

GateWay Community College
Physical Therapist Assistant Program
Graduation Rate, Employment Rate, Pass Rate on NPTE
November 2021

1. Graduation Rate

The cumulative graduation rate for students admitted to the Physical Therapist Assisting Program is listed below. The rate is based on students who completed all program requirements within 150% of the normal time to complete the program. Students that withdrew or withdrawn from the program due to non-academic reasons are not included in the graduation rate.

Day Program

Program start in August 2017 – graduation rate = 91/67% (22/24)

Program Start in August 2018 – graduation rate = 100% (24/24)

Two year average = 95.83% (46/48)

Hybrid/Weekend Program

Program start in May 2018 – graduation rate = 73.33% (15/17)

Program start in May 2019 – graduation rate = 85.71% (12/14)

Two year average = 87.10% (27/31)

2. Employment Rate

The employment rate for graduates of the Physical Therapist Assistant Program is listed below. The employment rate is based on graduates reporting working in either a full-time or part-time position as a physical therapist assistant nine months after graduation.

Day Program

Class of 2019 = 100% (14 out of 22 graduates responding)

Class of 2020 = 100% (15 out of 24 graduates responding)

Two year average = 100%

Hybrid/Weekend Program

Class of 2019 = 100% (9 of 15 graduates reporting)

Class of 2020 = 100% (8 of 12 graduates reporting)

Two year average = 100%

3. *Pass Rate for the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) for Physical Therapist Assistants

To be licensed or certified as a physical therapist assistant many states, including Arizona, require that an individual pass the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) for Physical Therapist Assistants. The first time and cumulative pass rates (includes students who have required more than one attempt to pass the examination) are as follows:

Day Program Class of 2019 – First time pass rate = 84.4% (19/22)

Day Program Class of 2019 – Ultimate Pass Rate = 95.5% (21/22)

Day Program Class of 2020 – First Time Pass Rate = 80.8% (21/26)

Day Program Class of 2020 – Ultimate Pass Rate = 96.2% (25/26)

Two Year Cumulative Average for 2019-2020 for the Day Program for the Ultimate Pass Rate = 95.8% (46/48)

Hybrid Weekend Class of 2019 – First Time Pass Rate = 80.0% (12/15)

Hybrid Weekend Class of 2019 – Ultimate Pass Rate = 93.3% (14/15)

Hybrid Weekend Class of 2020 – First Time Pass Rate = 100% (12/12)

Hybrid Weekend Class of 2020 – Ultimate Pass Rate = 100% (12/12)

Two Year Cumulative Average for 2019-2020 for the Hybrid/Weekend Program for the Ultimate Pass Rate = 96.3% (26/27)

*Source: Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy, www.fsbpt.org.