

2016 Admission Checklist

1. **Select ONE** of the following options.

- A. To **ACCEPT** the offer of admission, please **submit the Enrollment Form** included in your packet. Accepting the offer of admission requires that you submit a **\$500 non-refundable deposit**. From your deposit \$400 will be applied toward DPT tuition and \$100 will be applied toward the Enrollment Fee. <http://www.umaryland.edu/media/umb/af/sa/mpt.pdf>. **Your deadline for accepting the offer of admission and submitting the deposit is noted on the Enrollment Form.**

IMPORTANT NOTE: After accepting the offer of admission and submitting the \$500 non-refundable deposit, this department will regularly monitor the PTCAS Competing Offers Accepted List. If your name appears on this list, it confirms that you have accepted the offer of admission at another DPT program. In this case, your offer of admission to PTRS will be revoked and your space in the enter class will be cancelled.

- B. To **DEFER** your response to the offer of admission, please **submit the Defer Response Form**. If you are not able to respond to the offer of admission by the required deadline, you may opt to place your name on the Defer Response Waiting List for Enrollment. Being placed on the Waiting List does not guarantee that space to enroll in the entering class will ultimately be available. **Your deadline for selecting the option to defer your response to the offer of admission is noted on the Defer Response Form.**
- C. To **DECLINE** the offer of admission, please send an email with a brief explanation to Angel Jackson: ajackson@som.umaryland.edu. Your feedback, regarding the application process and interview day, is welcome.

2. **DPT Student Handbook:** http://pt.umaryland.edu/dpt_student_handbook.asp

Read the Essential Requirements for Admission, Advancement and Graduation.

http://pt.umaryland.edu/dpt_student_handbook.asp#essential

The Department of Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Science at the University of Maryland School of Medicine administers a rigorous program in preparation for a physical therapy career. The demands placed on the student during their time in the curriculum correspond to the expectations of entry-level physical therapists. These demands encompass the following areas: observational, communicative, psychomotor, cognitive and affective behavioral skills.

As per UMSOM policy, “any student who is not yet a matriculant must make requests for accommodation of disabilities within one week after accepting admission to the Department. Any matriculating student who becomes aware of a disability requiring accommodation, or of need for accommodation of a previously known disability, must request the accommodation as soon as the need for accommodation has been identified.” <http://medschool.umaryland.edu/osa/handbook/req.asp>

Please contact the office via the on-line form or email: <http://www.umaryland.edu/disabilityservices>

Deborah Levi – Director, Office of Educational Support and Disability Services

SMC Campus Center

621 W. Lombard Street, Room 317

Baltimore, MD 21201

410-706-5889 - dlevi@umaryland.edu

Disability Disclosure and Reasonable Accommodations Form:

http://www.umaryland.edu/disabilityservices/for_students/request_accommodation.html

3. **Submit your Report of Medical History Form.** *The UMB Office of Student and Employee Health is currently revising the process for submission of this document. Details will be provided if you accept the offer of admission.*
4. **Apply for Financial Aid** - submit the FAFSA: www.fafsa.ed.gov, **NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 1.**
 - Include the University of Maryland Title IV code on your FAFSA: 002104
 - Confirm that you would like to be considered for grants, loans and work study funds.

The university Office of Student Financial Assistance and Education can answer questions concerning the federal aid process.

- Website: www.umaryland.edu/fin/
- Phone: (410) 706-7347 or TTY/Voice (800) 735-2258
- E-mail: aidtalk@umaryland.edu
- After you have filed the FAFSA, check your e-mail account regularly. All communications and award notifications will be sent to the email address you provided when completing the UMB Supplemental Form. Please respond promptly to all communications.

Viewed on the Financial Aid website.

