



Physical Therapist Assistant (PTHA)

This program offers training to become a licensed Physical Therapist Assistant working under the supervision of a physical therapist and assisting in implementing treatment programs according to the plan of care including training patients in exercises and functional activities, administering physical agents, and conducting other treatments. Physical therapist assistants must complete a two-year associate degree program and then pass a licensure exam. For more information on this educational program, select the corresponding link at www.kilgore.edu.

First Year

First Semester

Course		Semester Hours
BIOL 2401	Human Anatomy and Physiology I*	4
PTHA 1201	Profession of Physical Therapy	2
PTHA 1225	Communication in Healthcare	2
PTHA 1405	Basic Patient Care Skills	4
PTHA 1431	Physical Agents	4
		16

Second Semester

Course		Semester Hours
BIOL 2402	Human Anatomy and Physiology II*	4
ENGL 1301	Composition I*	3
PTHA 2509	Therapeutic Exercise	5
PTHA 1413	Functional Anatomy	4
PTHA 2301	Essentials of Data Collection	3
		19

First Summer Semester

Course		Semester Hours
PTHA 1321	Pathophysiology for the PTA	3
		3

Second Summer Semester

Course		Semester Hours
PTHA 1266	Practicum-Physical Therapist Assistant (I)	2
		2

Second Year

First Semester

Course		Semester Hours
PSYC 2314	Lifespan Growth and Development*	3
PTHA 2535	Rehabilitation Techniques	5
PTHA 2305	Neurology	3
PTHA 2531	Management of Neurological Disorders	5
		16

Second Semester

Course		Semester Hours
PTHA 2160	Clinical-Physical Therapist Assistant (I)	1
PTHA 2266	Practicum-Physical Therapist Assistant (II)	2
PTHA 2267	Practicum-Physical Therapist Assistant (III)	2

PTHA 2239	Professional Issues***	2
.....	Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3
		10
	Total Hours	66

+ Course of study identification number.

* May be taken prior to entering the Physical Therapist Assistant Program.

*** Capstone Experience.

** Biol 2404, Chem 1406, or Chem 1411 must be selected if taking Biol 2401/2402 at Kilgore College to fulfill the prerequisite requirement for this course if necessary.

Note: The KC PTA Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE). In addition to the regular college admission requirements, prospective students must submit a separate PTA application packet by the late spring/early summer deadline. All physical therapist assistant and science courses must be C or better. Anatomy and Physiology courses must be current (taken within the past seven years). **Note:** A student who completes the required courses with an overall average of C or better may receive an Associates of Applied Science degree.