ATSU | Arizona School of Health Sciences

Doctor of Physical Therapy

Mesa, Arizona | **atsu.edu/dpt-admissions**

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

A.T. Still University's (ATSU) entry-level Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program is 2.5 years and is offered on the Mesa, Arizona, campus. The program requires full-time attendance and includes supervised clinical internships. Cultural sensitivity and competence are built into the curriculum, which emphasizes ATSU's whole person healthcare mission as well as evidence-based practice.

CENTER FOR OCCUPATIONAL AND PHYSICAL THERAPY

The Center for Occupational and Physical Therapy is a teaching center where ATSU's occupational and physical therapy students offer no-cost treatment under the supervision of faculty. The center is operated and directed by students, providing leadership opportunities and experience through service on the Student Leadership Team.

SERVICE LEARNING PROJECT

All students complete a project related to improving the health of the community. Each project allows students to engage directly with community members.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

The program supports student participation in state and national meetings of the American Physical Therapy Association at multiple points in the curriculum.

PHYSICAL THERAPY RESIDENCY PROGRAMS

Upon graduation and successful completion of the national board examination, clinicians enhance their foundational knowledge and clinical skills to achieve specialization through enrollment in and completion of neurologic or orthopedic physical therapy residency programs.

Contact ATSU Admissions

660.626.2237
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atsuinfo.com

Schedule a meeting
atsuadmissions.youcanbook.me

Curriculum

YEAR ONE (12 MONTHS)

- Basic science courses
- Clinical courses *(general practice, musculoskeletal conditions, and neurorehabilitation)*
- Core courses in evidence-based practice, research design, and statistics
- Professional practice courses
- Integrated clinical experiences throughout with a full-time clinical at end of the first year

YEAR TWO (12 MONTHS)

- Clinical courses *(musculoskeletal, neurorehabilitation, acute care, and cardiopulmonary)*
- Courses focusing on special populations
- Integrated clinical experience
- Initial work on final research capstone project
- National Physical Therapy Exam board prep course
- First full-time clinical experience

YEAR THREE (6 MONTHS)

- Capstone projects
- Two full-time clinical experiences
- Online virtual grand rounds

Prerequisites

- Human Anatomy and Human Physiology*
- Biology/Zoology**
- General Chemistry**
- Physics*
- Psychology***
- Exercise Physiology****
- Statistics****

**Two courses with lab or 8 semester/12 quarter hours*
***One course with lab or 4 semester/6 quarter hours*
****Two courses or 6 semester/8 quarter hours*
*****One course or 3 semester/4 quarter hours*

Application information

For requirements and application information, please visit: **atsu.edu/dpt-apply**

Accreditation

A.T. Still University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, 230 S. LaSalle Street; Suite 7-500, Chicago, IL 60604, phone: 800.621.7440, fax: 312.263.7492, email: info@hlcommission.org, website: hlcommission.org
The residential Doctor of Physical Therapy program at A.T. Still University of Health Sciences is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE), 3030 Potomac Ave., Suite 100, Alexandria, VA 22305-3085, phone: 703.706.3245, email: accreditation@apta.org, website: capteonline.org
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A.T. Still University mission

A.T. Still University of Health Sciences serves as a learning-centered university dedicated to preparing highly competent professionals through innovative academic programs. The University is committed to continuing its osteopathic heritage and focus on whole person healthcare, scholarship, community health, interprofessional education, diversity, and underserved populations.

ATSU nondiscrimination policy

A.T. Still University (ATSU) does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, ethnicity, national origin, sex (including pregnancy), sexual orientation, age, disability, or veteran status in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in its programs and activities. Sexual harassment, dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault (e.g., nonconsensual sexual contact/intercourse), stalking, harassment, and retaliation are forms of discrimination prohibited by ATSU.

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