

PTA Program Open House

WELCOME!

Attendance Form



Announcements:

1. Please sign in
 - Link to the form in chat or use QR code
 - We will use this information to keep in touch
2. This open house will be recorded.
 - Please feel free to keep your camera off if you do not wish to be recorded.

Physical Therapist Assistant Program

MALCOLM X COLLEGE

Malcolm X College: Mission Statement

- Malcolm X College, a learning and assessment-centered community college, empowering students of diverse backgrounds and abilities to achieve academic, career, and personal success.

Career as Physical Therapist Assistant



Future of Physical Therapy

- Workforce data
 - Anticipated 40% job growth throughout the next decade

Accreditation

- In the US, must graduate from an accredited PTA program to be eligible to sit for the licensure exam.
- Must be licensed to practice as a PTA.
- MXC PTA Program is fully accredited by CAPTE, the accrediting body of PT and PTA education programs.

Accreditation: CAPTE

- The Physical Therapist Assistant Program at City Colleges of Chicago - Malcolm X College is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE), 3030 Potomac Ave., Suite 100, Alexandria, Virginia 22305-3085; telephone: 800-999-2782; email: accreditation@apta.org; website: <https://www.capteonline.org>. If needing to contact the program/institution directly, please call Erin DiCapo at 312-850-7021 or email edicapo@ccc.edu.

Educational Model (1+1)

- PRE-REQUISITE COURSES (2 semesters)**
- APPLY TO THE PTA PROGRAM**
 - Application Available in the Fall semester each year (November)
 - NOTE: *The PTA Program is a Selective Admissions Program. Completion of all pre-requisite coursework DOES NOT guarantee admission to the technical phase of the program.
- TECHNICAL COURSES (3 semesters)**
 - Summer, Fall & Spring Semesters
- Graduate!**

Curriculum: Pre-requisites

- Designed to be completed in 2 semesters
 - However, adaptable to your personal situation
 - Longer if necessary
 - Shorter with transfer credit or the ability to test out of classes
 - Offer day and night sections of most courses
- Need to pass every course with a grade of "C" or higher

Curriculum: Pre-requisites

- ENG 101 (3)
- MATH 118 (4)
- BIO 116: Anatomy and Physiology (4)
- PHYSICS 131 (3)
- PSYCH 201: Intro to Psychology (3)
- ESSS 101: Personal Trainer Preparation (4)
- ESSS 102: Personal Trainer Practicum (2)
- ESSS 103: Allied Health Clinical Skills (2)
- ESSS 112: Functional Anatomy and Kinesiology (5)

Curriculum: Pre-requisites

- Transfer credit is accepted
 - OFFICIAL transcripts must be submitted to the Registrar
- Prior Learning Assessments (PLAs) available for certain courses
 - ESSS 101, 102, 112 have PLAs
 - ESSS 103 must be taken at MXC- no PLA or transfer credit available
 - PLAs must be passed with a 70% on the FIRST attempt to receive credit for the course
 - ESSS 102 has 2 parts (written and practical)
- Higher level coursework can be substituted (ex: BIO 226 & 227 can substitute for BIO 116)

Curriculum: Technical Coursework

- 12 months (3 semesters)
- Full-time, Day classes
- Summer semester start. 12 week semester.
- Fall semester: 1st 8 weeks-class. 2nd 8 weeks-clinical education experience.
- Spring semester: 1st 8 weeks-class. 2nd 8 weeks-clinical education experience.
- GRADUATE!

Who is eligible to apply? Minimum requirements

- Completed all pre-requisite coursework OR enrolled in pre-requisite coursework at time of application submission
- Complete all pre-requisite coursework with a grade of "C" or better
- Cumulative GPA 2.5

Admissions Process

The admissions process begins during the Fall semester of each year (November)

2022-2023 Admissions Cycle Dates: 11/14/22 - 2/3/23

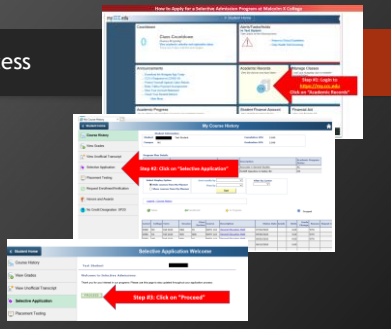
STEP 1:

- Ensure you have completed all pre-requisite requirements OR enroll in remaining pre-requisite courses once enrollment opens
- If you are using PLAs or transfer credit to complete Pre-requisite requirements, ensure this is completed.

