Physical Therapy

Admission requirements (G.P.A., G.R.E., volunteer hours, etc.) and other program-specific information can be found at the RU D.P.T. website:

www.radford.edu/pt

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Application materials via PTCAS and financial aid information can be found at the College of Graduate and Professional Studies website:

www.radford.edu/gradcollege

For financial aid inquiries, please call
540-831-5408

The University

Radford University is a diverse, comprehensive public university of nearly 10,000 students, serving the Commonwealth of Virginia and the nation through a wide range of academic, cultural, human service and research programs. The university has received national recognition for many of its undergraduate and graduate academic programs as well as its sustainability initiatives.

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Curriculum
The three-year curriculum sequence of post-bachelor’s coursework builds on a physical and social science foundation, integrating and reinforcing concepts within three full-time, 12-week clinical internships. For course listings, please refer to the program website.

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Clinical Affiliations
Clinical experiences are designed to provide students with opportunities to apply didactic learning through real-world experiences. All three internships are unpaid and full-time, each averaging 40 hours per week for 12 consecutive weeks during the 2nd and 3rd summer semesters as well as the final spring semester prior to graduation. Each clinical experience site is randomly assigned to assure diversity and exposure to patients across the lifespan in the typical entry-level positions within outpatient, acute, inpatient rehabilitation and skilled nursing homes, as well as potential specialty areas of physical therapy practice. Each rotation is supervised by an on-site clinical instructor who is a licensed physical therapist.

Overview
Radford University’s accredited Doctor of Physical Therapy (D.P.T.) program combines rigorous academic scholarship with immersive clinical training for students interested in careers as autonomous practitioners of physical therapy. With a focus on serving the needs of rural populations in the state and region, the program follows the practitioner-scholar model, emphasizing clinical training and evidence-based practice.

Financial Aid
Financial aid is available to students in a number of forms. In addition to awards based on demonstrated financial need, scholarships based on leadership, character, community service and academic achievement are offered at Radford University.

Accreditation
Radford University’s Department of Physical Therapy is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE).

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