Click on: School Specific Aid Information → Physical Therapy → Prospective Students

- Budget (tuition, fees, room, board and expenses)
- Award eligibility
- A typical financial aid award package
- How awards are processed

After submitting the FAFSA, direct all question regarding the financial aid awarding process to:

Peggy Buerhaus

Counselor, UMB Office of Student Financial Assistance and Education

mbuerhau@umaryland.edu

(410) 706-2152

Social Security Number: Your SSN, if provided on the UMB Supplemental Form, is not used as a student ID number. It is needed to match your FAFSA information with your admission record to complete the financial aid awarding process.

If you did not include your SSN on the UMB Supplemental Form, the awarding of financial aid may be delayed until your FAFSA information can be matched with your admission record.

5. **GI Bill Benefits:** Apply for your benefits via this website <http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/apply.asp>
Direct all questions regarding use of GI Bill Benefits to: Joyce Johnson – jjohnson@som.umaryland.edu.
The University of Maryland Baltimore does do not participate in the Yellow Ribbon Program.

6. Application for In-state Classification.

The determination of Maryland residency for tuition purposes is made by the UMB Office of Records and Registration. You must complete the Application for In-state Classification to determine your eligibility for in-state tuition.

View the requirements for residency: <http://www.umaryland.edu/registrar/residency/>

Print Application: <https://www.umaryland.edu/registrar/residency/application/>

Return your form to:

Joyce Johnson
University of Maryland
PTRS
100 Penn Street
Baltimore, MD 21201

7. Fall 2015 Transcript

Successfully complete all outstanding requirements and/or degree requirements prior to the start of the DPT program. If you are enrolled in course work for the Fall 2015 semester, please send an official transcript to PTCAS upon completion of this work. <http://www.ptcas.org/UpdatingFallCourses>

8. Spring 2016 Transcript

If enrolled in required pre-requisite courses or if completing bachelor's degree course work for the spring semester, please send an official transcript directly to this department upon completion of the term.

9. Mark Your Calendar! Details are included in your admission packet.

- **Accepted Students' Day** - Friday, May 6, 2016 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Attendance is strongly encouraged. All students who are admitted to the DPT program are invited to attend and will have the opportunity to meet the other students who have been selected for admission.

This is the perfect time to find a new roommate, as well as make new friends! While you are in the area it's a great time to tour the campus housing facilities or area apartments.

Representatives from various campus departments will be available to assist you in making a smooth transition into the DPT program.

- **Orientation** - Tuesday, May 31 and Wednesday, June 1, 2016 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Attendance is mandatory. Orientation is a 2-day event. On Tuesday, the class will participate in a ropes-and-initiative course at the Outdoor Education Center on the campus of the University of Maryland College Park. This activity is designed to allow the new students to quickly breakdown barriers, to get to know their fellow classmates, build self-esteem and develop group cohesion.

On Wednesday, enrolling students will finalize all the details needed to begin their studies in the DPT program. Purchase your parking permit, create your living expenses budget with the help of the financial aid office and prepare for the challenges of PT school!

10. **CPR and First Aid:** Provide upon enrollment.

- CPR certification must include infant, child and adult resuscitation.
- Courses delivered solely via a web-based format ARE NOT acceptable.
- “Blended” format courses are acceptable: on-line instruction and in-person skills practice and testing.

Certifications must be valid on the first day of class and must remain active throughout your enrollment in the DPT program.

American Red Cross: <http://www.redcross.org/lp/take-a-class>

Select your location

Select a class/category: First Aid/CPR/AED for lay responders

Class Title: Adult and Pediatric First Aid/CPR/AED for lay responders

OR

American Heart Association: www.heart.org/HEARTORG

CPR & ECC

Heartsaver First Aid CPR AED

11. **Criminal Background Check Report:** Select part-time and full-time internship facilities will require submission of an acceptable criminal background check, drug screen and/or fingerprinting as condition of acceptance for clinical placement. Please review the Criminal Background Check Report for: Physical Therapist Education Programs, posted on the website of the American Physical Therapy Association.

www.apta.org/uploadedFiles/APTAorg/Educators/Curriculum_Resources/APTA/CriminalBackgroundCheckforPTPrograms.pdf