Admissions Process

STEP 2:

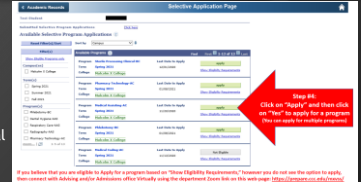
- Request the application for the PTA Program through your student portal (my.ccc.edu)



Admissions Process

STEP 2 cont'd:

- Only those who have completed or are enrolled in all pre-requisites and meet minimum GPA requirements will be eligible
- If you feel you have met all requirements, but your portal does not indicate this, FOLLOW UP!



Admissions Process

STEP 3:

- Once vetted, if eligible you will be emailed the PTA Application packet

STEP 4:

- Complete all portions of the application
 - Admissions Packet
 - Observation Hours:
 - See details on next slide
- Submit all materials by the due date (End of Jan-Early Feb)

Observation Hours

Information applies to Application Cycle 2022-2023 (Summer 2023 cohort) ONLY

*Observation Hour requirements have been modified since 2020 due to COVID-19 impact on availability of opportunities for observation

OPTIONS:

1. Traditional in person observation hours (20 hours total at 2 different locations)
2. Alternate Observation Hours (combination of TWO of the following)
 - Traditional observation hours at one facility (10-15 hours)
 - Interview of a Physical Therapist or Physical Therapist Assistant
 - Video assignment (1 Video provided by the program, 1 video located by applicant)

ALL applicants will submit a reflection assignment which is assessed as part of the admissions rubric. Instructions will be provided in the application packet.

Admissions Process

STEP 5:

- All completed applications reviewed by the MXC PTA Admissions Committee

STEP 6: Interview

- The top candidates who submit an application to the program will be invited to interview
 - Candidates notified of admissions decision in late February
 - Interviews held in early March

Admissions

STEP 7:

- Following the interview process, up to the top 30 students will be offered conditional acceptance to the program
- Other candidates will be placed on the Wait List
- Early April

STEP 8:

- Those who receive conditional acceptance must complete the following prior to the start of the summer semester (mid May)
 - Complete any remaining coursework with a "C" or better
 - Health Requirements (see next Slide)

Admissions

STEP 8 continued:

OTHER PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS- *Only required for those students offered conditional acceptance*

- Provide proof of health insurance
- Mandatory Titers:
 - Measles (Rubella)
 - Mumps
 - Rubella
 - Varicella
 - Hepatitis B Surface Antibody
- 2 step TB test OR Chest X-ray OR Quantiferon- TB Gold
- Tdap (within the last 9 years)
- Criminal Background Check *
- CPR certification- American Heart Association BLS for Health Care Provider
- Drug screening - date determined by the program
- Flu vaccination (free through Wellness Center)

Statement of Non-Discrimination

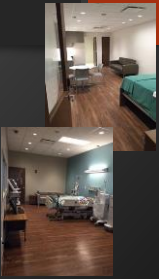
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What to expect in the PTA program

- Class 4-5 days/week, 8 AM - 6 PM
- Cooperative/team based learning environment
- Hands-on practice of skills in PTA laboratory
- Utilize virtual hospital as often as possible
- Two full-time 8wk clinicals (40hrs/wk).
 - Will need to commute to all areas of the city and suburbs
 - Will need transportation- the CTA will NOT be an option for all clinical placements.



Cost

- < 12 credit hours: **\$146.00/credit hour**
- 12 credit hours and above: **\$1752.00**

Category	Credit Courses	
	Tuition per Credit Hour (less than 12 credit hours)	Tuition (12+ credit hours)
In-District City of Chicago	\$146.00	\$1,752.00
Out-of-District	\$384.00	\$4,608.00
Out-of-State	\$481.00	\$5,772.00
International	\$481.00	\$5,772.00

Foundational Studies classes are 50% of the credit hour tuition rate.

<http://www.ccc.edu/colleges/malcolm-x/departments/pages/tuition-and-fees.aspx>

Cost

- **Other anticipated out of pocket costs**
 - \$1,400 program / professional fees (technical year)
 - \$1,000 other program books/uniforms (technical year)
- **Total (rough estimate):~\$12K for entire 2 years of program**
- **Scholarships available**
- **Financial Aide eligible**

Helpful Hints

- Stay in contact each semester with health sciences advisors & PTA program faculty
- Be proactive and accountable
- Meet with financial aid to discuss your options
- Professional communication
- Reflect often on experiences
- Strive for high achievement in pre-requisite coursework



QUESTIONS?

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Program Website



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