Physical Therapist Assistant - Application Checklist

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- ☐ My official TCL admission application is on file
  Note - It is necessary to reapply if you have not attended classes at TCL for >1 year

- ☐ I have verified that official transcripts from high school (or GED) and all colleges previously attended have been received by TCL.
  Note – It is the student's responsibility to follow-up with Student Records for transfer of credits

- ☐ I am eligible to take MAT 120 and BIO 210 - ***required prior to program application***

- ☐ My biophysical science course credits and mathematics course credits were completed within five years of application

- ☐ I have met with my Health Sciences advisor or attended a Health Sciences Information Session prior to application submission (Date _____)

- ☐ Applicants who have received two program withdrawals and/or failed program attempts may reapply to the same program or apply to another Health Science program only after completing the following requirements:
  - ☐ Meet with the previous Program Director and/or previous academic advisor to discuss academic performance, readiness for reentry, and recommendations for future success.
    - Obtain a written recommendation for reentry from the former Program Director, indicating the applicant's readiness and potential for success in the program. This is at the discretion of the Program Director and Dean of Health Sciences.
  - ☐ Submit a Letter of Intent explaining the circumstances that led to the withdrawals and/or failures, the changes that have been made to address those issues, and how the applicant plans to be successful upon reentry.

Application Requirements

- ☐ **Pathway 1** - Students who do not need increased requirements under Pathway 2 or 3
  - ☐ I have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher from the last college where 12 or more semester hours were completed
  - ☐ I have one of the following to submit*:
    - ATI TEAS 7 scores
    - ACT or SAT scores
    - GPA from a bachelor's degree

****Scoring breakdown for the above items can be found on the following pages***

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☐ **Pathway 2** - Required for applicants who have failures (D/F/WF) within the last three years in **two or more** required general education courses.*

- ☐ I have scored a 63 or higher (adjusted individual total score) on the TEAS
- ☐ I have completed all required non-PTA courses in the program of study
  Courses - BIO 210, BIO 211, ENG 101, ENG 102, MAT 120, PSY 201, approved HUM (3 Hrs)
  Note – MAT and BIO courses must have been completed within the last five years
- ☐ I have an institutional GPA of 2.75 or higher from the last college where 12 or more semester hours were completed

This requirement stands for students with a D/F/WF in two or more <u>different</u> general education courses. However, if a student has 2 or more failures (D/F/WF) in the same required general education course, the student must have a passing grade in this course prior to application.

☐ **Pathway 3** – Required for applicants who have two (D/F/W/WP/WF/WE) in Physical Therapist Assistant courses within the last five years - ***Students only have one opportunity for re-admission***

- ☐ I have scored a 66 or higher (adjusted individual total score) on the TEAS
- ☐ I have completed all required non-PTA courses in the program of study
  Courses - BIO 210, BIO 211, ENG 101, ENG 102, MAT 120, PSY 201, approved HUM (3 Hrs)
  Note – MAT and BIO courses must have been completed within the last five years
- ☐ I have an institutional GPA of 2.75 or higher from the last college where 12 or more semester hours were completed

<u>Acknowledgements</u>

I understand that if accepted into the program:

- ☐ I must maintain a TCL GPA of at least 2.25 to remain in program.
- ☐ I must attend the **entire mandatory orientation** and all required activities as stated in my acceptance letter.
- ☐ I must have access to a computer, webcam, microphone, and internet as all PTA courses have an online component.
- ☐ I must be able to attend clinical rotations at sites within a 60—mile radius of the Beaufort campus, which may include weekend and evening rotations.
- ☐ I must be eligible and able to attend all clinical sites utilized by the Physical Therapist Assistant program. **Clinical clearances are determined by the clinical facilities, not TCL.**
- ☐ I will be required to complete a drug screen and background check. If I have concerns about results that may be present on my background check, I must schedule a meeting with the Dean of Health Sciences upon receiving my acceptance letter.
- ☐ I will be required to provide updated health information and complete clinical information for various agencies at admission and throughout the program.
  <u>TCL PTA – Health FORM REQUIREMENTS</u>
- ☐ I will be required to provide documentation of valid health insurance for the duration of the program.
- ☐ I must maintain valid AHA BLS certification for the duration of the program.
- ☐ I must complete **designated** observation hours upon acceptance into the Physical Therapist Assistant Program. **Instructions will be provided at orientation.**

TCL PTA Weighted Admission Scoresheet

Instructions

This score sheet will serve as a guide, along with your application checklist, to help prepare you for your Health Sciences Program Application. Qualified applicants will be rank ordered for admission based on weighted admission score.

