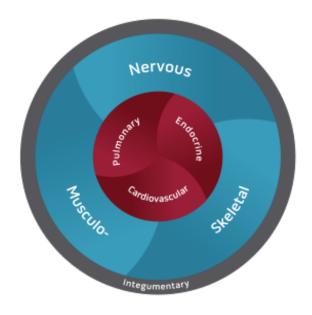
Physical Therapy

Physical therapy is the science of human movement applied to rehabilitation, injury, fitness, injury prevention and overall health. Practicing in a variety of settings, physical therapists diagnose and treat movement dysfunction in patients with skill, competence and compassion. The Program in Physical Therapy is committed to providing students with excellent scientific and clinical education in an environment that strives to continually lead the industry in practice, research, innovation and advocacy of movement health.

The Program in Physical Therapy at the School of Medicine offers two formal curricula that collectively foster opportunities for lifelong learning and comprehensive career development: the Doctor of Physical Therapy and the PhD in Movement Science.

The Human Movement System Approach



The Program in Physical Therapy has pioneered a unique, movement-based approach to physical therapy. The human movement system is at the core of our approach to physical therapy education, research and patient care. This system consists of physiological organ systems that interact to produce and support the movement of the body and its parts. Movement science is the study of the movement system, and we believe physical therapists are the world's movement system experts.

Our program has pioneered the development of movement-focused physical therapy education, research and treatment. The human movement system continues to be our foundation for treating patients, conducting research, and training the next generation of leaders in physical therapy. Our vision is aligned with the vision of the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA), which is to "transform society by optimizing movement to improve the human experience."

Additional Information

Further information, including complete admissions instructions and program descriptions, may be obtained through direct correspondence with the Program in Physical Therapy:

Program in Physical Therapy Washington University School of Medicine 4444 Forest Park Avenue, CB 8502 St. Louis, MO 63108-2212 Fax: 314-286-1410

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Degrees & Offerings

· Doctor of Physical Therapy

• PhD in Movement Science

Research

The mission of the Research Division is to understand how the movement system is affected by disease, injury, lifestyle, development and aging and to understand how movement can be used to promote health by enhancing physical function, activity and participation across the lifespan.

Our interdisciplinary scientific endeavors include mechanistic and translational investigations at all levels of organization, from the cell to society. Our research is supported by millions of dollars in federal, private foundation and university funding. We pursue knowledge in a collaborative work environment within the Movement Science Research Center.

Our doctoral and postdoctoral Research Training Programs prepare students for careers at the forefront of physical therapy and movement science research.

Research Areas

Research Area	Faculty Investigators
Foot & Ankle Injury & Recovery	Mary K. Hastings, PT, DPT, MSCI, ATC
Integrative Muscle Physiology	Gretchen A. Meyer, PhD
Movement & Neurodegenerative Disease	Gammon M. Earhart, PT, PhD
Movement & Neurodegenerative Disease	Ryan P. Duncan, PT, DPT
Neural Control of Movement Following Neurological Injury	Laura McPherson, PT, DPT, PhD
Neural Plasticity and Sencorimotor Integration	Jacob McPherson, PhD
Orthopaedic Biomechanics	Michael D. Harris, PhD
Prevention, Rehabilitation & Maintenance in Musculoskeletal Conditions	Linda Van Dillen, PT, PhD, FAPTA



Quantitative Methodology and Rehabilitation Informatics	Keith Lohse, PhD, PStat
Rehabilitation Research for Orthopaedic Conditions	Marcie Harris-Hayes, PT, DPT, MSCI
Shoulder Biomechanics and Rehabilitation	Rebekah Lawrence, PT, PhD
Stroke Recovery & Rehabilitation Accelerometry	Catherine Lang, PT, PhD
Stroke Recovery & Rehabilitation Accelerometry	Marghuretta D. Bland, PT, DPT, NCS
Stroke Recovery, Rehabilitation, and Accelerometry	Carey L. Holleran, PT, MPT, DHS, NCS
Tendon Rehabilitation	Jennifer Zellers, PT, DPT PhD
Whole Body & Joint-Level Orthopaedic Biomechanics	Michael D. Harris, PhD

Movement Science Research Center

The Movement Science Research Center is approximately 13,000 square feet of newly renovated space that provides a collaborative environment for faculty, PhD students and postdoctoral fellows to conduct rehabilitation research.

