



Doctor of
Physical Therapy

BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY

APPLICATION REVIEW CRITERIA

	Criteria	Scoring
Academics (50 points)		
Cumulative GPA	Minimum 3.0	0-10 transformed points; each one-tenth (0.10) point increase in GPA above 3.0 translates to 2 additional points
Math/Science GPA	no minimum requirement for admissions, but points awarded for scoring	0-10 transformed points; each one-tenth (0.10) point increase in GPA above 3.0 translates to 1 additional point
Prerequisite GPA	Minimum 3.0	0-20 transformed points; each one-tenth (0.10) point increase in GPA above 3.0 translates to 2 additional points
*Last 60 hours GPA	<i>*Must be 3.5 or greater if Cumulative GPA is less than 3.0</i>	0-10 transformed points; each one-tenth (0.10) point increase in GPA above 3.0 translates to 1 additional point
Non-Academic (26 points)		
Academic Attainment (3 points total)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has a Graduate degree 	3 points
Curiosity Evidence (3 points total)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has taken 2+ Upper Division courses outside major Experience as Teaching Assistant or tutor Research Experience TRiO (McNair Scholar, Upward Bound/Talent) Study Abroad experience Honors Thesis 	3 points awarded for any of these achievements
BGSU Student or Graduate (3 points total)	BGSU student or alumni	3 points
Work Experience (4 points total)	Related healthcare experience (PTA, ATC, Physician, Chiropractor, Exercise Physiologist,	4 points (Supplemental Documentation Required)

	Strength and Conditioning Coach, Personal Trainer, Licensed or Certified healthcare professional)	
Military Experience (4 points total)	More than 2 years of active or reserve duty with honorable discharge/separation	4 points
Language Skills (3 points total)	<p>Applicant is proficient in language(s) other than English. <i>If the applicant has proficiency in multiple languages, the maximum number of points awarded is 3.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advanced proficiency (3 points) • Intermediate proficiency (2 points) • Beginner proficiency (1 point) 	3 points (Applicant self-reported proficiency level)
Community Engagement (3 points total)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More than 500 hours • 100-499 hours • 10-99 hours 	3 points 2 points 1 point
Extra-Curricular Activities (3 points total)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More than 21 hours per week • 11 to 20 hours per week • 1 to 10 hours per week 	3 points 2 points 1 point

Faculty Review (24 points total): Essays and Letters of Recommendation undergo blinded review by two members of the admissions committee. Essays and letters are graded based on the following rubrics.

PTCAS Personal Statement (maximum of 6 points)

Strength & Clarity (Can be scored on .5 points)	1	2	3	4
	<p>*Poor self-awareness of unique traits and poor understanding of the physical therapy profession and modern healthcare industry</p> <p>No specific examples provided of unique traits that will support the applicant's success. Poor understanding of the profession and modern healthcare industry.</p> <p>Clearly AI-generated.</p>	<p>*Fair self-awareness of unique traits and fair understanding of the physical therapy profession and modern healthcare industry.</p> <p><2 examples of unique traits provided. Fair understanding of the profession and the modern healthcare industry.</p> <p>Seems AI-generated or inspired.</p>	<p>*Good self-awareness of unique traits and solid understanding of the physical therapy profession and modern healthcare industry.</p> <p>2+ examples, at least one specific, unique trait and knowledge of the profession and modern healthcare industry.</p>	<p>*<u>Deep</u> self-awareness of unique traits and clear understanding of the physical therapy profession and modern healthcare industry.</p> <p>3+ specific examples of unique traits and knowledge of the profession.</p>
Mechanics	.5	1	1.5	2
	<p>Poorly constructed essays that require significant review and/or revisions.</p> <p>Contains more than 4 errors in mechanics (spelling, grammar, punctuation, formatting, capitalization).</p>	<p>Adequate undergraduate student-level essays requiring proofreading and/or revision.</p> <p>Contains 3 or 4 errors in mechanics (spelling, grammar, punctuation, formatting, capitalization).</p>	<p>Commendable graduate student-level essays.</p> <p>Contains 1 or 2 minor errors in mechanics (spelling, grammar, punctuation, formatting, capitalization).</p>	<p>Professional-quality essays.</p> <p>Contains no errors in mechanics (spelling, grammar, punctuation, formatting, capitalization).</p>

