

MARIST

DOCTOR OF PHYSICAL THERAPY (DPT)

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I chose to pursue my doctor of physical therapy degree at Marist because of their reputation when it comes to research and evidence-based practice, in which an area of study is never perfected unless there is continuous search for knowledge.



Gabrielle Marie Dy '23

ADVANCING HEALTH THROUGH MOVEMENT

The Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program is a full-time, 115-credit program designed to prepare students for the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) and successful careers as doctors of physical therapy. The program consists of 36 months of didactic and clinical work.

The DPT facility is self-contained with high-tech classrooms; a physical therapy lab; and a suite of simulation labs, including trauma, surgery, and traditional examination rooms. In addition, the facility has a full gross anatomy laboratory and state-of-the-art Movement Analysis Lab that supports the learning experience.

MISSION

The Marist DPT Program is committed to creating the next generation of physical therapists by offering the highest standard of excellence in physical therapy education. Graduates will be prepared to merge hands-on skills, ethical care, clinical judgment and critical inquiry to promote optimal functioning of current and future clients throughout their lifespan. The DPT program will instill the importance of providing advocacy and service to the profession, as well as to local and global communities.



100%

Graduation Rate

93.8%

**First-time Pass Rate
on the National Physical
Therapy Exam**

100%

**Ultimate Pass Rate
on the National Physical
Therapy Exam**

100%

**Employment Rate
for Those Who Sought
Employment**

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UPCOMING EVENTS

The best way to find out about our programs is to attend an open house or virtual information session! Visit marist.edu/rsvp to RSVP.



Scan to see upcoming events.

CURRICULUM

FIRST YEAR

Session I (Winter/Spring) (13 credits)

- ▶ PHTH 600 Human Gross Anatomy 6
- ▶ PHTH 601 Intro. to Physical Therapy 2
- ▶ PHTH 602 Human Physiology 3
- ▶ PHTH 603 Critical Inquiry I 2

Session II (Summer) (13 credits)

- ▶ PHTH 605 Movement Science I 4
- ▶ PHTH 606 Exercise Physiology 2
- ▶ PHTH 607 Clinical Neuroscience 4
- ▶ PHTH 608 Clinical Skills I 3

Session III (Fall) (16 credits)

- ▶ PHTH 610 Critical Inquiry II 3
- ▶ PHTH 611 Intro. To Clinical Decision Making 2
- ▶ PHTH 612 Clinical Skills II 4
- ▶ PHTH 614 Movement Science II 2
- ▶ PHTH 615 Therapeutic Exercise 2
- ▶ PHTH 616 Musculoskeletal Management I 3

SECOND YEAR

Session IV (Winter/Spring) (14 credits)

- ▶ PHTH 613 Pathology 3
- ▶ PHTH 617 Neurological Management I 3
- ▶ PHTH 618 Diagnostic Imaging 2
- ▶ PHTH 620 Clinical Education I 6

Session V (Summer) (11 credits)

- ▶ PHTH 622 Musculoskeletal Management II 4
- ▶ PHTH 623 Neurological Management II 4
- ▶ PHTH 625 Lifespan Physical Therapy-Pediatrics 2
- ▶ PHTH 626 Rounds I 1

Session VI (Fall) (15 credits)

- ▶ PHTH 627 Cardiopulmonary Patient Management 3
- ▶ PHTH 628 Integumentary Patient Management 2
- ▶ PHTH 629 Pharmacology in Physical Therapy 1
- ▶ PHTH 630 The Physical Therapist as an Educator 2
- ▶ PHTH 631 Health Promotion and Wellness 1
- ▶ PHTH 632 Clinical Education II 6

THIRD YEAR

Session VII (Winter/Spring) (13 credits)

- ▶ PHTH 700 Differential Diagnosis 3
- ▶ PHTH 701 Advanced Manual Therapy 2
- ▶ PHTH 702 Lifespan Physical Therapy/ Adults-Geriatrics 2
- ▶ PHTH 703 Prosthetics and Orthotics 2
- ▶ PHTH 704 Health Promotion and Wellness II 1
- ▶ PHTH 705 Administration and Leadership 3

Session VIII (Summer) (10 credits)

- ▶ PHTH 707 Clinical Education III 7
- ▶ PHTH 708 Doctoral Project – Research 3

OR

- ▶ PHTH 709 Doctoral Project – Service 3

OR

- ▶ PHTH 710 Doctoral Project – Education 3

Session IX (Fall) (10 credits)

- ▶ PHTH 712 Clinical Education IV 7
- ▶ PHTH 713 Rounds II 1
- ▶ PHTH 714 Capstone 1
- ▶ PHTH 715 Cumulative Exam 1

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

A baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution or an equivalent institution must be awarded prior to matriculation into the program.

Our program starts in the beginning of January each year. Please see our website for up-to-date PTCAS application deadlines.

- ▶ PT volunteer/work experience forms demonstrating a minimum of 40 hours of volunteer or work-related PT experience.
- ▶ Completion of the following prerequisite courses with a "C" or better. All science courses must include a lab.
 - ▶ Anatomy & Physiology I and II: 8 credits
 - ▶ General Biology I and II: 8 credits
 - ▶ General Chemistry I and II: 8 credits
 - ▶ Physics I and II: 8 credits
 - ▶ Psychology: 6 credits
 - ▶ Statistics: 3 credits
- ▶ The academic standard for admission is a 3.0 GPA overall, combined with a 3.0 GPA for science prerequisite courses.

- ▶ Two letters of reference must be received for an application to be complete. These letters are to be submitted and completed by non-relative professional references including a professor, employer, or physical therapist with whom a clinical observation was performed. These individuals should be able to attest to your character, strengths/weaknesses, integrity, and work ethic.
- ▶ The GRE is not required for admission.
- ▶ TOEFL score (if Bachelors Degree from outside the US)

SCHOLARSHIPS

If you are planning to join the Marist DPT program in January 2025 or thereafter, you may qualify for one of the following DPT Academic Scholarships.

Applicants with a minimum 3.3 - 3.59 cumulative overall GPA (as calculated in PTCAS) qualify for \$7,500/year (\$22,500 total)*

Applicants with a minimum 3.6 cumulative overall GPA (as calculated in PTCAS) qualify for \$10,500/year (\$31,500 total)*

*Students must maintain a 3.4 overall GPA each year to keep this scholarship.



Commission on Accreditation
in Physical Therapy Education

The Doctor of Physical Therapy Program at Marist College is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE), 3030 Potomac Ave., Suite 100, Alexandria, Virginia 22305-3085; telephone: 703-706-3245; email: accreditation@apta.org; website: <http://www.capteonline.org>. If needing to contact the program/institution directly, please call (845) 575-3800 or email graduate@marist.edu.