The facility includes numerous private rooms for clinical interventions and state-of-the-art equipment.

Equipment List	
Accelerometer activity monitors	Gene and protein quantification
Balance platform	Histology
Biological sample processing equipment	Motion capture
Biplane videoradiography	Muscle physiology testing equipment
Cell culture suite	Oscilloscopes
Dynamometers	Rotating treadmill
Electromyography	Simulated spaces for functional activities
Eye tracking	Split-belt treadmill
Force platforms	Treadmills
Function generators	Wheel mill system
GAITRite instrumented walkway	

Research Training Programs

We offer physical therapy research training programs designed to prepare students at the doctoral and postdoctoral levels for careers in groundbreaking physical therapy research.

PhD in Movement Science

Under the Movement Science Program, students work on the research topics that interest them while completing course work that prepares them for their research careers. The Movement Science Program encourages collaboration with other departments within the School of Medicine.

Visit the Program in Physical Therapy website for more information about the Movement Science Program.

Postdoctoral Fellowship in Movement Science

Our Postdoctoral Fellowship in Movement Science offers an opportunity to develop and complete research projects related to movement science and rehabilitation. Fellows are encouraged to collaborate with other faculty and programs in the School of Medicine.

Visit the Program in Physical Therapy website for more information about the Postdoctoral Fellowship.

Comprehensive Opportunities in Rehabilitation Research Training Program

The Comprehensive Opportunities in Rehabilitation Research Training (CORRT) Program is a multicenter career development program for physical and occupational therapists.

Visit the CORRT website for more information about the CORRT Program.

Institute of Clinical and Translational Sciences

The Institute of Clinical and Translational Sciences (ICTS) offers programs designed to support investigators at each phase of their clinical and translational research studies.

Visit the ICTS website for more information about the ICTS.

Clinical Research Training Center

The Clinical Research Training Center (CRTC) fosters clinical research training and career development for predoctoral students, house staff, postdoctoral fellows and faculty.

Visit the CRTC website for more information about the CRTC.

Faculty

Gammon Earhart, PT, PhD

Executive Director, Program in Physical Therapy

Steve Ambler, PT, DPT, PhD, MPH

Division Director of Education



Tammy L. Burlis, PT, DPT, CCS

Director of Clinical Education

Linda Van Dillen, PT, PhD, FAPTA

Division Director of Research

Gregory Holtzman, PT, DPT, SCS

Division Director of Clinical Practice

Visit our website for more information about our faculty and their appointments.



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Professor of Orthopedic Surgery
DPT Program Director of Physical Therapy
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Doctor of Physical Therapy, Washington University in St Louis, 2005
Master of Public Health, University of South Florida, 2014
Doctor of Philosophy, University of South Florida, 2016



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Professor of Neurology
Professor of Occupational Therapy
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Master of Science, Washington University in St Louis, 2008
Doctor of Physical Therapy, Washington University in St Louis, 2008

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Assistant Professor of Orthopedic Surgery
Bachelor of Science, University of Virginia, 2006
Doctor of Physical Therapy, Washington University in St Louis, 2010

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Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)
Director for Clinical Education in Physical Therapy
Associate Director of Professional Curriculum in Physical Therapy
Professor of Medicine
Bachelor of Arts, Wartburg College, 1988
Bachelor of Science, Washington University in St Louis, 1988

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Emeritus Professor of Physical Therapy Bachelor of Science, Saint Louis University, 1974 Doctor of Philosophy, Saint Louis University, 1988

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Assistant Professor of Neurology
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Bachelor of Science, Luther College Iowa, 2011
Doctor of Physical Therapy, Saint Ambrose University, 2013



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Associate Professor Emeritus of Physical Therapy
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Rock University of Pennsylvania), 1967
Master of Science, University of Massachussetts (Duplicate of University
of Massachusetts Amherst), 1968
Doctor of Philosophy, University of Iowa, 1981

Susan S. Deusinger, M.A., Ph.D.

Professor Emeritus of Physical Therapy
Bachelor of Science, University of Kansas, 1969
Master of Arts, Washington University in St Louis, 1980
Doctor of Philosophy, Washington University in St Louis, 1987

Ryan Patrick Duncan, M.S., D.P.T.