Hybrid Essay (maximum of 6 points)

Strength & Clarity (Can be scored on .5 points)	1	2	3	4
	<p>*Poor to no reflection of how learner attributes align with accelerated, hybrid learning model.</p> <p>Examples</p> <p>* applicant does not describe the BGSU's accelerated, hybrid model</p> <p>* applicant poor to no understanding of type of learner they are and how it contributes to success in program</p> <p>* applicant does not describe how personal qualities and experiences have facilitated past academic success</p> <p>* applicant does not describe examples of past success with similar learning environments</p> <p>Clearly AI-generated.</p>	<p>*Superficial reflection and difficulty aligning learner attributes with accelerated, hybrid learning model</p> <p>Examples</p> <p>* applicant mentions (without describing) the BGSU's accelerated, hybrid model</p> <p>* applicant shows fair understanding of type of learner they are and how it contributes to success in program</p> <p>* applicant describes superficial examples of how personal qualities and experiences have facilitated past academic success</p> <p>* applicant describes superficial examples of past success with similar learning environments</p> <p>Seems AI-generated or inspired.</p>	<p>*Good/compelling reflection and at least 2 examples provided of how learner attributes align with accelerated, hybrid learning model</p> <p>Examples</p> <p>* applicant generally describes the BGSU's accelerated, hybrid model</p> <p>* applicant shows some understanding of type of learner they are and how it contributes to success in program</p> <p>* applicant describes examples of how personal qualities and experiences have facilitated past academic success</p> <p>* applicant describes examples of past success with similar learning environments</p>	<p>*Deep reflection and multiple (3+) examples provided of how learner attributes align with accelerated, hybrid learning model</p> <p>Examples</p> <p>* applicant shows thorough knowledge of BGSU's accelerated, hybrid model (discusses immersion experiences, curriculum, etc)</p> <p>* applicant shows firm understanding of type of learner they are and how it contributes to success in program</p> <p>* applicant describes examples of how personal qualities and experiences have facilitated past academic success</p> <p>* applicant describes examples of past success with similar learning environments</p>
Mechanics	.5	1	1.5	2
	<p>Poorly constructed essays that require significant review and/or revisions.</p> <p>Contains more than 4 errors in mechanics (spelling, grammar,</p>	<p>Adequate undergraduate student-level essays requiring proofreading and/or revision.</p>	<p>Commendable graduate student-level essays.</p> <p>Contains 1 or 2 minor errors in mechanics (spelling, grammar, punctuation,</p>	<p>Professional-quality essays.</p> <p>Contains no errors in mechanics (spelling, grammar, punctuation, formatting, capitalization).</p>

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Letters of recommendation (3 letters of recommendation are scored by 2 reviewers. Scores are averaged for a total of 12 points total)

	1	2	3	4
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * LOR is from appropriate source. * <7 attributes are scored/observed * Provides an poor case for the applicant to be selected for admission. * Rating 'Do not Recommend' OR attribute score of <40 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * LOR is from appropriate source. * Only 7/14 attributes are scored/observed. * Provides an fair case (1+ examples) for the applicant to be selected for admission. * Rating 'Recommend with Reservation' OR attribute score of 40-50 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * LOR is from appropriate source. * At least 9/14 attributes are scored/observed. * Provides an good case (2+ examples) for the applicant to be selected for admission. * Rating 'Recommend' OR attribute score of 50-60. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * LOR is from appropriate source. * At least 11/14 attributes are scored/observed. * Provides an overwhelming case (3+ examples) for the applicant to be selected for admission. * Rating 'Highly Recommend' OR attribute score of 60-70