

# BA in Allied Health

## Physical Therapy Accelerated Pathway

### BA in Allied Health/Doctor of Physical Therapy Accelerated Pathway

The Bachelor of Arts in Allied Health/Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) Accelerated Pathway provides an opportunity for students pursuing a career in physical therapy to meet the requirements for entry into APU's DPT program after 3.5 years of undergraduate coursework. Students accepted into the DPT program begin DPT coursework in the spring semester of their fourth year, taking up to 18 units of required DPT courses that also count toward the BA in Allied Health and APU undergraduate graduation requirements. Upon completion of the spring-semester DPT courses, students are awarded the BA in Allied Health degree and continue in the DPT program.

*Participating in this accelerated pathway does not guarantee admission to APU's DPT program. Students must meet the APU DPT program's admission requirements (<http://catalog.apu.edu/academics/college-nursing-health-sciences/school-health-sciences/physical-therapy/physical-therapy-dpt/>) prior to beginning DPT coursework in the spring semester of the fourth year of the accelerated pathway.*

## Requirements

Students must meet all of the following requirements to continue as an undergraduate student in the BA in Allied Health program, continue in the BA in Allied Health/DPT Accelerated Pathway, and earn a BA in Allied Health degree. A student's failure to maintain any of these requirements will result in the student being removed from the accelerated pathway.

- The minimum unit requirement to earn an undergraduate degree at Azusa Pacific University and the BA in Allied Health degree is 120 units.
- While in the accelerated pathway, students must earn a minimum cumulative grade-point average (GPA) of 3.0 in all university coursework attempted, including all required BA in Allied Health courses. For more information about APU's undergraduate graduation requirements, visit the Graduation Requirements and Commencement page in the catalog (<http://catalog.apu.edu/policies-procedures/undergraduate/graduation-requirements-commencement/>).
- The accelerated pathway curriculum is designed with a specific course sequence. To progress through the curriculum, courses must be taken in the assigned sequence based on course prerequisites.
- For students to progress through the accelerated pathway, they must earn a grade of *B-* or higher in each required course in the pathway.
- Up to one course required for the accelerated pathway major may be repeated for a grade of *B-* or higher. Students who do not earn a *B-* or higher in the course after one repeated attempt will be removed from the accelerated pathway.
- Students removed from the accelerated pathway, including the DPT courses during spring semester, may continue in the BA in Allied Health major to finish out all APU and BA in Allied Health undergraduate degree requirements (or students can choose another major).

See the course requirements for the BA in Allied Health/DPT accelerated pathway below. For more information about the BA in Allied Health program, visit the program website (<https://www.apu.edu/clas/programs/allied-health-major/>).

In addition to meeting the coursework and graduation requirements of the BA in Allied Health program, all undergraduate students are required to meet Azusa Pacific University's General Education requirements. Students should visit the General Education section of this catalog (<http://catalog.apu.edu/academics/general-education/>) to become familiar with those requirements.

Code	Title	Units
<b>Biology</b>		
BIOL 151	General Biology I <sup>1</sup>	4
BIOL 226	Intro to Neurobiology	4
BIOL 250	Human Anatomy	4
BIOL 251	Human Physiology	4
BIOL 396	Topics in Biology and Christian Thought <sup>2</sup>	1
BIOL 465	Practicum and Topics in Allied Health <sup>3</sup>	4
BIOL 496	Writing 3: Ethics and the Sciences <sup>4</sup>	3
<b>Chemistry</b>		
CHEM 151	General Chemistry I <sup>5</sup>	4
CHEM 152	General Chemistry II <sup>6</sup>	4
<b>Math</b>		

MATH 130	Introduction to Statistics <sup>7, 8</sup>	3
<b>Physics</b>		
PHYC 155	Physics for Life Sciences I <sup>5</sup>	3
PHYC 145	Physics Laboratory I <sup>5</sup>	1
PHYC 156	Physics for Life Sciences II	3
PHYC 146	Physics Laboratory II	1
<b>Kinesiology</b>		
KIN 363	Physiology of Exercise	4
KIN 364	Kinesiology	4
<b>Psychology</b>		
PSYC 110	General Psychology <sup>9</sup>	3
PSYC 290	Human Growth and Development <sup>9</sup>	3
<b>Doctor of Physical Therapy Courses (meet BA in Allied Health requirements)</b>		
PT 701	Human Anatomy	8
PT 702	Clinical Skills I	6
PT 706	Seminar I	2
PT 707	Professional Relationships	2
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>75</b>

<sup>1</sup> Meets the General Education Natural Sciences requirement.

<sup>2</sup> BIOL 152 meets this requirement if taken at APU.

<sup>3</sup> Meets the General Education Integrative and Applied Learning requirement.

<sup>4</sup> Meets the General Education Writing 3 requirement.

<sup>5</sup> Meets the General Education Natural Sciences requirement and may be waived with an appropriate Advanced Placement test score.

<sup>6</sup> This course may be waived with an appropriate Advanced Placement test score.

<sup>7</sup> Meets the General Education Quantitative Literacy requirement.

<sup>8</sup> MATH 130 does not meet the math prerequisite for BIOL 151 or CHEM 151. MATH 95, an ALEKS score of 45, or equivalent is the math prerequisite for BIOL 151; MATH 110 (with a B-), an ALEKS score of 65, or equivalent is the math prerequisite for CHEM 151.

<sup>9</sup> Meets the General Education Social Sciences requirement.