Associate Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)
Associate Professor of Neurology
Bachelor of Science, Maryville University of Saint Louis, 2007
Doctor of Physical Therapy, Washington University in St Louis, 2012
Master of Science, Washington University in St Louis, 2018



Gammon Marie Earhart, M.S., Ph.D.

Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)
Associate Dean for Physical Therapy
Professor of Neurology
Professor of Neuroscience
Bachelor of Science, Arcadia University, 1994
Master of Science, Arcadia University, 1996
Doctor of Philosophy, Washington University in St Louis, 2000



Kristopher Gordon, D.P.T.

Assistant Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)
Assistant Professor of Orthopedic Surgery
Bachelor of Science, Murray State University, 2005
Doctor of Physical Therapy, University of Missouri Columbia, 2014

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Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)

Professor of Orthopedic Surgery

Bachelor of Science, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 1990 Master of Science, Washington University in St Louis, 1993

Doctor of Physical Therapy, Washington University in St Louis, 2002

Marcie Harris Hayes, M.S., D.P.T.

Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)

Professor of Orthopedic Surgery

Bachelor of Science, Missouri State University (Formerly Southwest Missouri State) 1994

Master of Science, Northwestern University, 1996

Doctor of Physical Therapy, Washington University in St Louis, 2003

Carey Lane Holleran, M.P.T., D.H.Sc.

Associate Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)
Assistant Director of Student Assessment and Program Evaluation in
Physical Therapy

Associate Professor of Neurology

Bachelor of Science, Duquesne University, 2003

Master of Physical Therapy, Duquesne University, 2004

Doctor of Health Science, University of Indianapolis, 2014

Gregory William Holtzman, M.S., D.P.T.

Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)

Division Director of Clinical Practice in Physical Therapy

Professor of Orthopedic Surgery

Bachelor of Arts, Emory University, 1995

Master of Science, Washington University in St Louis, 2001

Doctor of Physical Therapy, Washington University in St Louis, 2007

Elizabeth Hughes, D.P.T.

Assistant Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)

Assistant Professor of Neurology

Bachelor of Science, Saint Louis University, 2016

Doctor of Physical Therapy, Saint Louis University, 2018

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Renee A. Ivens, M.H.S., D.P.T.

Associate Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)

Associate Professor of Orthopedic Surgery

Bachelor of Science, Maryville University of Saint Louis, 1984

Master of Health Science, Washington University in St Louis, 1996 Doctor of Physical Therapy, Washington University in St Louis, 2006

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Assistant Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)
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Doctor of Physical Therapy, Washington University in St Louis, 2006

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Bachelor of Arts, Colorado State University, 1990

Master of Science, Washington University in St Louis, 1998

Doctor of Physical Therapy, Washington University in St Louis, 2008

Jeffrey Daniel Konrad, D.P.T., Ph.D.

Assistant Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)

Assistant Professor of Neurology

Bachelor of Science, University of Wisconsin Milwaukee, 2008

 ${\tt Doctor\,of\,Physical\,Therapy, University\,of\,Wisconsin\,Milwaukee, 2011}$

Doctor of Philosophy, Washington University in St Louis, 2024

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Catherine Eckels Lang, M.S., Ph.D.

Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)

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Professor of Neurology

Professor of Occupational Therapy

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Bachelor of Science, University of Vermont, 1993

Master of Science, University of Vermont, 1997

Doctor of Philosophy, Washington University in St Louis, 2001

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Associate Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)

Associate Professor of Orthopedic Surgery

Bachelor of Science, Washington University in St Louis, 2007

Doctor of Physical Therapy, Washington University in St Louis, 2012

Rebekah Lawrence, D.P.T., Ph.D.

Assistant Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)

Assistant Professor of Orthopedic Surgery

Bachelor of Science, Bradley University, 2006

Doctor of Physical Therapy, Saint Ambrose University, 2008

Doctor of Philosophy, University of Minnesota, 2018

Sylvia Lin, M.S., D.P.T.

Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)

Professor of Orthopedic Surgery

Bachelor of Arts, Washington University in St Louis, 2000

Master of Science, Washington University in St Louis, 2002

Doctor of Physical Therapy, Washington University in St Louis, 2011

Keith Robert Lohse, M.A., Ph.D.

