

Doctorate in Physical Therapy (DPT) Early Contingent Admission (ECA)

This advanced specialization is designed for highly qualified students who have decided on a career in **physical therapy** and wish to attend the URI DPT program. Students successfully following this track will be allowed to apply to the URI DPT Program during their junior year. There is no guarantee of acceptance. If accepted, credits earned the first year in the physical therapy program will be used to complete their undergraduate degree in Kinesiology or Biology. Two routes for ECA have been identified: Kinesiology, and the BA in Biology. Both require students to have a 3.2 GPA at the completion of their freshman year, a 3.3 at the completion of their sophomore year, and a 3.4 GPA at the completion of their first semester junior year.

a. Kinesiology

The suggested course sequence is listed below. All courses need to be completed or in progress at time of application.

Fall Year 1 (18 cr)

CHM 103 Intro to Chem
CHM 105 Intro to Chem Lab
BIO 101 Biology I
PSY 113 Gen Psych (S)
WRT 104/105/106 (Ecw)
KIN 123 Health (S)
URI 101

Spring Year 1 (16 cr)

BIO 121 Human Anatomy
COM100 Communicat (EC)
PSY 232 Devel. Psych
Gen Ed (A)
MTH 111 Precalculus (MQ)

Fall Year 2 (17cr)

KIN 275 Intro ExSci
KIN 243 Prev & Care
BIO 242 Physiology
BIO 244 Physiology Lab
KIN 272 First Aid Instr.
Gen Ed (FC)
KIN 369 Tests & Measures

Spring Year 2 (17 cr)

PHY 111 Physics I (N)
PHY 185 Physics I Lab (N)
Gen Ed (L)
CHM 124 Organic Chem
CHM 126 Organic Chem Lab
KIN 278 Physical Activity, Cultural
Diversity and Society
KIN 325 Fitness Appr & Guidance

Fall Year 3 (14 cr)

PHY 112 Physics II (N)
PHY 186 Physics II Lab (N)
KIN 334 Ex Phys
KIN 335 Ex Phys Lab
Gen Ed (FC)
PSY 300 Quant. Meth Psych

Spring Year 3 (15 cr)

KIN 370 Kinesiology
KIN 420 Fitness for Chronic Disease
FSN 207 General Nutrition
Gen Ed (L)
Gen Ed (A)

b. Biology

The suggested course sequence for the BA in Biology is listed below. Electives in the BA in Biology allow for completion of a minor field of study; a possible course sequence for a minor in psychology is illustrated. Options for ECA also exist for the BS in Biology. All courses need to be completed or in progress at time of application.

Fall Year 1 (15 cr)

BIO 101 Biology I
CHM 103 Intro to Chem
CHM 105 Intro to Chem Lab
MTH 111 Precalculus (MQ)
WRT 104 or 105 (Ecw)
URI 101

Fall Year 2 (16 cr)

BIO 121 Human Anatomy
Elective (?PSY 254?)
PSY 232 Devel. Psych (S)
Gen Ed (L)
Gen Ed (FC)

Fall Year 3(17 cr)

BIO 334 Exercise Physiology
BIO 335 Exercise Physiology Lab
BIO botany course
PHY 112 Physics II (N)
PHY 186 Physics II lab (N)
PSY 300 Quant Meth Psych
Gen Ed (A)

Spring Year 1 (17 cr)

BIO 102 Biology II
CHM 124 Organic Chem
CHM 126 Org Chem Lab
PSY 113 Gen Psych (S)
Elective (?KIN 123?)
COM 100 Communicat. (EC)

Spring Year 2 (17 cr)

BIO 242 Human Physiology
BIO 244 Human Physiol Lab
Gen Ed (A)
PHY 111 Physics I (N)
PHY 185 Physics I Lab (N)
Elective (?PSY 335?)
Gen Ed (FC)

Spring Year 3 (16 cr)

BIO general course (C list)
Elective (?NFS 207?)
MIC 211 Microbiology
Gen Ed (L)
Elective (?PSY 361?)