

**Mercer County Community College (MCCC)**



**Petition to Commence the Professional Phase of the Physical Therapist Assistant Program (PTAP)**

This petition will be accepted from **January 1 - February 28, 2015** for class entering in the summer of 2015. Decisions will be made by the Admissions Office and petitioners will be notified after Spring Break.

**The process for acceptance of 28 individuals into the professional phase is based upon the following:**

1. The semester of first matriculation at Mercer as a pre-PTA major. *(Those who took courses at Mercer as PTA majors in previous semesters will be accepted before those who just started taking courses at Mercer as a PTA major. If someone took courses at Mercer years ago under a different major that would not "start the clock" for them as a pre-PTA major until he or she completes a change of major form and then takes a course as a pre-PTA major.)*
2. A minimum GPA of 2.5 at Mercer County Community College. *(transfer credit does not carry a GPA, only the credit transfers)*
3. Successfully completed PTA 101 Intro to PTA and PTA 105 Kinesiology with a grade of C+ or higher
4. Successfully completed Anatomy & Physiology I and II at the same academic institution with grades of C+ or higher within 5 years of the petition date
5. Successfully completed **all of the other courses listed in the chart that need to be completed** with a grade of C or higher and if those courses were completed at another institution, making sure that official copies of the transcripts are on file in the Admissions Office at Mercer and that the time periods are still current

***Admission into the PTA program is not guaranteed for any individual.***

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Please complete this form indicating the general education and PTA preparatory courses for which credit was earned. Submit the completed form to the Division Executive Administrative Assistant in (MS 128), PTA Program Coordinator, or place it in the lockbox outside of MS 128.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone # (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

***All of the following information (and courses) must be completed to be considered eligible to Petition for the Professional Phase of the PTA Program.***

Course	Exp. &	Semester	Year	College/University <sup>+</sup>
English (ENG 101)	N/A			
English (ENG 102)	N/A			
Psychology (PSY 101)	10yr			
Mathematics Elective (MAT115, MAT140 or MAT 200)	N/A			
Anatomy & Physiology I (BIO 103)	5yr			
Anatomy & Physiology II (BIO 104)	5yr			
Intro to PTA (PTA 101)	10yr			
Kinesiology (PTA 105)	5yr			

**Key**

- & Courses will be accepted unless they fall outside of the timeframe listed above with respect to the petition date. For example Psychology must have been successfully completed within 10 years of the petition date but ENG 101 has no expiration date.
- + Official transcripts for courses taken at another college or university must be submitted to the Admissions Office for review and transfer of credit. **It is the sole responsibility of the petitioner to follow up on the receipt of transcripts by checking his or her MyMercer online portal via Mercer's website at [www.mccc.edu](http://www.mccc.edu).** Only grades of C or higher will be considered for potential transfer credit.

I affirm that I have successfully completed all of the listed courses and request consideration for acceptance into the professional phase of the Physical Therapist Assistant Program which will start in the Summer 2015 semester (*during "A Session"*).

- I understand that the petitioning process is unique for each year and does not “carry over” to another year.
- I understand that if I am not accepted into the PTA program this summer and I wish to petition in the future, I will need to submit a new petition.
- I understand that I must have **a GPA at Mercer of at least 2.5** to be eligible for the PTA program.
- I understand the Admissions Process as described on this form and that admission to the program is **not guaranteed for any student**.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Information:**

- All who petition for the PTA professional phase of the PTA program will be notified by regular mail ***after*** Spring Break regarding their status
- A temporary wait list will be maintained and those who are on that list will also be notified that they are wait-listed. Those individuals should be prepared to potentially receive a telephone call and/or email up to or including the first day of class in the first summer session. This temporary wait list will not be used in next year's petitioning process.

**Petitioning for re-admission?**

- Those who are petitioning for ***re-admission*** into the professional phase of the PTA program after a leave of absence from the **Professional Phase of the PTA program** are not guaranteed re-acceptance. He or she would earn a seat based upon availability in the semester in which he or she needs to re-start, ***and*** the successful completion of a re-entry practical examination that demonstrates competence in the skills that had previously been mastered for lab courses.
  - For fall re-entry, notifications would take place after the conclusion of the summer semester
  - For spring re-entry, notifications would take place after the conclusion of the fall semester
  - For summer re-entry, notifications would take place after the conclusion of the spring semester

The availability of a seat for re-entry into the Professional Phase of the PTA program is not guaranteed for any individual at any time.