



# **CANDIDACY INFORMATION SHEET**

## **PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT**

### **Read your Student Handbook**

- Read Student Handbook, Admissions Guide and Course Progression at <https://www.laguardia.edu/majors/physical-therapist-Assistant/>



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### **Key Courses**

- **English Composition I** (ENG 101)\*
- **General Psychology** (SSY 101)\*
- **Human Anatomy & Physiology I** (SCB 203)\*
- **Math Requirement:**
- **one of the following courses**
  - College Algebra and Trigonometry** (MAT 115)\*
  - or Algebra and Trigonometry** (MAT 117)\*
  - or Elementary Statistics I** (MAT 120)\*
  - or Statistics with Elementary Algebra** (MAT 119)\*

\***Key courses** must be completed before the end of **Session I** of the semester in which you are applying for candidacy.

**Note:**  
Transferring Science courses SCB203 & SCB204 are valid for 7 years only.

Admission into the clinical phase is very competitive; top students are accepted each semester based on a GPA ranking system.

### **TEAS Exam is Not Required**

- This program no longer requires ATI TEAS Exam; effective Spring 2023 semester.

### **Additional Program Requirements**

- First Year Seminar for Health Sciences (HSF 90) must be completed before the end of session II of semester of candidacy application.
- All pre-clinical courses **MUST** be completed before the start of technical courses. Failure to complete all ten (10) courses before start of the program will forfeit the PTA Candidacy.
- Students **MUST** meet with PTA Faculty in person to obtain a candidacy application. Request an appointment at [HealthSci@lagcc.cuny.edu](mailto:HealthSci@lagcc.cuny.edu).

### **When/Where to apply for candidacy**

- Candidacy Application available Fall I (Clinical phase in Spring II) or Spring I (Clinical phase in Fall II).
- If eligible, apply for candidacy by the Fall Deadline October 17, 2025.
- Obtain and submit Candidacy Form to the Health Sciences Department: [HealthSci@lagcc.cuny.edu](mailto:HealthSci@lagcc.cuny.edu)
- Application code is PTA 000

**Note:** Successful candidates are scheduled to begin the Clinical Phase in session II of the following semester.

### **Advisement**

- For more information contact a member of the Health Science Department, at [HealthSci@lagcc.cuny.edu](mailto:HealthSci@lagcc.cuny.edu)