



Allied Health

Pre-Physical Therapy

2

Years

TO DEGREE

29%

JOB GROWTH

Physical Therapists

21,000+

PHYSICAL THERAPISTS

Working in California

41.8%

WORK IN

Outpatient Care Centers

Program Overview

Physical therapists help people overcome injury, improve mobility, increase strength, and manage physical issues to maintain long-term health. The Pre-Physical Therapy program provides a solid foundation for further study, with a required core of courses covering human anatomy, chemistry, physics, and psychology. Graduates are prepared to transfer to a four-year university for completion of undergraduate work en route to a DPT degree.

Job Outlook

Rising life expectancy, an aging population, and the popularity of recreational sports for adults and youth add up to a growing need for physical therapists to help heal injuries and maintain quality of life. Physical therapy jobs are forecast to grow 29% through 2026. While years of study are required to obtain bachelors' and medical degrees and accreditation, MPC graduates can immediately gain practical experience as physical therapy assistants, who are also in high demand.

CAREERS

Physical Therapist Aides

\$23,680 - \$41,150

*Recreational Therapists

\$40,350 - \$97,580

Physical Therapy Assistants

\$47,890 - \$91,940

*Physical Therapists

\$66,880 - \$133,620

*Sports Medicine Physicians

\$80,010 - \$208,000+

* Requires additional training
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics (CA data)



The University of Southern California's top-ranked physical therapy program offers a hybrid option that includes online coursework, on-campus immersive experiences, and clinical training wherever students call home.



Pre-Physical Therapy

Suggested Course Sequence

Associate in
Science Degree
MPC GE Pattern

YEAR
1
Total Units:
30

FALL		SPRING	
	Units		Units
ENGL 1A	3	ENGL 2	3
LIBR 50	1	CHEM 1B	5
MATH 16	4	PSYC 1	3
CHEM 1A	5	Area D	3
Area C2	3	US-2 & 3 rec.	
US-1 rec.			
Total Fall Units	16	Total Spring Units	14

YEAR
2
Total Units:
32

FALL		SPRING	
	Units		Units
Area A1	3	PHSO 1	3
ANAT 1	2	PHSO 2	2
ANAT 2	2	PHYS 2B	4
PHYS 2A	4	Area C1 or C2	3
Area C1	3	Area D	3
Area D	3	SOCI 1 rec.	
PSYC 25 rec.			
Total Fall Units	17	Total Spring Units	15

This is a suggested sequence of coursework and is one pathway for students to earn their degree/certificate. This is not an official educational plan. A counselor is able to assist you with creating a personalized education plan based on your academic, career, and personal goals. For more information about counseling and up-to-date program requirements, please visit www.mpc.edu/counseling.



After finishing my bachelor's degree, I experienced some gap years before settling on a master's program. Fortunately, MPC's Anatomy program was an incredibly useful refresher. Because of this program, I feel confident in applying these concepts and working with patients towards advancements in medicine.

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