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SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL THERAPY CERTIFICATE IN ADVANCED GERIATRIC PHYSICAL THERAPY

The purposes of this Certificate are to (a) advance and validate the educational and clinical foundation of physical therapists choosing to practice primarily with older adults, (b) provide a means through formal higher education to address self-identified weaknesses in specialized knowledge and/or skills, and (c) assist prospective students to move from novice or intermediate practice in geriatric physical therapy toward expert and/or specialist practice.

The program of study requires the completion of 12 credits (4 courses), and students determine their individual plan in collaboration with a faculty member and based upon previous or concurrent experiences. The program contains on-line and on-site course offerings, and the student may design a plan of study consisting of courses presented entirely with on-line technology. Most courses are offered on a 2- to 3-year rotation schedule. A Graduate Certificate will be awarded upon satisfactory completion of the four courses.

Course requirements for the Certificate in Advanced Geriatric Physical Therapy

- PT 6513:** Topics in Evidence-Based Practice: (on-line every summer)
- PT 5563:** Women's Health: Mid-life and Beyond: (on-line)
- PT 6403:** Neuromuscular Integration & Application: (on-line and 2 weekends onsite)
- PT 5553:** Principles of Geriatric Physical Therapy II (Biological Aging): (on-line)
- PT 5203:** Orthopedic Eval. & Treatment of the Geriatric Client: (on-line & 1 Saturday on-site)
- PT 6333:** Health Care Delivery Systems: (on-line and 1 day at state capitol)
- PT 5513:** Principles of Geriatric Physical Therapy I (Psychosocial Aging)
- PT 6103:** Advanced Practicum in Physical Therapy (may be on-line or on-site course)
- PT 6913:** Independent Study: PT Education Topics (may be on-line or on-site course)

More Information

Additional program information and admission requirements can be found at <http://www.twu.edu/pt/> or contact:

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