

# PTY 504 : Introduction to the Physical Therapy Profession

This course introduces the student to the profession of physical therapy. The course explores such topics as the history of physical therapy, specialties in physical therapy, different practice settings, the role of various health professionals, collaboration, The Guide to Physical Therapist Practice, reimbursement, Core Values and professional behavior, legal and ethical issues, cultural competence, communication, the APTA, and basic skills for professional writing and presentations. An online component familiarizes the student with physical therapy documentation. Included in the course is a self-study module in which the students learn common medical terminology. This course is only open to students enrolled in the entry level DPT Program.

**Credits** 3