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INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION:

Accreditor: Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools
Carnegie Classification: Special Focus Institutions--Medical schools and medical centers

PHYSICAL THERAPY PROGRAM ACCREDITATION:

Date of Initial Accreditation: Bachelor's degree, June 1956 (no longer offered); Master's degree, May 1999 (no longer admitting students); DPT degree, March 2008

Current Accreditation Status: Accreditation

Next Visit: 2013

Five Year History: Accreditation

DEGREE CONFERRED: Master of Science in Physical Therapy; Doctor of Physical Therapy

GENERAL PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The professional program consists of 80 semester hours of sequenced, integrated didactic and clinical courses presented by 12 full-time faculty and numerous adjunct faculty. Didactic courses are offered on the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center Campus (OUHSC) in Oklahoma City and on the University of Oklahoma Schusterman Center campus in Tulsa. Graduates of the program are prepared to practice as generalists.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCES:

Students are involved in clinical practice during each semester of coursework, and they participate in four clinical education courses during the 3-year program. Clinical experiences are integrated with and complement the information students acquire in the didactic portion of the program, and their degree of involvement in the clinic reflects their current level of professional development. From the first experience in the clinic to the last, the courses develop students' abilities to analyze situations and make appropriate clinical decisions, use a client-centered approach that also addresses the health care system in which the student is practicing, and acquire or develop science-based rationale for their interventions. By graduation, students completed over 30 weeks of clinical experiences in all major areas of physical therapy practice.

ENROLLMENT:

One hundred sixty five students are enrolled in the physical therapy program.

ADMISSION:

Application deadline is February 1. An admission profile is developed for each applicant. Major components are: cumulative grade point average (GPA) and science GPA; performance on the GRE written essay; and demonstration of teaching, leadership, or work-related abilities. Course requirements for application to the Department of Physical Therapy include (must be successfully completed or be in the process of completing): a minimum of 90 semester-hours of coursework. Outstanding out-of-state students may apply.

TUITION, FEES AND FINANCIAL AID:

For the 2007-2008 year, tuition is \$2,992.50 per semester for residents and \$7,272 per semester for nonresidents. Residents and nonresidents pay approximately \$900 in additional fees. Books and other educational expenses range from \$2,500-\$3,000 total. Students are responsible for living and travel expenses during clinical assignments. For information, contact the Office of Financial Aid, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, PO Box 26901, Oklahoma City, OK 73190; 405/271-2345.

STUDENT LIFE:

The Department of Physical Therapy, professional and post-professional programs, is one of five departments within the College of Allied Health. The Department is located at the Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, along with 17 private and public institutes, agencies, and hospitals. The statewide Oklahoma High School for Science and Mathematics is located in the complex. The Health Sciences Center, near downtown Oklahoma City and the State Capital Complex, is 25 miles from the University of Oklahoma campus in Norman. Additionally, there are five junior colleges and four universities within a 30-mile radius. A 90-unit student housing complex is currently available. Students participate in student government of the college and OUHSC as well as in college and campus-wide social activities.

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