

Western Carolina University
Department of Physical Therapy
2009-2010 Guidelines on Applying to the Program

1. Submit an application through the Physical Therapy Central Application Service (PTCAS) that will require the following:
 - Official college/university transcripts from all previous coursework
 - Three letters of recommendation, including one from a physical therapist and one from a teacher qualified to evaluate academic success and potential for graduate study
 - Essay written on a topic specified by the PTCAS
 - Pre-requisite courses (listed per PTCAS guidelines)
 - Paid or volunteer experience with a licensed physical therapist in a variety of settings (listed per PTCAS guidelines)

2. Submit an application through the WCU Graduate School online application system, “Apply Yourself”
 - Complete the application form (general information)
 - You do not need to send recommendation letters with this application, but it is important that you fill in the recommendation names and contact information (or “Apply Yourself” will not allow you to submit the application)
 - No additional supplemental information needs to be submitted through this application process. All of this will be included in your PTCAS application and sent to the Department of Physical Therapy, Western Carolina University.

3. Send official scores for the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) General Test to Western Carolina University (Institution Code: R5897).

All application material must be submitted and received by February 1st, 2010.

Thank you for your interest in the WCU Physical Therapy Program!!!