

**Physical Therapist Assistant**

- PTA Credential
- Minimum 15 Credit Hours of General Education



**A.A.S.**  
Maximum of 76 Credit Hours  
for State Funding

**Required Courses within Program**

<b><u>Support Courses*</u></b>	<b><u>min 15 credits:</u></b>
<b>Written Communication</b>	<b>3 credit hours</b>
<b>Human Anatomy &amp; Physiology</b>	<b>min 5 credit hours</b>
<b>Additional General Education Courses</b>	<b>min 7 credit hours</b>

\* Institutions may utilize existing course titles listed that adhere to the agreed upon course length, range, and competencies for the agreed upon Physical Therapist Assistant support courses.

Institutions will add additional general education courses as needed to comply with the 15-credit hour minimum for AAS degrees.

*Course list sequence has no implication on course scheduling by colleges. Institutions may add additional competencies based on local demand or institutional requirements.*

**Notes**

Specifics pertaining to the Physical Therapist Assistant program:

1. Program standards established by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) programmatic accreditation is mandatory.
2. Course competencies and standards align with the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) content matrix requirements, which all programs must adhere to.
3. Completers are eligible to sit for the National Physical Therapy Exam (NPTE) and obtainment of the PTA credential as required for licensure to practice in Kansas.
4. Obtainment of an Associate Degree is required.
5. The practice of Physical Therapist Assistant is regulated by the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts.
6. Articulation with secondary programs may only occur using Support Courses, not professional PTA coursework.