Associate Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)

Associate Professor of Neurology

Master of Arts, University of Colorado Boulder, 2009

Doctor of Philosophy, University of Colorado Boulder, 2012

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Associate Professor of Orthopedic Surgery
Associate Director of Student Affairs & Employee Engagement
Associate of Science, Hinds Community College, 2001
Bachelor of Science, University of West Alabama, 2004
Doctor of Physical Therapy, Alabama State University, 2007

Ammar Mahmood, Ph.D.

Assistant Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)
Assistant Professor of Cell Biology and Physiology
Associate of Science, Metropolitan Community College-Kansas City,
2012

Bachelor of Science, University of Missouri Kansas City, 2015 Doctor of Philosophy, Saint Louis University, 2023

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Associate Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)
Assistant Director of Clinical Education in Physical Therapy
Associate Professor of Orthopedic Surgery
Associate Professor of Pediatrics
Bachelor of Arts, Washington University in St Louis, 2001
Doctor of Physical Therapy, Washington University in St Louis, 2004

Jacob Graves McPherson, M.S., Ph.D.

Associate Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)
Associate Professor of Anesthesiology
Bachelor of Science, University of North Carolina at Asheville, 2005
Master of Science, Northwestern University, 2008
Doctor of Philosophy, Northwestern University, 2011

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Assistant Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)
Assistant Professor of Neurology
Bachelor of Science, Vanderbilt University, 2006
Doctor of Physical Therapy, Northwestern University, 2012
Doctor of Philosophy, Northwestern University, 2014

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Associate Professor of Neurology
Associate Professor of Orthopedic Surgery
Bachelor of Science, Washington University in St Louis, 2004
Master of Science, Washington University in St Louis, 2004
Doctor of Philosophy, University of California San Diego, 2011

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Doctor of Physical Therapy, Washington University in St Louis, 2012

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Bachelor of Science, Grinnell College, 2010
Doctor of Physical Therapy, Washington University in St Louis, 2019



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Bachelor of Arts, Carthage College, 2007
Master of Science, Logan College of Chiropractic, 2008
Doctor of Education, Lindenwood University, 2017

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Master of Arts, Washington University in St Louis, 1971
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Voluntary Research Professor of Physical therapy Bachelor of Science, State University of New York, 1979 Master of Health Science, Washington University in St Louis, 1983 Doctor of Philosophy, West Virginia University, 1992

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Doctor of Physical Therapy, Washington University in St Louis, 2016

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Doctor of Physical Therapy, Washington University in St Louis, 2002

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Master of Health Science, Washington University in St Louis, 1994
Doctor of Physical Therapy, Washington University in St Louis, 2006

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Professor Emerita of Physical Therapy
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Master of Science, University of Southern California, 1979
Doctor of Philosophy, Washington University in St Louis, 1994
Master of Social Work, Washington University in St Louis, 2006



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Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)
Professor of Orthopedic Surgery
Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology
Bachelor of Science, Saint Louis University, 2000
Master of Science, Saint Louis University, 2002
Doctor of Physical Therapy, Washington University in St Louis, 2009



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Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)
Division Director of Research in Physical Therapy
Professor of Orthopedic Surgery
Bachelor of Science, University of Missouri Columbia, 1979
Master of Science, Washington University in St Louis, 1985
Doctor of Philosophy, Washington University in St Louis, 1994



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Assistant Professor of Physical Therapy (primary appointment)
Assistant Professor of Orthopedic Surgery
Bachelor of Science, University of Kentucky, 2007
Doctor of Physical Therapy, Washington University in St Louis, 2010
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Jennifer Ann Zellers, D.P.T., Ph.D.

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Assistant Professor of Orthopedic Surgery
Bachelor of Science, Arcadia University, 2007
Doctor of Physical Therapy, Columbia University, 2010
Doctor of Philosophy, University of Delaware, 2018

Courses

PHYSTHER 5001 Independent Study

Independent research work under supervision of a faculty member in the Program in Physical Therapy. This course requires faculty permission. Forms are available from Dr. Clark.

Credit 1-6 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring

PHYSTHER 5890 Movement Science Dissertation

Prerequisite, approval of movement science steering committee Credit 2 units.

Typical periods offered: Spring

PHYSTHER 8101 Patient and Client Care 1

The learner will demonstrate a minimum of the level 1 benchmark in competency development to provide informed, effective, and efficient care for the management of movement-related health conditions and the promotion of health and wellness. The learner will choose topics organized through the clinician/scholar/educator thread to improve in this domain, as needed.

