>

### GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

Coursework in humanities and social sciences (especially additional psychology and sociology) are often required.

English		Biology	
COM 122	English Composition	BIO 104/L	Foundations of Biology I
COM219	Speech Communication	BIO 105/L	Foundations of Biology II
		BIO 200	Genetics
		BIO 201	Microbiology
Chemistry			
CHM 105/L	General Chem. I w/Lab	BIO 301	Human Anatomy and Physiol. I
CHM 106/L	General Chem. II w/Lab	BIO 302	Human Anatomy and Physiol. II
		BIO 400	Molecular and Cell Biology
Psychology			
PSY 101	Intro to Psychology	Physics	
		PS 103	Technical Physics I
		PS 104	Technical Physics II
Math			
MA 222	Business Statistics	PS 115L	Technical Physics I Lab
		PS 116L	Technical Physics II Lab

Students should always consult the admission requirements for their focal schools. A list of Physical Therapy Schools in the state of Florida can be found through the Florida Physical Therapy Association <http://www.fpta.org/>.