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Accreditation

The Program in Physical Therapy at Saint Louis University is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE), 3030 Potomac Ave., Suite 100, Alexandria, Virginia 22305-3085; telephone: 703-706-3245; email: accreditation@apta.org; website: www.capteonline.org. If needing to contact the program/institution directly, please call 314-977-8505 or email sluptat@health.slu.edu.



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Vision

The Saint Louis University Program in Physical Therapy will lead the profession, serve humanity and optimize movement through transformative research, education, and clinical practice.

Mission

In the Jesuit traditions of the pursuit of truth, development of the whole person and commitment to service and justice, our transformative community of faculty, staff, and students provide reflective, person-centered care and education that is interprofessional and evidenced-based. Through scholarly and clinical endeavors, we add knowledge and insight to education and health care focused on optimizing movement.

Program Outcomes

Graduation Rate

For the Program in Physical Therapy, the graduation rate is defined as the percentage of students who began the professional phase of the program and graduated within 150% of normal curricular time (3 years).

Average graduation rate for the DPT Graduation Years 2021 and 2022: 95.5%

Employment Rate

For the Program in Physical Therapy, the employment rate is defined as the percentage of DPT graduates responding to a survey who were employed as a physical therapist within one year of graduation.

Average employment rate for the DPT Graduation Years 2020 and 2021: 100%

National Physical Therapy Examination Results

To obtain a license to practice physical therapy in the United States, a person must have a degree in physical therapy from an accredited physical therapist education program and must also pass the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE). Information regarding pass rates for accredited programs in the United States is available on the FSBPT website. These pass rates for graduates of the Saint Louis University Program in Physical Therapy are below.

| Average Program Pass Rate for DPT Graduation Years 2021 and 2022 | | Average National Pass Rate for DPT Graduation Years 2021 and 2022 | |
|--|--------------------|---|--------------------|
| First-time pass rate | Ultimate pass rate | First-time pass rate | Ultimate pass rate |
| 83.7% | 96.3% | 87.1% | 96.0% |

Doctor of Physical Therapy Program Outcomes

| Outcome | Saint Louis University Average 2020 & 2021 | National Average 2020 & 2021 | Saint Louis University Average 2021 & 2022 | National Average 2021 & 2022 |
|--|---|---------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| Graduation Rate ¹ | 94.9% | | 95.5% | |
| NPTE ² Pass Rate (First time) | 92.0% | 89.6% | 82.7% | 86.7% |
| NPTE Pass Rate (Ultimate) | 100% | 98.7% | 96.9% | 96.2% |
| Employment Rate ³ | 100% | | | |

¹For the Program in Physical Therapy, the graduation rate is defined as the percentage of student who started the professional phases of the program and graduated within 150% of the normal curricular time (three years).

²NPTE = National Physical Therapy Exam. To obtain a license to practice physical therapy in the United States, a person must have a degree in physical therapy from an accredited physical therapy program and must also pass the NPTE. Information regarding pass rates for accredited programs in the United States is available on the FSBPT website. Reported here are the pass rates for graduates of the Saint Louis University Program in Physical Therapy and National pass rates for all accredited physical therapy programs in the United States as reported by FSBPT.

³For the Program in Physical Therapy, the employment rate is defined as the percentage of DPT graduates responding to a survey who were employed as physical therapists one year after graduation.