Are interviews a required part of the application process?

Formal interviews may be required as part of the admissions process.

When is the application deadline?

Only one annual application cycle with a Summer Session start date is offered for the DPT Program. The application deadline for entering the program in the Summer of 2018 is October 1, 2017. Please keep in mind, that all of your materials, (transcripts, letters of recommendation, etc) must be received by PTCAS before the above deadline. Students must also apply to the Graduate School.

When does the DPT Program begin?

Classes typically begin in late May/early June of each year.

How long is the DPT Program?

Students complete the DPT Program in 3 years.

Does the DPT Program give priority or apply different tuition rates to in-state applications?

Applicants who are Indiana residents are given priority and are eligible for in-state tuition rates. Please refer to the “Tuition and Fees” section for more information.

Is volunteer or work experience in physical therapy required in order to apply?

A minimum of 60 observation hours is required to apply; however, substantial clinical experience is highly recommended. The prior experience can be either voluntary or paid (i.e., physical therapy aide), and is intended to expose the applicant to the profession of physical therapy and affirm their desire to pursue a career in the field.
What is the minimum Graduate Record Examination (GRE) score for admission?

The minimum combined Verbal and Quantitative GRE score is 290. GRE scores older than 5 years are not accepted.

Do all the prerequisite courses need to be completed before applying?

Applicants may have a maximum of 8 credits of prerequisites remaining by the application deadline (October 1). The remaining prerequisites must be completed prior to the start of the program.

Do all prerequisite courses in anatomy, physiology, biology, chemistry and physics need to have a laboratory component?

Yes. As an FYI, all labs must be taken in person/on campus, as online labs will not be accepted. Only courses designed for science majors are accepted.

Do you accept Advanced Placement (AP) credits and pass/no pass grades in lieu of college-level courses or a letter grade to fulfill science prerequisites?

No. All courses must have received a letter grade to fulfill prerequisite requirements.

Can I take prerequisite courses at a community college?

Yes, courses taken at an accredited community college are acceptable.

Are international students accepted?

Yes, however, the B.S. degree and all prerequisite courses must be awarded from a U.S. accredited college or university. The TOEFL may be required.

What is the minimum GPA for successful completion of the DPT program?

In order to successfully complete and receive a DPT degree from Indiana State University, a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 is required.

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