

PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTING, ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

Curriculum Code #2411

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Division of Health and Wellness Sciences (<http://catalog.lorainccc.edu/academic-programs/allied-health-nursing-health-physical-education-recreation/>)

The physical therapist assistant program at LCCC prepares physical therapist assistants to perform selected physical therapy procedures professionally and competently, under the direction and supervision of the physical therapist and within their contemporary scope of practice. The program promotes academic excellence, lifelong learning, and encourages the personal and professional growth of students, graduates, faculty and community to meet the needs of stakeholders. Lorain County Community College has articulation agreements with colleges and universities including programs offered by Lorain County Community College's University Partnership.

First Year

Fall Semester		Hours
BIOG 221	ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY I ¹	4
ENGL 161	COLLEGE COMPOSITION I	3
PTHA 105	FOUNDATIONS OF PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTING ^{1,2}	2
PTHA 111	INTRODUCTION TO PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTING ^{1,2}	2
PTHA 121	PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTING PROCEDURES I ^{1,2}	5
SDEV 101	INTRODUCTION TO THE LCCC COMMUNITY ³	1
Hours		17

Spring Semester		Hours
BIOG 222	ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY II ^{1,2}	4
MTHM 168	STATISTICS	3
PTHA 112	FUNCTIONAL ANATOMY AND KINESIOLOGY ^{1,2}	4
PTHA 122	PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTING PROCEDURES II ^{1,2}	5
Hours		16

Summer Semester		Hours
ALHN 121	GENERAL PATHOLOGY ²	2
PSYH 151	INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY	3
PTHA 241	CLINICAL PRACTICUM I ^{1,2,4}	3
Hours		8

Second Year

Fall Semester		Hours
PSYH 251	HUMAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT ²	3
PTHA 221	REHABILITATION PRINCIPLES I ^{1,2}	3
PTHA 242	CLINICAL PRACTICUM II ^{1,2,4}	3

SOCY 151G	INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY	3
Hours		12
Spring Semester		
PTHA 222	REHABILITATION PRINCIPLES II ^{1,2}	4
PTHA 243	CLINICAL PRACTICUM III ^{1,2,4}	5
PTHA 245	ADVANCED TOPICS AND CLINICAL CRITIQUE ^{1,2}	3
Hours		12
Total Hours		65

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Indicates that a grade of C (2.0) or better must be earned in order to continue in the sequence.

2

Indicates that this course has a prerequisite.

3

A student must register for the orientation course when enrolling for more than six credit hours per semester or any course that would result in an accumulation of 13 or more credit hours.

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Indicates that this course incorporates experiential learning components.

American Heart Association Healthcare Provider certification is required upon entrance into the program.

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For information about admissions, enrollment, transfer, graduation and other general questions, please contact your advising team (<https://www.lorainccc.edu/admissions-and-enrollment/advising-and-counseling/>).

More program information can be found on our website. (<https://www.lorainccc.edu/health/physical-therapist-assistant-2/>)

Admission Requirements for Physical Therapist Assisting

1. Official high school or GED and college/program transcripts (if applicable) on file in the LCCC Records office.
2. Minimum high school GPA of 3.0 if 15 credit hours of college-level work have not been completed or a minimum GPA of 2.5 or higher if 15 credit hours of college-level program supporting coursework have been completed (includes transfer/transient work).
3. High school biology or college-level biology course (including lab) with a grade of C or better.
4. One year of high school or college-level algebra with a grade of C or better.
5. Program application form on file by September 5 in the fall semester in order to be considered for the next class. A student not offered admission into program for the fall semester must submit a new physical therapist assisting program application.

Please note: Selection for program entry is competitive and based on a combination of factors including grade point average, interview, completion of volunteer/observation hours, observation of professional behaviors, recommendations from the clinical site, a self-narrative and completion of program supporting non-technical courses. Only selected candidates (initially based on support coursework completed and GPA) will be asked to interview and submit a narrative form, along with volunteer-hour documentation. The physical therapist assisting program provides the forms after the initial selection process occurs.

Learn more about Allied Health program requirements (<http://catalog.lorainccc.edu/academic-information/allied-health-nursing-admissions/>)

Credit for Prior Learning (PLA) options may be available for your program. For more information, please visit our website: www.lorainccc.edu/PLA (<http://www.lorainccc.edu/PLA/>)

Program Learning Outcomes

Students/Graduates

1. Students/Graduates will competently provide high quality data collection and intervention skills based on the PT plan of care.
2. Students/Graduates will practice legally, ethically and safely within their scope of practice under the direction and supervision of the PT.
3. Students/Graduates will demonstrate professional behaviors consistent with the core value documents of the profession.
4. Students/Graduates will demonstrate evidence of participation in lifelong learning and activities that promote professional growth.

Program

1. The program will provide opportunities for personal and professional growth of students, faculty and the community.
2. The program will provide students with a quality education in contemporary physical therapy techniques, practicing in a competent and professional manner.
3. The program supports the college mission through a commitment to an affordable, quality, career-oriented education.