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PRE-PHYSICAL THERAPY			
<p><b>Pre-Physical Therapy</b> Prep is a listing of requisite courses and recommendations needed to be eligible for admission into CU School of Medicine’s Physical Therapy program. It is <b>not</b> a major or minor. Other schools may have different requirements so students should check admissions requirements for all schools to which they plan on applying. <i>Many courses have prerequisites that fall outside of this list; be sure to check the catalog for course details.</i></p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Chemistry and Physics requisite course credits earned by testing (AP, IB, CLEP) should be replaced with upper-division work in the same department. All Biology and Chemistry courses must be completed prior to application.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Completion of requisite coursework does not guarantee acceptance into any professional degree.</p>	<b>Requisite Courses</b>		
	CHEM 1401/1402*	General Chemistry I and Lab	5
	CHEM 1411/1412*	General Chemistry II and Lab	5
	PES 1010/1150 & 1020/2150 *	Physics for Life Sciences I & II/Lab	5
	<b>OR</b> PES 1110/1160 & 1120/2160*	General Physics I & II/Lab	5
	BIOL 4350*	Human Anatomy	4
	BIOL 4360*	Human Physiology	4
	MATH 1350*	Calculus I	4
	Statistics (3 hours)*	BIOL 3000, HSCI 2060, or PSY 2100	3
	3000+ level*	3000+ level science course in biology, chemistry, physics, exercise science or biomechanics	3
	Observation Hours	<i>15 hours each of observation in Inpatient, Outpatient, and an Additional Professional Setting</i>	N/A
	ENGL 1310	Rhetoric & Writing I	3
	PSY 3280	Abnormal Psychology	3
	PSY 3620	Developmental Psychology	3
	<b>Strongly Recommended, but not Required</b>		
CHEM 3001 or 3101	Organic Chemistry	3	
BIOL 3300	Exercise Physiology	3	
* Courses must have been taken within 5 years of application.			

Pre-Physical Therapy preparation offered at UCCS prepares students for candidacy into professional programs offered at other facilities. A college program leading to a bachelor's degree is considered by the faculty and the CU School of Medicine's Committee on Admissions to offer the best preparation for a student interested in the Doctor of Physical Therapy. Students in the pre-physical therapy program are advised to choose a major and should plan to graduate with a Bachelor’s degree from UCCS.

Application for the Physical Therapy program at the CU School of Medicine is available through the Physical Therapy Centralized Application Service (PTCAS). The application cycle for PTCAS begins in July. The Graduate Records Exam (GRE) is required for admission. The admissions committee assesses each applicant's credentials and makes interview selections after the deadline. Selection for interviews is by invitation only and interviews are scheduled at the end of January for the following academic year.

**Additional Resources for Pre-Physical Therapy Students:**

- Join UCCS’s Pre-Health Society, an organization to collaborate and bring together students interested in pursuing careers in health care, by visiting [orgsync.com/72377/chapter](http://orgsync.com/72377/chapter)
- The American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) has many in depth resources available to prospective students: [www.apta.org/Careers](http://www.apta.org/Careers).
- For more information about **the CU School of Medicine’s Physical Therapy Program**, requirements for admissions, and contact information, please visit: [www.ucdenver.edu/academics/colleges/medicalschoo/education/degree\\_programs/pt/Pages/PT.aspx](http://www.ucdenver.edu/academics/colleges/medicalschoo/education/degree_programs/pt/Pages/PT.aspx)