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Associate of Science in Physical Therapist Assistant

Your Journey as a PTA Starts Here

Why choose our program? Our **CAPTE-accredited** Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA) program offers **hands-on training** with **integrated field experiences** and **clinical rotations** that get you ready for real-world practice. We strive to prepare culturally aware PTAs able to deliver safe, ethical, and compassionate care. Students learn how to collaborate with patients, families, and other healthcare professionals to collect patient data, perform interventions, and adapt treatments to patient needs. Students also benefit from our **flexible learning options, complimentary transcript evaluations,** and **dedicated clinical coordination support.**

How you'll learn:
All general education and foundational courses are offered online, while professional phase courses are conducted on campus and through clinical practicum. Evening classes are available in Montgomery, Savannah, and West Palm Beach.

Hands-on training with field experiences & clinical rotations

CAPTE
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Flexible learning options

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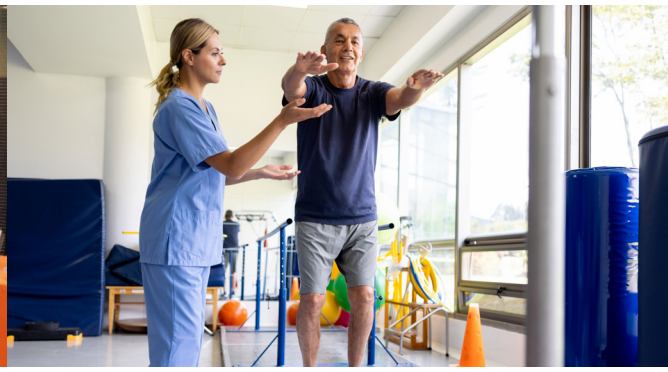
Austin, TX I Columbia, SC I Savannah, GA I Tampa, FL I West Palm Beach, FL

Build the skills to:

- Perform basic physical therapy interventions with proficiency
- Integrate patient data and clinical observations to conduct individualized interventions under the direction of a physical therapist
- Interact effectively and professionally with patients, peers, and instructors
- Make decisions related to PTA practice that follow legal and ethical principles
- Be sensitive to cultural and individual differences in patients and colleagues
- Use physical therapy assistive devices and technologies safely and effectively



Licensure

Our PTA program meets FL, GA, SC, TX, and VA licensure prerequisites. Passing the National Physical Therapy Exam (NPTE) is also required to become a licensed PTA.

CAPTE-accredited programs at multiple campuses

The Physical Therapist Assistant Program at South University, Austin, is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE), 3030 Potomac Ave., Suite 100, Alexandria, Virginia 22305-3085; telephone: 703-706-3245; email: accreditation@apta.org; website: https://www.capteonline.org. If needing to contact the program/institution directly, please call 512-516-8744 or email drcollins@southuniversity.edu.

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Richmond, VA

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Licensure

Our PTA program meets VA licensure prerequisites. Passing the National Physical Therapy Exam (NPTE) is also required to become a licensed PTA.

CAPTE-accredited program

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