A.S. Physical Therapist Assistant

Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA) provides a unique form of medical treatment, where science and art become one, and patients are given individualized care. PTA is deeply rooted in scientific knowledge and theory. But, it is the personal interactions with patients, family members, and other health care providers that require creativity and flexibility on the therapist's part. PTAs work in diverse settings which include hospitals, private PT practices, community health agencies, schools, pediatric facilities, nursing homes, industrial or corporate health facilities and rehabilitation centers. It is the diversity that makes the field of physical therapy interesting and enticing for many students. Program graduates are eligible to take the national examination to become licensed PTAs.

PTA PROGRAM PREREQUISITES:

Completion of ENG 020 and ENG 060, if applicable
Completion of MAT 029 or MAT 029C (Math 800 series) or MAT 136, if applicable
Completion within 5 years of current application:
- College level Biology or Anatomy and Physiology with a "C" or better or
- Completion of a high school biology course with a "C" or better that qualifies the student for BIO 201
Graduation form highschool with an average of "B" (80%) or ranked in the upper third of graduating class OR
Completion of a minimum of 10 credits of college-level PTA support courses with a grade of C or better
Completion of 20 hours of documented clinical observation in a physical therapy setting

This is a suggestion for completing the program in two years. The actual time may vary according to each students individual needs.

Student: ________________________________
Advisor: ________________________________

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