

JOINT B.S./D.P.T DEGREE PROGRAM



Fitchburg State University & Husson University Joint B.S. / D.P.T. Degree Program Pre-Physical Therapy Track

Courses during the first three years of the program (the pre-professional undergraduate phase) are taken at Fitchburg State and satisfy the prerequisite science and general education requirements. Courses during the last three years of the program (and the professional graduate phase) are taken at Husson University and consist of professional physical therapy courses that prepare the student for clinical practice and licensure as a physical therapist.

After the successful completion of the fourth year of study and all undergraduate requirements, Physical Therapy students are awarded a Bachelor of Science degree in Exercise Science from Fitchburg State. These students then become graduate students who are awarded the Doctor of Physical Therapy degree from Husson University at the successful completion of the final two years of the program.

The benefit of this is that students finish the DPT in 6 years instead of 7, thus saving money and time. Additionally, students who receive the provisional acceptance to Husson do not need to take the GRE or go through the extended application process.

Students may apply to the Fitchburg to Husson DPT track during the spring semester of their Freshman Year.

Application requirements:

- A 3.2 cumulative GPA with an overall 3.0 GPA in core classes.
- Submission of a letter requesting admission to the track addressed to the Chair of the Exercise and Sports

Science Department at FSU. Included in the letter should be a statement on why physical therapy as a career and profession appeals to the student.

- Provide evidence of 8 hours of observation in a physical therapy clinic.

About Husson University (Bangor, ME)

The mission of Husson University's School of Physical Therapy is to develop physical therapists who are specialists in the art and science of human movement, embody the characteristics of lifelong learners, and strive to be agents of change. Graduates shall be distinguishable by their skills, ethical integrity, cultural competence, collaboration, and leadership. Graduates will use evidence-based practice to optimize human movement and promote health and wellness in a dynamic healthcare environment.

Core courses requiring a grade of 2.0 or better and overall average GPA of 3.0

- MATH1300 Precalculus
- MATH1700 Applied Statistics
- PSY1100 Introductions to Psychological Science
- BIOL1200 Anatomy and Physiology I
- BIOL 1300 Anatomy and Physiology II
- BIOL 1800 General Biology I
- CHEM1300 General Chemistry I
- CHEM1400 General Chemistry II
- PHYS 2300 General Physics I
- PHYS 2400 General Physics II



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