Credit 0.5 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring, Summer

PHYSTHER 8102 Knowledge for Practice 1

The learner will demonstrate a minimum of the level 1 benchmark in competency development to integrate knowledge from established and evolving movement and other relevant biomedical, clinical, epidemiological and social-behavioral sciences to guide practice. The learner will choose topics organized through the clinician/scholar/educator thread to improve in this domain, as needed. Credit 0.5 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring, Summer

PHYSTHER 8103 Practice-Based Learning and Improvement 1

The learner will demonstrate a minimum of the level 1 benchmark in competency development to evaluate one's delivery of care, appraise and assimilate scientific evidence, and continuously improve performance based on self-evaluation. The learner will choose topics organized through the clinician/scholar/educator thread to improve in this domain, as needed.

Credit 0.5 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring, Summer

PHYSTHER 8104 Interpersonal & Communication Skills 1

The learner will demonstrate a minimum of the level 1 benchmark in competency development to use effective interpersonal and communication skills to interact and collaborate with others. The learner will choose topics organized through the clinician/scholar/educator thread to improve in this domain, as needed. Credit 0.5 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring, Summer

PHYSTHER 8105 Professionalism 1

The learner will demonstrate a minimum of the level 1 benchmark in competency development to adhere to ethical and legal principles, model professional behaviors, and display a commitment to citizenship within the profession and the community. The learner will choose topics organized through the clinician/scholar/educator thread to improve in this domain, as needed.

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Credit 0.5 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring, Summer

PHYSTHER 8106 Systems-Based Practice 1

The learner will demonstrate a minimum of the level 1 benchmark in competency development to function effectively and proactively within evolving systems and environments that contribute to the health of individuals and populations. The learner will choose topics organized through the clinician/scholar/educator thread to improve in this domain, as needed.

Credit 0.5 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring, Summer

PHYSTHER 8107 Interprofessional Collaboration 1

The learner will demonstrate a minimum of the level 1 benchmark in competency development to engage within interprofessional teams as an effective member and collaborative leader. The learner will choose topics organized through the clinician/scholar/educator thread to improve in this domain, as needed.

Credit 0.5 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring, Summer

PHYSTHER 8108 Personal & Professional Development 1

The learner will demonstrate a minimum of the level 1 benchmark in competency development to demonstrate the attributes required to engage in lifelong personal and professional growth. The learner will choose topics organized through the clinician/scholar/educator thread to improve in this domain, as needed.

Credit 0.5 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring, Summer

PHYSTHER 8110 Learning, Health and Equity

Learners will explore the impact of health and equity on achieving our profession's vision: Transforming society by optimizing movement to improve the human experience. Faculty will describe the learner-centered academic physical therapy learning environment, and learners will engage in partnership with faculty to form the foundation for their shared success. Learners will be guided to understand the importance and utility of competency-based physical therapist education, learning science principles, and both the stages and attributes of the master adaptive learner in professional formation and lifelong professional development.

Credit 1 unit.

Typical periods offered: Fall

PHYSTHER 8120 Professions and Movement

Learners will gain an understanding of their roles as ethical professionals and movement system practitioners. Faculty will guide learners' discovery of significant events in the history of the profession, with an emphasis on the concepts of movement and diagnosis. Faculty will introduce a model for integrating the movement system with health and movement across the lifespan. Learners will begin to develop skills in screening, interviewing, movement analysis, and clinical reasoning through case examples that will span the curriculum.

Credit 1 unit. Typical periods offered: Fall

Learners will integrate the foundations of movement and the movement system through a population health framework. The movement system practitioner's role in health promotion and prevention will prepare the learner to promote health and prevent movement-related problems for populations, groups, and individuals

PHYSTHER 8130 Movement and Population Health

across the lifespan. Learners will be guided in the understanding of social and structural systems, moving beyond the health care system, and how they impact the health of society and the individual. The learner will continue to develop the patient-client relationship and begin to demonstrate the communication skills necessary to work in interprofessional teams to promote health and prevent movement-related problems.

