

Physical Therapist Assistant Application Process

Website: <http://www.austincc.edu/health/ptha>

ACC Health Sciences Admissions Office: 512-223-5700 or toll free (888) 626-1697

It is your responsibility to check your Program website for any changes/updates in requirements.

Admission to the College

- Gain admission to Austin Community College: follow the instructions/process at <http://www.austincc.edu>
Visit a campus advisor or counselor to determine need for ACC assessment testing.
- Physical Therapy Assistant requires that the TSI status be complete or exempt.
NOTE: Admission to Austin Community College **does not** guarantee admission to the PTA Program.

START IMMUNIZATIONS NOW!

Applying to the Program

- Review the PTA website and complete a mandatory Information Session: <http://www.austincc.edu/health/ptha>
To attend in person, contact 512-223-5935.
- Complete the program required immunizations. See <http://www.austincc.edu/health> for information and form. **The application will not be accepted without a copy of the completed immunization record.**
 - Please note that this program will allow you to submit the application with the first two of the Hepatitis B series of three shots completed and the third completed before the end of the provisional first semester. All the other immunizations listed must be completed at the time of the application deadline.
- Complete prerequisite courses.
 - BIOL 2304/2101 must be completed within 7 years of application deadline or must be repeated.
 - It is recommended by the Department that you complete BIOL 2305/2102 prior to entry or at the latest, the fall semester of the program.
 - Courses must meet minimum GPA of 2.8 in prerequisites and co-requisites.
 - A granted petition is required to register for PTHA 1409. Send an email to Terry Johnson-Growden, tjohnso5@austincc.edu with name, student ID, email address and phone number.
- Complete a minimum of 40 hours of volunteer experience within the last 2 years.
 - PT aides or technicians may count employment.
 - Log form is available on PTA website.
 - Two licensed physical therapy personnel must document this experience on two work skills assessment forms provided on the PTA website.
 - Submit 1 additional work skills assessment form from an individual who has experience with the applicant (employer, instructor or supervisor).
- Complete a HOBET exam
 - Test must be within 2 years of application deadline.
 - Call 512-223-7769 at Highland Business Center to schedule.
- Submit PTA application by May 18 with:
 - Essay and Applicant Data Record (Both are part of application)
 - Technical Standards Form found on PTA website
 - Immunization Documentation
 - HOBET exam results
 - Official transcripts of all previous college education, other than ACC
 - Volunteer Log
 - Three work skills assessment forms

Selection into the Program:

Academic GPA (40%)

HOBET exam scores (40%)

Essay (15%)

Work skills assessment scores (5%)

Bonus points are given for completion of any co-requisites.

Please note that to be compliant with clinical facility requirements, a mandatory **criminal background check** will be required prior to admission to the PTA Program. **Do not do this until instructed by the program.**

Applications may be obtained/submitted to PTA Department Office

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