

GREAT NEWS for Pre-Physical Therapy students!

WWU and Tufts University Physical Therapy program have an agreement that allows WWU students who complete a degree with a major in Kinesiology or Public Health to have **guaranteed** acceptance into the Tufts University Doctor of Physical Therapy hybrid program, if the student completes the required prerequisite courses with the required grade level, and they fulfill Tufts program application requirements, including successful completion of a video interview.

Tufts University Doctor of Physical Therapy hybrid program will accept up to ten WWU students into each of its PT school sites (Boston, Massachusetts; Phoenix, Arizona; and Seattle, Washington) each year.

WWU students are responsible for reading the full description of the Tufts University Physical Therapy program DPT hybrid program at: <https://medicine.tufts.edu/academics/physical-therapy>, and the admission requirements at: <https://medicine.tufts.edu/admissions-financial-aid/admission-program/doctor-physical-therapy> and <https://medicine.tufts.edu/admissions-financial-aid/admission-program/doctor-physical-therapy/dpt-seattle>. Students may request information at: [go.tufts.edu/dpt more info](https://go.tufts.edu/dpt_more_info), and may contact a Tufts DPT Program admissions counsellor to meet with them via zoom: <https://tusmgp.admissions.tufts.edu/portal/dpt-office-hours>

WWU students should also read the updates sent out to Kinesiology and Public Health majors from WWU pre-PT advisors, detailing upcoming informational events hosted by the Tufts University PT program.

To apply to the Tufts University Physical Therapy program under this agreement, WWU students must complete the following:

1. A 4-year degree major in Kinesiology or Public Health, prior to starting the Tufts PT program.
2. The following WWU courses:

WWU Class (quarter credits)	Tufts Prerequisite Courses	Credit Hours	Required Lab
BIOL 101 (4 cr) (w/lab) & an upper-level Biology course such as Genetics, Microbiology, or Neuroscience or Exercise Physiology (4-5 cr)(w/lab)	General Biology I	3 semester hours/4 quarter hours	Yes
OR BIOL 204 (5 cr) (w/lab) & BIOL 205 (5 cr) (w/lab)	General Biology II (may include an upper-level Biology course such as Genetics, Microbiology, or Neuroscience. One Biology requirement may be fulfilled by an Exercise Physiology course)	3 semester hours/4 quarter hours	Yes
OR BIOL 204 (5 cr) (w/lab) & an upper-level Biology course such as Genetics, Microbiology, or Neuroscience or Exercise Physiology (4-5cr)(w/lab)			

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CHEM 161 (5 cr) (w/lab) CHEM 162 (5 cr) (w/lab) CHEM 163 (5 cr) (w/lab)	General Chemistry I	4 semester hours/6 quarter hours	Yes
	General Chemistry II	4 semester hours/6 quarter hours	Yes
Phys 114 (5 cr) Phys 115 (5 cr) (w/lab) Phys 116 (5 cr) (w/lab)	General Physics I	4 semester hours/6 quarter hours	Yes
	General Physics II	4 semester hours/6 quarter hours	Yes
PSY 101 (5 cr)	One Psychology Requirement (This requirement may be completed with any general Psychology course or an upper-level Psychology course)	3 semester hours/4 quarter hours	No
BIOL 348 (5 cr) (w/lab) BIOL 349 (5 cr) (w/lab) (accepted for Tufts A&P requirement)	Human Anatomy and Physiology I (Vertebrate anatomy will also be accepted)	4 semester hours/6 quarter hours	Yes
	Human Anatomy and Physiology II (Anatomy and Physiology sequence may be taken as a series of Human Anatomy and Human Physiology or as part of a 2-course A&P sequence)	4 semester hours/6 quarter hours	Yes
MATH 240 (4 cr) OR KIN 307 (4 cr)	Statistics or Research Design	3 semester hours/4 quarter hours	No

Notes:

- Courses used to fulfill the Anatomy & Physiology I and II prerequisites, including both lecture and lab components, must be completed within 10 years of the admissions cycle.
 - AP courses can be used to fulfill prerequisite courses if they were accepted from your undergraduate university towards your degree requirements. (e.g., Chemistry 1, Biology 1, etc.). Similarly, college courses taken in high school can be used as prerequisite courses as long as your undergraduate university accepted these credits.
3. Submit a completed application for the Tufts program through the [Physical Therapist Centralized Application Service \(PTCAS\)](#), by January 15 of the year of the student's desired year of admission. Students may have a priority application review if verified in PTCAS by October 1, students submitting applications to PTCAS after October 1 will still be considered for acceptance. See other

dates listed in the Tufts website: <https://medicine.tufts.edu/admissions-financial-aid/admission-program/doctor-physical-therapy/dpt-seattle>

Notes:

- Pending limited availability of application fee waivers, students may apply for an application fee waiver by reaching out to dpt.admissions@tufts.edu.
 - Students can apply to the DPT programs if they have five of the prerequisite courses completed. However, all prerequisites must be completed prior to matriculating into the DPT program and they must maintain the minimum cumulative GPA and prerequisite GPA requirements of 3.0 or greater (students slightly lower in this GPA requirement will be considered).
 - Students may apply to the Program as early as the summer semester following the completion of the second year of their undergraduate program. With the prior written consent of TUSM, a student may delay application to the Program up to one-year following such student's graduation from the student's undergraduate program at Western Washington University.
4. Remain in good academic and student conduct standing throughout the duration of enrollment at Western Washington University and any other educational institution.
 5. Submit a letter of intent to Tufts DPT Admissions to notify the Admissions Team of student's intention to be considered for admission under this Agreement (dpt.admissions@tufts.edu).

QUESTIONS? Contact: dpt.admissions@tufts.edu