

# Washtenaw Community College Comprehensive Report

## PTA 102 Introduction to Physical Therapy Effective Term: Winter 2012

### Course Cover

**Division:** Math, Science and Health

**Department:** Allied Health

**Discipline:** Physical Therapist Assistant

**Course Number:** 102

**Org Number:** 15800

**Full Course Title:** Introduction to Physical Therapy

**Transcript Title:** Intro to Physical Therapy

**Is Consultation with other department(s) required:** No

**Publish in the Following:** College Catalog , Time Schedule , Web Page

**Reason for Submission:** Course Change

#### **Change Information:**

Course discipline code & number

Outcomes/Assessment

Objectives/Evaluation

**Rationale:** Moving course from HSC to PTA; conditionally approved, seeking full approval.

**Proposed Start Semester:** Winter 2012

#### **Course Description:**

In this course, students examine careers in physical therapy with an emphasis on the physical therapist assistant. It includes an overview of the educational requirements, state law regarding delivery of physical therapy services, the role of the physical therapist and the physical therapist assistant and the career opportunities for the physical therapist and the physical therapist assistant.

### Course Credit Hours

**Variable hours:** No

**Credits:** 1

**Lecture Hours: Instructor: 15 Student: 15**

**Lab: Instructor: 0 Student: 0**

**Clinical: Instructor: 0 Student: 0**

**Total Contact Hours: Instructor: 15 Student: 15**

**Repeatable for Credit:** NO

**Grading Methods:** Letter Grades

Audit

**Are lectures, labs, or clinicals offered as separate sections?:** NO (same sections)

### College-Level Reading and Writing

College-level Reading & Writing

### College-Level Math

#### Requisites

**Prerequisite**

Academic Reading and Writing Levels of 6

### General Education

## Request Course Transfer

Proposed For:

### Student Learning Outcomes

1. Identify the duties and responsibilities of the Physical Therapist and Physical Therapist Assistant.

#### **Assessment 1**

**Assessment Tool:** Departmental exam

**Assessment Date:** Winter 2012

**Assessment Cycle:** Every Three Years

**Course section(s)/other population:** All

**Number students to be assessed:** All

**How the assessment will be scored:** Answer key

**Standard of success to be used for this assessment:** 80% of students will correctly answer all questions related to this outcome.

**Who will score and analyze the data:** Program faculty

2. Describe the career opportunities available in Physical Therapy.

#### **Assessment 1**

**Assessment Tool:** Career Exploration Project

**Assessment Date:** Winter 2012

**Assessment Cycle:** Every Three Years

**Course section(s)/other population:** All

**Number students to be assessed:** All

**How the assessment will be scored:** Departmentally-developed rubric

**Standard of success to be used for this assessment:** 80% of the students will score 80% or higher.

**Who will score and analyze the data:** Program faculty

3. Identify factors influencing the delivery of physical therapy services.

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### Course Objectives

1. Define physical therapy.

#### **Matched Outcomes**

2. Describe the purpose of physical therapy.

#### **Matched Outcomes**

3. Describe the ethical responsibilities of the PT and the PTA.

#### **Matched Outcomes**

4. Describe professional behaviors.

### **Matched Outcomes**

5. Describe factors that influence the relationship between the PT and the PTA.

### **Matched Outcomes**

6. Identify the specialty areas of practice and advanced proficiency areas within physical therapy.

### **Matched Outcomes**

7. Identify various work settings.

### **Matched Outcomes**

8. Identify historical and current events that influence the delivery of healthcare and physical therapy services.

### **Matched Outcomes**

3. Identify factors influencing the delivery of physical therapy services.

9. Describe the educational requirements for physical therapists and physical therapist assistants.

### **Matched Outcomes**

10. Identify the legal factors that influence the delivery of physical therapy services.

### **Matched Outcomes**

3. Identify factors influencing the delivery of physical therapy services.

11. Identify select procedures performed by the physical therapist assistant.

### **Matched Outcomes**

## **New Resources for Course**

### **Course Textbooks/Resources**

Textbooks

Pagliarulo, M.. *Introduction to Physical Therapy*, ed. Elsevier Health, 2011

Manuals

Periodicals

Software

### **Equipment/Facilities**

Level III classroom

**Reviewer**

**Faculty Preparer:**

**Action**

**Date**

*Jul 28,*

*Patricia Hill*

**Department Chair/Area Director:**  
*Connie Foster*

**Dean:** *Martha Showalter*

**Vice President for Instruction:** *Stuart  
Blacklaw*

*Faculty Preparer*

*Recommend Approval*

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*Approve*

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