PRE-PHYSICAL THERAPY

Pre-Physical Therapy preparation is a three- or four-year course of study leading to graduate study in Physical Therapy at Sacred Heart University. Pre-Physical Therapy preparation can be done using any undergraduate major, but can only be accomplished in three years if a major in Biology, Exercise Science, or Psychology is selected. Students should declare their undergraduate major no later than the end of the Freshman year. Regardless of undergraduate major, students must successfully complete the physical therapy prerequisite coursework described below. Only grades of C or better will be considered as prerequisites.

The professional phase of the graduate Physical Therapy is an additional three years. Application to the professional phase occurs at the end of the Pre-Physical Therapy preparation and the undergraduate major. For details, see the graduate admissions process. Admission to the professional phase is on a competitive basis.

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Requirements

The Pre-Physical Therapy preparation provides the necessary prerequisites for the Doctor of Physical Therapy program. Students also complete required undergraduate coursework for their selected major, and required and elective core courses required by the University for a Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts degree.

REQUIRED PHYSICAL THERAPY PREREQUISITE COURSES

BI 111/BI 112 Concepts in Biology I/Concepts in Biology II
BI 113/BI 114 Concepts in Biology I Laboratory/Concepts in Biology II Laboratory
BI 131/BI 133 Human Anatomy and Physiology I and Laboratory
BI 132/BI 134 Human Anatomy and Physiology II and Laboratory
CH 151/CH 152 General Chemistry I/General Chemistry II
CH 153/CH 154 General Chemistry Laboratory I/General Chemistry Laboratory II
MA 131 Statistics for Decision Making
MA 140 Precalculus
PY 111/PY 112 General Physics I/General Physics II (non-calculus based) and Laboratories

Psychology (two courses)