

Master Syllabus

PTA 1106 - Introduction to Physical Therapy

Division: Health Sciences

Department: Rehabilitation Services

Credit Hour Total: 1.0

Lecture Hrs: 1.0

Date Revised: February 2014

Course Description:

Purpose, philosophy, history and development of the Physical Therapy (PT) profession, Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA) duties, PT/PTA relationship, essential functions, legal and ethical responsibilities and professional behaviors. Function of regulatory agencies, licensing bodies and professional associations.

General Education Outcomes:

- Written Communication Competency
- Critical Thinking/Problem Solving Competency
- Computer Literacy Competency
- Values/Citizenship/Community Competency

Course Outcomes:

Vocabulary and Writing Skills

Develop and utilize vocabulary and writing skills used with studying and life-long learning.

Assessment Method: Focus groups

Performance Criteria: Discussion questions -77% passage (online)

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams

Performance Criteria: 77% passage

Assessment Method: Performance appraisals

Performance Criteria: 100% participation in assignments and discussion questions (online),

Professional Behaviors

Identify essential functions, ethical and legal responsibilities and professional behaviors expected of the PTA.

Assessment Method: Focus groups

Performance Criteria: Discussion question -77% passage- Online only

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams

Performance Criteria: 77% passage

Clinical Problem Solving

Perform group interaction and communication in a professional manner.

Assessment Method: Focus groups

Performance Criteria: Discussion questions -77% passage- Online only

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams

Performance Criteria: 77% passage

Communication and Cultural Awareness

Identify individual and cultural differences across the patient/client population served.

Assessment Method: Focus groups

Performance Criteria: Discussion questions -77% passage- Online only

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams

Performance Criteria: 77% passage

Outline:

Physical Therapy (PT) Profession
PT Practice
Time Management
Critical Thinking
Stress Management
PT Treatment Diagnoses and Interventions