Credit 2 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall

PHYSTHER 8140 Movement and Precision Health

Learners will focus on the role of the movement system practitioner in individual health. They will integration the foundations of movement, the movement system, and foundations of movement-related conditions through a precision health framework that includes interactions across the spectrum of the environmental level to the cell molecular level. Learners will be guided in a basic understanding of the health care system and how it impacts the health of individuals. The learner will begin to prevent and manage movement-related problems for individuals across the lifespan while developing an understanding of their professional responsibilities in practice and how to identify areas for improvement in their practice.

Credit 10-15 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring

PHYSTHER 8191 Clinical Experience I

An eight-week, full time clinical experience supervised by clinical faculty. Allows the student to practice evaluation and treatment skills acquired in the classroom and laboratory. Also emphasizes development of professional behaviors.

Credit 4 units.

Typical periods offered: Spring, Summer

PHYSTHER 8201 Patient and Client Care 2

The learner will demonstrate a minimum of the level 2 benchmark in competency development to provide informed, effective, and efficient care for the management of movement-related health conditions and the promotion of health and wellness. The learner will choose topics organized through the clinician, scholar, educator thread to improve in this domain, as needed.

Credit 0.5 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring, Summer

PHYSTHER 8202 Knowledge for Practice 2

The learner will demonstrate a minimum of the level 2 benchmark in competency development to integrate knowledge from established and evolving movement and other relevant biomedical, clinical, epidemiological and social-behavioral sciences to guide practice. The learner will choose topics organized through the clinician, scholar, educator thread to improve in this domain, as needed.

Credit 0.5 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring, Summer

PHYSTHER 8203 Practice-Based Learning and Improvement 2

The learner will demonstrate a minimum of the level 2 benchmark in competency development to evaluate one's delivery of care, appraise and assimilate scientific evidence, and continuously improve performance based on self-evaluation. The learner will choose topics organized through the clinician, scholar, educator thread to improve in this domain, as needed.

Credit 0.5 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring, Summer



PHYSTHER 8204 Interpersonal & Communication Skills 2

The learner will demonstrate a minimum of the level 2 benchmark in competency development to use effective interpersonal and communication skills to interact and collaborate with others. The learner will choose topics organized through the clinician, scholar, educator thread to improve in this domain, as needed. Credit 0.5 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring, Summer

PHYSTHER 8205 Professionalism 2

The learner will demonstrate a minimum of the level 2 benchmark in competency development to adhere to ethical and legal principles, model professional behaviors, and display a commitment to citizenship within the profession and the community. The learner will choose topics organized through the clinician, scholar, educator thread to improve in this domain, as needed.

Credit 0.5 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring, Summer

PHYSTHER 8206 Systems-Based Practice 2

The learner will demonstrate a minimum of the level 2 benchmark in competency development to function effectively and proactively within evolving systems and environments that contribute to the health of individuals and populations. The learner will choose topics organized through the clinician, scholar, educator thread to improve in this domain, as needed.

Credit 0.5 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring, Summer

PHYSTHER 8207 Interprofessional Collaboration 2

The learner will demonstrate a minimum of the level 2 benchmark in competency development to engage within interprofessional teams as an effective member and collaborative leader. The learner will choose topics organized through the clinician, scholar, educator thread to improve in this domain, as needed.

Credit 0.5 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring, Summer

PHYSTHER 8208 Personal & Professional Development 2

The learner will demonstrate a minimum of the level 2 benchmark in competency development to demonstrate the attributes required to engage in lifelong personal and professional growth. The learner will choose topics organized through the clinician, scholar, educator thread to improve in this domain, as needed.

Credit 0.5 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring, Summer

PHYSTHER 8250 Prevention, Diagnosis and Management of Movement Problems

Learners will apply the foundations and moderators of movement in the prevention, diagnosis, and management of movement problems across the lifespan. An emphasis is placed on patient care and the impact of social, environmental, and health systems on patient/client management. Learners will begin to take on more responsibility for identifying and improving as a movement system practitioner to improve their practice, the profession, and the society the profession serves.

Credit 12 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall

PHYSTHER 8260 Prevention, Diagnosis and Management of Complex Movement Problems

Learners will apply the foundations and moderators of movement in the prevention, diagnosis, and management of movement-related conditions across the lifespan with an increasing complexity. An emphasis continues on patient care and the impact of social, environmental, and health systems on patient/client management. Learners will take responsibility for identifying and improving as a movement system practitioner to improve their practice, the profession, and the society the profession serves. Credit 6 units.

