

## NCC DPT Guarantee Admissions Requirements

The Doctor of Physical Therapy Program NCC DPT Guarantee Admissions Requirements align with the vision, mission, values, and commitment of the Program.

Vision: To impact the lived experiences of others through movement

Mission: To support learners on their journey to becoming excellent clinicians, educators,

scholars, and/or leaders dedicated to serving society as movement system experts.

Values: Integrity, Excellence, and Balance.

Commitment: The success of every learner

The Program strives to enroll students who embody these same values who the faculty believe will be successful as learners in the North Central Doctor of Physical Therapy Program environment. With the mission, vision, values, and commitment of the DPT program aligned with the mission, vision, and strategic plan of North Central College, North Central College undergraduate students and alumni are excellent candidates for the North Central College DPT Program. Thus, applicants who are students or graduates of North Central College are guaranteed admission into the North Central College DPT program should they achieve certain selective requirements. North Central College students or graduates who do not meet these requirements for guaranteed admission are still strongly encouraged to apply.

## North Central College Requirements for guaranteed admission into the North Central College DPT program:

- Be a graduate of or plan to graduate from North Central College with a minimum of 60 credits on their transcript from courses taken at North Central College.
- Completion of a full application in PTCAS, the centralized application service utilized by the program for all applications by December 1, 13 months prior to the intended matriculation (e.g. 12/1/2022 for a start date of 1/8/2024).
- A cumulative and prerequisite GPA of 3.5 or higher.
- All prerequisite course grades must be a C or higher.
- Completion of one of the following:
  - Participation in at least one sanctioned North Central College activity on campus for the majority (>50%) of semesters enrolled (e.g. sports, theatre, music, etc.), for example:
    - At least 3 seasons in a varsity sport (not including off-season activities)
    - At least 5 semesters in theater or music performance groups
    - At least 5 semesters of regular (e.g. at least once a week) participation in campus clubs
    - A combination of activities above
  - Work or volunteer a minimum of 10 hours a week for the majority (>50%) of semesters enrolled.
  - o Hold a significant leadership position on campus for a campus sanctioned organization or activity.
  - o For transfer students: activities participated in prior to transferring to North Central will be considered using the same criteria.

Content applicable to individuals who enrolled at North Central College in the Fall of 2022 or earlier.

<sup>\*</sup>Prospective students with questions about any of these requirements are encouraged to reach out to the DPT Program Director, Sara Scholtes, PT, DPT, PhD, <a href="mailto:sscholtes@noctrl.edu">sscholtes@noctrl.edu</a>.