

Shenandoah University and George Mason University

Doctor of Physical Therapy Program Admission Agreement

Shenandoah University will grant George Mason University students priority status admission to the Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program through this Agreement. The Division of Physical Therapy will grant admission to five George Mason students each year who meet all requirements outlined in the Agreement across both Loudoun and Winchester campuses. Admitted students must begin in the fall semester and enroll in full-time study.

Admission requirements

- A Bachelor of Science (BS) degree in Kinesiology conferred by George Mason University.
- A score of acceptable or above in a personal interview with an SU Division of Physical Therapy faculty member and current student.
- A minimum 3.2 cumulative undergraduate GPA.
- Applicants must also present a minimum 3.2 cumulative GPA in 36 credits of required DPT prerequisites determined by the SU DPT Admissions Committee. Course details are available at www.ptcas.org
- No more than 3 outstanding prerequisite courses at the time of application.
- A grade of "C" or above in each prerequisite course.
- Anatomy & Physiology courses must be less than 5 years old at the time of application. All other prerequisite courses must be less than 10 years old at the time of application.
- Advanced placement credit exams (AP, Cambridge, or IB) in human anatomy, human physiology, physics, and chemistry are not accepted.
- Acceptable Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores. Scores should be reported directly to Shenandoah University using the school code 1741.
- Nonnative English-speaking applicants, regardless of immigration status, must meet the SU English proficiency requirement. Details for submission of official Duolingo, IELTS, PTE, or TOEFL scores are available at www.su.edu/admissions

Application Process

Complete and submit an application through the Physical Therapist Centralized Application Service (PTCAS) at www.ptcas.org by the Shenandoah University deadline. Applicants are responsible for meeting all current PTCAS and Shenandoah University-specific requirements as outlined in the application portal.

- Shenandoah University Division of Physical Therapy requires that you designate the following individuals as evaluators for Letters of Recommendation:
 - One from a licensed PT
 - One from an academic professor at George Mason University.

Admission Committee Review

The Admission Committee makes all decisions for admission into the Doctorate in Physical Therapy program. If more than five students meet the requirements outlined in this Agreement for priority status admission, the Admission Committee will rank-order all priority applicants based on consideration of the complete set of application materials and the evaluations from the admission interview. The Committee will consider the additional George Mason students as part of the regular decision review process.

The Admission Committee makes final decisions after reviewing all application materials and interview evaluations. Applicants who complete an interview will receive written notification of the Committee's decision within 30 days of their visit.

Shenandoah University reserves the right to deny admission to students who have felony convictions, as well as students who have been academically or non-academically suspended from previous institutions.

Terms of the Agreement

This Agreement will go into effect for those George Mason students applying to the Shenandoah University DPT program in 2026 for Fall 2027 enrollment.

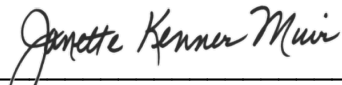
The Agreement's initial term shall be for three academic (3) years, ending with the conclusion of the spring 2030 semester. The Agreement shall automatically renew for successive one (1) year periods unless terminated by either party as set forth below.

Either party may terminate this Agreement by providing written notice to the other party of an intention to terminate. Such a notice will be adequate only if given 120 days before the intended termination date. Upon termination, the terms of the Agreement contained herein will remain in effect for a maximum of 2 years.

Approved



Karen Abraham, Ph.D.
Provost
Shenandoah University
Date



Janette Kenner Muir, Ph.D.
Vice Provost of Academic Affairs
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Date 07/17/2026