

Tennessee State University
Doctor of Physical Therapy Program
Admissions Requirements

- GRE** - No minimum - Recommended 150/150
- Prerequisite GPA** - complete prerequisite calculation chart - link provided on PTCAS Application
- minimum 3.0
- Overall GPA** - minimum 3.0
- CASPER Assessment** - pre-interview - Casper is an online, open-response situational judgment test (SJT). It asks what you would do in a tough situation, and more importantly, why. This helps determine behavioral tendencies of applicants pursuing people-centered professions.
- Reference** (scores) - one PT and one other - no family members or politicians
Make sure your references complete the Scoring section, not just a letter of recommendation

REQUIRED Prerequisites

- I. **Anatomy/Physiology – an anatomy course WITH dissection is preferred**
 - One course in anatomy with Lab **AND** One course in physiology with Lab or
 - A two-course sequence in Anatomy and Physiology I and II with lab
- II. **Biological Sciences**: Two courses in biological sciences (not botany) with Lab– must be equivalent course level as General Biology I and II, or above
- III. **Chemistry**: Two courses in general chemistry with Lab - must be equivalent course level as General Chemistry I and II or above
- IV. **Physics**: Two courses in general physics with Lab - must be equivalent course level as General Physics I and II or above. Non-calculus Physics recommended.
- V. **Psychology**: One course in psychology – must be offered through Psychology Department/have a PSYCH prefix in course title.
- VI. **Research**: One course in statistics – any introductory level of statistics and research methodology

It is Recommended that you take the following courses:

1. Anatomy with dissection and/or a focus on Neuro-Musculo-Skeletal systems.
2. Higher level physiology/biology/anatomy courses (with dissection)
3. Medical Terminology

40 TOTAL hours of observation in TWO different Physical Therapy Settings (PT Tech hours are accepted)