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## PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT | MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (25 courses; 65 credits)\*

### Departmental Core (19 courses; 51 credits)

- PTA 101 Introduction to Physical Therapy (4)
- PTA 103 Health Care Communications (1)
- PTA 104 Introduction to Physical Therapy Lab (1)
- PTA 200 Kinesiology (4)
- PTA 204 Kinesiology Lab (1)
- PTA 205 Pathophysiology (3)
- PTA 206 Therapeutic Modalities (4)
- PTA 207 Orthopedics for the PTA (4)
- PTA 208 Therapeutic Exercise (3)
- PTA 209 General Rehab (3)
- PTA 210 Neuro Rehabilitation (4)
- PTA 211 Clinical Education I (4)
- PTA 212 Clinical Education II (4)
- PTA 213 Clinical Education III (5)
- PTA 214 Professional Issues Seminar (2)
- PTA 216 Therapeutic Modalities Lab (1)

- PTA 217 Orthopedic Interventions Lab (1)
- PTA 218 Therapeutic Exercise Lab (1)
- PTA 219 Neuro Rehabilitation Lab (1)

### Cognate Courses (6 courses; 14 credits)

- BIO 240 Human Anatomy and Physiology I (3)
- BIO 241 Human Anatomy and Physiology I Lab (1)
- BIO 250 Human Anatomy and Physiology II (3)
- BIO 251 Human Anatomy and Physiology II Lab (1)
- STAT 109 Statistics (3)
- or
- MATH 111 College Algebra (3)
- SOC 108 Human Growth & Development (3)
- or
- PSYC 101 Introduction to Psychology (3)

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## REACH CURRICULUM (6 courses, 16 credits)

### The Freshman Experience

- ~~IMU 101 Introduction to Mercyhurst (1)~~
- COMP 120 Research and Writing (3)

*Associate Degree students must take 4 courses from the REACH categories below. One MUST be in the Reason and Faith category*

### R: Reason and Faith (CST, PHIL, RLST)

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### E: Expression and Creativity (ENG and ART, DANC, MUS, THEA)

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### A: Analytic Thought (MATH, STAT and BIO, CHEM, GEOL, PHYS, SCI)

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### C: Contexts and Systems (ECON, HIS, POLI)

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### H: Humans in Connection (ANTH, PSYC, SOC, WL)

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# MERCYHURST NORTH EAST

Physical Therapist Assistant | Associate of Science

DEGREE COMPLETION PLAN

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Year	Major Requirements	REACH Curriculum	Credits
Year 1 Fall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PTA 200 Kinesiology (4)</li> <li>• PTA 204 Kinesiology Lab (1)</li> <li>• PTA 103 Health Care Communications (1)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• COMP 120 Research and Writing (3)</li> <li>• BIO 240 Human Anatomy and Physiology I (3)</li> <li>• BIO 241 Human Anatomy and Physiology I Lab (1)</li> <li>• STAT 109 Statistics (3) or MATH 111 College Algebra (3)</li> </ul>	16
Year 1 Spring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BIO 250 Human Anatomy and Physiology II (3)</li> <li>• BIO 251 Human Anatomy and Physiology II Lab (1)</li> <li>• PTA 101 Introduction to Physical Therapy (4)</li> <li>• PTA 104 Introduction to Physical Therapy Lab (1)</li> <li>• PTA 205 Pathophysiology (3)</li> <li>• PTA 207 Orthopedics for the PTA (4)</li> </ul>		16
Year 1 Summer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PTA 208 Therapeutic Exercise (3)</li> <li>• PTA 218 Therapeutic Exercise Lab (1)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SOC 108 Human Growth &amp; Development (3) or PSYC 101 Introduction to Psychology (3)</li> <li>• REACH course of your choice* (3)</li> </ul>	10
Year 2 Fall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PTA 206 Therapeutic Modalities (4)</li> <li>• PTA 216 Therapeutic Modalities Lab (1)</li> <li>• PTA 217 Orthopedic Interventions Lab (1)</li> <li>• PTA 210 Neuro Rehabilitation (4)</li> <li>• PTA 219 Neuro Rehabilitation Lab (1)</li> <li>• PTA 211 Clinical Education I (4)</li> </ul>		15
Year 2 Spring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PTA 209 General Rehab (3)</li> <li>• PTA 212 Clinical Education II (4)</li> <li>• PTA 213 Clinical Education III (5)</li> <li>• PTA 214 Professional Issues Seminar (2)</li> </ul>		14

TOTAL CREDITS 71

\* At least one REACH course must fulfill the *Reason and Faith* requirement.

**Please Note:** This plan represents a suggested plan of completion. Offerings may vary by year; therefore, adjustments made need to be made depending on University resources. Please see your faculty advisor to discuss any issues or questions about actual or anticipated course offerings. All students and advisors are encouraged to use Student Planning to continually monitor their Official Degree Progress.