

Associate of Applied Science in Physical Therapist Assistant

Sample Plan

The academic plan below is one pathway through the degree/certificate. It includes all requirements, taking into account recommendations from program faculty. Each student's plan may vary according to their initial course placement (<http://catalog.uaa.alaska.edu/academicpoliciesprocesses/academicstandardsregulations/courseplacement/>), intended course load, additional majors and/or minors, and their placement into required prerequisite courses. Any change in the plan below can have an unforeseen impact on the rest of the plan. **Therefore, it is very important to meet with your academic advisor to verify your personal academic plan.**

Please review the following terms, definitions, and resources associated with the sample academic plan below.

- Each course in the far left column links to a pop-up bubble with a course description, prerequisite requirements, and associations with university requirements. For example, if a course fulfills a general education requirement, you will see that in the pop-up bubble.
- **GER:** indicates a General Education Requirement (<http://catalog.uaa.alaska.edu/undergraduateprograms/baccalaureaterequirements/gers/>). GERs that also count toward degree/certificate requirements appear as a specific course in the plan. For these courses, "GER" is not indicated explicitly in the table, but if you click on the course, you will see the course's GER status in the pop-up bubble.
- **Program Elective:** indicates a specific course selection determined by program faculty to fulfill a degree/certificate requirement. Students should seek assistance from their academic advisor.
- **Elective:** indicates an open selection of 100-400 level university courses to fulfill elective credits needed to meet the minimum total credits toward the degree/certificate.
- **Upper Division Program Elective:** indicates a specific 300-400 level course selection determined by the program faculty to fulfill a degree/certificate requirement. Students should seek assistance from their academic advisor.
- **Upper Division Elective:** indicates an open selection of 300-400 level courses to fulfill elective credits needed to meet the minimum total credits toward the degree/certificate. These courses must be upper division in order to meet General University Requirements for the particular degree/certificate type.

First Year

Fall		Credits
BIOL A111 & A111L	Human Anatomy and Physiology I and Human Anatomy and Physiology I Lab ¹	4
MA A101	Medical Terminology ¹	3

MATH A105	Intermediate Algebra ¹	4
PSY A111 or PSY A150	Introduction to Psychology ¹ or Lifespan Development	3
WRTG A111	Writing Across Contexts ¹	3
Credits		17

Spring

BIOL A112 & A112L	Human Anatomy and Physiology II and Human Anatomy and Physiology II Lab	4
COMM A111 or COMM A235	Fundamentals of Oral Communication or Small Group Communication	3
MA A104	Essentials of Human Disease	3
GER Written Communication Skills		3
Credits		13

Second Year

Spring

PTA A102	Physical Therapy in Health Care	3
PTA A105	Tests and Measures	3
PTA A110	Kinesiology and Biomechanics	3
PTA A120	Rehabilitation I	3
PTA A130	Physical Therapy Interventions I	4
Credits		16

Summer

PTA A195	Clinical Practicum I	1
PTA A210	Therapeutic Exercise	4
PTA A220	Rehabilitation II	3
PTA A230	Physical Therapy Interventions II	4
PTA A250	Neurological Interventions Across the Lifespan	3
Credits		15

Third Year

Fall

PTA A292	Physical Therapist Assistant Seminar	2
PTA A295A	Clinical Practicum II	5
PTA A295B	Clinical Practicum III	5
Credits		12
Total Credits		73

¹ Please note that the PTA program starts each year in January. So while the first year is listed as Fall-Spring, the courses can also be completed in any two semesters preceding the start of the program.