Typical periods offered: Spring, Summer

PHYSTHER 8292 Clinical Experience II

An eight-week, full-time clinical experience supervised by clinical faculty. Allows the student to practice evaluation and treatment skills acquired in the classroom and laboratory. Also emphasizes development of professional behaviors.

Credit 4 units

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring, Summer

PHYSTHER 8301 Patient and Client Care 3

The learner will demonstrate a minimum of the level 3 benchmark in competency development to provide informed, effective, and efficient care for the management of movement-related health conditions and the promotion of health and wellness. The learner will choose topics organized through the clinician, scholar, educator thread to improve in this domain, as needed.

Credit 0.5 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring

PHYSTHER 8302 Knowledge for Practice 3

The learner will demonstrate a minimum of the level 3 benchmark in competency development to integrate knowledge from established and evolving movement and other relevant biomedical, clinical, epidemiological and social-behavioral sciences to guide practice. The learner will choose topics organized through the clinician, scholar, educator thread to improve in this domain, as needed. Credit 0.5 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring

PHYSTHER 8304 Interpersonal & Communication Skills 3

The learner will demonstrate a minimum of the level 3 benchmark in competency development to use effective interpersonal and communication skills to interact and collaborate with others. The learner will choose topics organized through the clinician, scholar, educator thread to improve in this domain, as needed. Credit 0.5 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring

PHYSTHER 8305 Professionalism 3

The learner will demonstrate a minimum of the level 3 benchmark in competency development to adhere to ethical and legal principles, model professional behaviors, and display a commitment to citizenship within the profession and the community. The learner will choose topics organized through the clinician, scholar, educator thread to improve in this domain, as needed.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring

Credit 0.5 units.



PHYSTHER 8306 Systems-Based Practice 3

The learner will demonstrate a minimum of the level 3 benchmark in competency development to function effectively and proactively within evolving systems and environments that contribute to the health of individuals and populations. The learner will choose topics organized through the clinician, scholar, educator thread to improve in this domain, as needed.

Credit 0.5 units

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring

PHYSTHER 8307 Interprofessional Collaboration 3

The learner will demonstrate a minimum of the level 3 benchmark in competency development to engage within interprofessional teams as an effective member and collaborative leader. The learner will choose topics organized through the clinician, scholar, educator thread to improve in this domain, as needed.

Credit 0.5 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring

PHYSTHER 8308 Personal & Professional Development 3

The learner will demonstrate a minimum of the level 3 benchmark in competency development to demonstrate the attributes required to engage in lifelong personal and professional growth. The learner will choose topics organized through the clinician, scholar, educator thread to improve in this domain, as needed.

Credit 0.5 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring

PHYSTHER 8370 Practice and Movement

The learner will participate in self-selected activities designed to promote growth of professional skills and attributes gained during situational learning experiences. Learners will hone their clinical reasoning skills across all areas of the movement system. The learner will take action to further develop their professional identity. Learners and faculty will collaborate to optimize the learner's transition from supervised to independent practice with an emphasis on cultivating the master adaptive learner.

Credit 10 units.

Typical periods offered: Spring

PHYSTHER 8380 Practice, Health and Equity

Learners will reflect on experiences across the DPT curriculum in preparation for independent practice and lifelong professional development. Learners will engage in scholarly activities emphasizing practice, health, and equity. Learners will identify and advocate for professional and societal issues affecting physical therapist practice. Learners will enhance strategies to become lifelong master adaptive learners.

Credit 1 unit.

Typical periods offered: Spring

PHYSTHER 8393 Clinical Experience III

A 10-week, full-time clinical experience supervised by clinical faculty. Allows the student to practice evaluation and treatment skills acquired in the classroom and laboratory. Also emphasizes the development of professional behaviors.

Credit 5 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring, Summer

PHYSTHER 8394 Clinical Experience IV

A 12-week, full-time clinical experience supervised by clinical faculty. Allows the student to practice evaluation and treatment skills acquired in the classroom and laboratory. Also emphasizes the development of professional behaviors.

Credit 6 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring, Summer

PHYSTHER 8884 Doctoral Continuing Student Status

Full-Time Graduate Research Credit 0 units.

Typical periods offered: Fall, Spring, Summer