CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, STANISLAUS

RECOMMENDED CURRICULUM
FOR STUDENTS INTENDING TO ENTER

SCHOOLS OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

Coursework required by most California physical therapy schools:

- BIOL 1050 General Biology I
- BIOL 1150 General Biology II
- CHEM 1100 General Chemistry I
- CHEM 1110 General Chemistry II
- PHYS 2100 Basic Physics I
- PHYS 2110 Basic Physics II
- ZOOL 2230/2232 Physiology
- ZOOL 2250 Human Anatomy and Morphology
- PSYC 2010 Introduction to Psychology
- PSYC 2030 Psychology of Adjustment

Recommended coursework:

- BIOL 3310 Cellular and Molecular Biology
- BIOL 3350 Introductory Genetics
- KINS 4400 Kinesiology
- MBIO 3010/3032 Bacteriology
- ZOOL 4280 Physiology of Human Systems
- ZOOL 3130 Vertebrate Embryology
- ZOOL 4151 Animal Histology
- CHEM 4400 Biochemistry I

Recommended concentrations in the Biological Sciences:

Concentrations in Biology Education, General Biology, Molecular & Microbial Biology, or Organismal Biology can help fulfill these required courses and most of the recommended courses while progressing toward a bachelor’s degree.

Required examination: Graduate Record Exam (GRE)

Additional Requirements:

In addition, a bachelor’s degree and appropriate pre-requisite courses, letters of recommendation from professors, physical therapists etc. as well as a personal statement from the applicant are typically required. Acceptance into a school may be aided by a broad range extracurricular activities, PT-related work experience, and fluency in a second language in addition to strong GPA (e.g., ≥ 3.0) and GRE scores. Interested students should investigate admission requirements of specific schools well before beginning the application process.

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