

GENESEE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT PROGRAM

MISSION STATEMENT:

The Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA) program at Genesee Community College (GCC) is an integral part of the State University of New York system, which is committed to the motto "To learn – to search – to serve." The PTA program at GCC provides its students with a high quality, supportive learning environment which empowers them to grow personally and professionally. Students are recognized as being unique individuals and are encouraged to explore areas for further actualization of their aptitudes. The PTA program strives to give its students positive learning experiences that help them develop the self-esteem, skills and knowledge that will enable them to competently function as professional Physical Therapist Assistants in all aspects of a diverse and changing health care environment.

PROGRAM STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES (PSLO's) & OBJECTIVES:

PSLO #1 – All PTA Program graduates will be able to function effectively as Physical Therapist Assistants in diverse clinical settings.

Objective 1A – At least 85% of program graduates who take the licensing exam will pass the national PTA licensing exam within the first year after graduation.

Objective 1B – At least 90% of the employers who respond to the survey will rate our graduates as 'Acceptable' or higher on question #10 of the graduate surveys that are sent out 1 to 1 ½ years after graduation.

Objective 1C – At least 90% of our graduates who respond to the survey will rate themselves as 'Acceptable' or higher on question #10 of the graduate surveys that are sent out 1 to 1 ½ years after graduation.

(NOTE: Question # 10 asks how well the graduate works effectively under the supervision of a physical therapist in an ethical, legal, safe and effective manner.)

PSLO #2 – All PTA program graduates will demonstrate a strong sense of professionalism.

Objective 2A – At least 90% of the employers who respond to the survey will rate our graduates as 'Acceptable' or higher on questions #1 – 7 of the employer surveys that are sent out 1 to 1 ½ years after graduation.

Objective 2B – At least 90% of the graduates who respond to the survey will rate themselves as 'Acceptable' or higher on questions #1-7 of the graduate surveys that are sent out 1 to 1 ½ years after graduation. (NOTE: Questions #1-7 pertain to the following: punctuality, professional in appearance/manner, discretion in confidential matters, recognition of personal strengths/weaknesses, accepts and benefits from criticism, growth in self-direction and takes responsibility for self-development.)
Graduate Surveys

(NOTE: Questions #1-7 pertain to the following areas: punctuality, professional in appearance/manner, discretion in confidential matters, recognition of personal strengths/weaknesses, accepts and benefits from criticism, growth in self-direction and takes responsibility for self-development.)

PSLO #3 – All PTA program graduates will demonstrate effective written, oral and nonverbal communication skills with patients and their families, clients, health care providers, colleagues, third party payers and the public.

Objective 3A – At least 90% of the employers who respond to the survey will rate our graduates as 'Acceptable' or higher on question #9 of the graduate surveys that are sent out 1 to 1 ½ years after graduation.

Objective 3B – At least 90% of our graduates who respond to the survey will rate themselves as 'Acceptable' or higher on question #9 of the graduate surveys that are sent out 1 to 1 ½ years after graduation.

(NOTE: Question #9 asks how well the graduate demonstrates effective written, oral and nonverbal communication with patients and their families, health care providers, colleagues, and the public.)