Student: **Student ID#:** **Semester:**

I. General Requirements:

a. Meet with a Health Sciences advisor
b. Preference is given to residents of Beaufort, Colleton, Hampton and Jasper counties. Second preference given to residents of other South Carolina counties including Chatham and Effingham and finally to applicants from other states.
c. Preference is given to those students who have not previously been admitted to the Physical Therapist Assistant Program.

II. TEAS test score:

a. Good for 3 years prior to application.
b. Only the highest score will be considered.
c. Documentation of the highest score will be required for your application

Criteria	Considerations	Scoring	Grade	Points
1. MAT 120 Probability and Statistics	Review the student's transcript to verify points.	A = 5 B = 3 C = 1 D, F, W, WF = 0 Exemption Exam (E) = 3 points		
2. BIO 210 Anatomy and Physiology	Review the student's transcript to verify points.	A = 8 B = 5 C = 3 D, F, W, WF = 0		
3. BIO 211 Anatomy and Physiology II	Review the student's transcript to verify points.	A = 8 B = 5 C = 3 D, F, W, WF = 0		
4. ENG 101 English Composition I	Review the student's transcript to verify points.	A = 5 B = 3 C = 1 D, F, W, WF = 0 Exemption Exam (E) = 3 points		
5. ENG 102 English Composition II	Review the student's transcript to verify points.	A = 5 B = 3 C = 1 D, F, W, WF = 0 Exemption Exam (E) = 3 points		
6. PSY 201 General Psychology	Review the student's transcript to verify points.	A = 5 B = 3 C = 1 D, F, W, WF = 0 Exemption Exam (E) = 3 points		
7. Approved Humanities Elective	Review the student's transcript to verify points	A = 5 B = 3 C = 1 D, F, W, WF = 0 Exemption Exam (E) = 3 points		

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8. GPA from last college where 12 or more credit hours were completed	Verify Total GPA _____	GPA Scoring 4.0 – 10 3.75 – 3.999 – 8 3.5 – 3.749 – 6 3.25 – 3.499 – 4 3.00 – 3.249 – 2 2.75 – 2.999 – 1 2.50 – 2.749 – 0		
9. ATI TEAS, ACT, SAT, or Bachelor's GPA ***Only one item can be scored on the application***	☐ ATI TEAS ☐ ACT ☐ SAT ☐ Bachelor's GPA	Scoring Breakdown provided in below chart		
10. Verified employment of ≥ 6 months in a PT setting within the last 3 years: Name of Facility _____ Contact Person _____ Telephone # _____ 2 points Email Address _____				
Total Application Score				

ATI TEAS, ACT, SAT, and Bachelor's GPA Score Breakdown

ATI TEAS Score			ACT or SAT Score				Bachelor's GPA	
90 - 100	12		ACT	SAT	Points		GPA	Points
80 – 89.9	10		33 - 36	1450-1600	12		4.0	12
73 – 79.9	8		30 - 32	1360 - 1440	10		3.75 - 3.99	10
69 – 72.9	6		27 - 29	1260 - 1350	8		3.5 - 3.74	8
67 – 68.9	4	**or**	25 – 26	1200 - 1250	6	**or**	3.25 - 3.49	6
65 – 66.9	2		23 - 24	1130 - 1190	4		3.0 - 3.24	4
63 – 64.9	1		21 - 22	1060 - 1120	2		2.75 - 2.99	2
< 62.9	0		19 - 20	990 - 1050	1		2.5 – 2.749	0
Total Points			< 19	< 990	0		**Total Points**	
			Total Points					

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