**Curriculum**

The Department of Physical Therapy at New York Medical College (NYMC) offers a three-year, full-time Doctor of Physical Therapy (D.P.T.) degree designed to prepare highly accomplished, compassionate physical therapists to practice in a variety of clinical settings. NYMC physical therapy graduates are well prepared to prosper in today's rapidly evolving healthcare environment.

The D.P.T. curriculum is exceptionally interactive and delivered via lectures and laboratories, problem-based learning and clinical experiences led by faculty from the Department of Physical Therapy and other departments in the School of Health Sciences and Practice, the School of Medicine and the Graduate School of Basic Medical Sciences.

Together, our esteemed faculty help our physical therapy students:

- build a strong foundation in basic sciences in a clinical environment that integrates the art and science of physical therapy practice
- develop expertise in patient examination, diagnosis, prognosis and intervention

**Focus on Problem-Based Learning (PBL)**

- Small group tutorial sessions with faculty facilitators
- Carefully designed clinical cases to create a clinical context for critical thinking
- Interactive laboratory sessions promote the mastery of hands-on clinical skills
- Specialized expert presentations

**Clinical Affiliations**

Participating in four full-time clinical rotations, totaling more than nine months of clinical education, students are trained in a wide variety of health care settings locally and across the country including:

- acute care hospitals
- pediatric facilities
- outpatient and sports medicine clinics
- military and veteran hospitals
- rehabilitation hospitals
- reservation and rural area hospitals
- nursing homes

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

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**Location**

New York Medical College is located on a 54-acre suburban campus in Valhalla, New York, 15 miles north of New York City. The College is easily accessible by highway and is seven miles from the Tappan Zee/Governor Mario M. Cuomo Bridge. Frequent rail and bus service is available. Directions are available at www.nymc.edu/directions.

**About Us**

Founded in 1860, New York Medical College (NYMC) is one of the nation’s largest private health sciences colleges. A member of the Touro College and University System, NYMC is located in Westchester County, New York, and offers degrees from the School of Medicine, the Graduate School of Basic Medical Sciences and the School of Health Sciences and Practice, as well as a school of dental medicine and a school of nursing. NYMC provides a wide variety of clinical training opportunities for students, residents and practitioners. The College has a strong history of involvement in the social and environmental determinants of health and disease and a special concern for the underserved.
What makes the D.P.T. program at NYMC unique?

1. Curriculum includes anatomy dissection classes taught by faculty in the NYMC School of Medicine's 24-hour, spacious, state-of-the-art, gross anatomy lab.
2. Innovative model of Problem-Based Learning (PBL)
3. 99%-100% passing rate for the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE)
4. Small classes and 2:1 student-teacher ratio
5. Personalized education that matches clinical environment, community service and doctoral projects to individual student preference
6. D.P.T./M.P.H. dual degree option - one of the first and few offered in the United States
7. Interprofessional education taught by faculty from the School of Medicine and the Graduate School of Basic Medical Sciences, in addition to the School of Health Sciences and Practice
8. Local and national clinical education sites
9. Experienced and responsive financial aid office
10. Beautiful suburban campus convenient to New York City, Connecticut and New Jersey

Admissions Requirements

- Bachelor's degree
- Official transcripts* of all post-secondary schools attended that includes a balance of coursework in the humanities, social and natural sciences
- Statement of purpose indicating applicant's career and professional goals
- Resume or curriculum vitae (CV)
- Three recommendations
- Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores
- 50 hours of volunteer or work experience under the direction of a physical therapist

*Students with international credentials must submit TOEFL/IELTS scores and educational evaluations. Admission and other information for international students is available at www.nymc.edu/shsp.

Prerequisites

- One course in biology with laboratory
- Two courses in anatomy and physiology with laboratories
- Two courses of chemistry with laboratories
- Two courses in physics with laboratories
- One course of general/ introductory psychology
- Second course in psychology (higher level course preferred)
- One course in mathematics
- One course in statistics

Application

The application deadline is January 15.

Classes begin in June and the application is available through the Physical Therapy Centralized Application System (PTCAS) at www.ptcas.org during the summer of the previous year.

Apply now at www.ptcas.org

Additional Scholarships and Grant Opportunities

Each year, several NYMC D.P.T. students receive additional scholarships and grants resulting from their doctoral and applied practical experience projects.

Public Health Connection

Our students get a unique public health perspective through service-based activities, a community service project and opportunities to focus on doctoral projects on public health issues as they apply to physical therapy.

D.P.T./M.P.H. Dual Degree

Beyond simply treating people with injuries or disease, contemporary physical therapy involves promoting healthy lifestyles and environments, and preventing and detecting health problems at the earliest stages. NYMC offers D.P.T. students the option of enhancing their education with a Master of Public Health (M.P.H.) degree in the spring of their first year. The M.P.H. is designed for individuals interested in a career focused on promoting health and preventing illness and disease. With this dual degree, students can address issues such as adolescent obesity, early intervention, women's health issues, workplace injury prevention, training and conditioning, preventing falls in the elderly and more.

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