



Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine, Master of Science in Physical Therapy Tip Sheet 2022

PROGRAM DETAILS

The Master of Science in Physical Therapy (MScPT) program at the University of Alberta is one of 15 physical therapy programs in Canada (10 English, 5 French). It is an accredited, graduate, professional, entry-level physical therapy (PT) program, and is one of the largest in Canada with approximately 110 students admitted per year. It is a year-round, full-time program and can be completed within 30 months of study. All Canadian entry-level PT programs graduate physiotherapy generalists and are not programs of specialization. National entry-level competencies must be acquired in all practice areas (musculoskeletal, cardiorespiratory, neurology, oncology, pediatrics, etc.) by the end of the program.

Quota

110 Students. Preference will be given to residents of Alberta. A minimum of 15% of the available seats will be offered to out-of-province and international applicants.

PRE-PROFESSIONAL COURSE AND ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

Minimum GPA of 3.0 on the University of Alberta 4-point grading system or an equivalent standing from another recognized institution is required, but a GPA of >3.6 for Alberta applicants and >3.9 for out of province applicants on the most recent sixty applicable units of study is recommended for a competitive application.

Please note: meeting the minimum standards does not guarantee admission.

Completion of a 4 year, 120 unit (or equivalent) baccalaureate degree from an accredited post-secondary institution and prerequisite courses is required.

Prerequisite courses:

- English (3 units)
- Statistics (3 units)
- Human Psychology (3 units)
- Humanities/Social Sciences (3 units)
- Human Anatomy (3 units) - must be completed within five years of application
- Human Physiology (6 units)



- Human Movement (3 units)
- Canadian Indigenous History (3 units or completions of the [Indigenous Canada MOOC certificate](#))

Please see the [Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine website](#) for details regarding specific courses.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

1. English language Requirements: Applicants must meet English requirements as specified in the University of Alberta Calendar including English Language Proficiency. Minimum English Language Proficiency scores can be found on the MScPT website.
2. Volunteer/Work Requirements: A minimum of 30 hours of volunteer or paid experience with individuals who have cognitive or physical disabilities at no more than two facilities. The volunteer/paid experience should be completed within the last two years upon application to the program. Applicants are required to submit a Verification of Work Experience form from the primary work supervisor verifying the volunteer/paid work experience.
3. Multiple Mini Interview (Virtual)
4. Proof of Alberta Residency Status may be required Departmental Supplementary Application

Selection Process

1. Interview Process: Applicants who meet all the application requirements will be ranked for an interview (MMI) based on their GPA in the most recent 60 applicable units taken prior to January of the admission year. The top 30% (approximate) will be offered a virtual interview. During the interview, invited applicants will move through a total of 6-8 stations. A different interviewer will be at each of the stations, therefore an applicant has the opportunity to share his/her experiences and thoughts with a variety of individuals. The length of the entire interview is approximately 1 hour. Please visit the MScPt [website](#) for specific information regarding the MMI process.
2. Admission Formula: GPA, MMI interview score, and your anatomy grade are used to determine the overall ranking of applicants. The combined scores are ranked and applicants are considered for admission based on composite scores.

IMPORTANT DATES

Application Deadline for International Students: January 15

Application Deadline for Domestic Students: February 1

FAQ

For Frequently Asked Questions, please check the [website](#).