The Department of Physical Therapy, as part of the College of Health and Human Service’s Center for Health Professions in Folsom Hall, offers students a doctoral-level program that emphasizes the art and the science of evidence-based physical therapy practice. Faculty guide students through hands-on experiential learning in technology-rich classrooms and laboratories. Students participate in faculty-mentored community clinics and research activities, resulting in graduates who are skilled and knowledgeable physical therapists.
Building the future of physical therapy in California

The College of Health and Human Services is a leader in high-quality, hands-on education addressing the growing need for health care professionals in the region and beyond. With the move of the Department of Physical Therapy to Folsom Hall, students and faculty will work together in facilities featuring the latest equipment and technology, providing a rich learning environment.

Like many of Sacramento State’s programs, students benefit greatly from alumni, friends of the University and companies who provide the professional connections, internships and philanthropy that elevate the educational experience. Private support will enhance the University’s plans to create an interactive teaching and research environment that will:

- create educational scenarios that reflect today’s high-tech work environments
- give faculty new ways to demonstrate techniques
- help students prepare for seamless classroom-to-career transition

The Department of Physical Therapy joins the School of Nursing in Folsom Hall, building upon the cornerstone for the College’s Center for Health Professions. The new space—a 250 percent increase in dedicated teaching and research space for a total area of 9,208 square feet—parallels the Department of Physical Therapy’s extension of scope following the introduction of the Doctorate of Physical Therapy program in Fall 2012. As a result, thousands of patients throughout California will be cared for by thoroughly-prepared and well-rounded Sacramento State graduates.

PHYSICAL THERAPY BY THE NUMBERS*

- Highly-selective enrollment limited to 32 incoming students each year
- Graduation rate: 97 percent
- Ultimate licensure pass rate: 97 percent
- Employment rate: 100 percent

*These numbers are based on the last three years of PT program student cohorts.
About the Doctor of Physical Therapy Program

Sacramento State’s physical therapy students earn a Doctorate in Physical Therapy in a three-year program dedicated to graduating professional, evidence-informed physical therapists who have the knowledge and skills to provide patient care in any practice environment.

The program’s curriculum provides a foundation in the science and art of physical therapy—one that engages students in clinical reasoning through problem-solving within the context of patient cases, both actual and simulated. Students also complete 36 weeks of full-time internships at three locations to learn-by-doing in varied practice settings.

The Sac State program is fully accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education and graduates are eligible to take the national licensure examination.

How you can partner with the Department of Physical Therapy

- Establish a scholarship so students can focus on their studies
- Offer internships to provide students clinical work experience
- Invest in the department’s new clinical laboratory spaces in Folsom Hall
- Provide professional development funds for faculty and students to further their knowledge outside the classroom through research or at conferences
- Support the physical therapy program through a gift in your will or trust

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